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A gift for Resthaven's birthday

This year, Resthaven celebrates 75 years of service to older South Australians

'Over the years, many things have changed. One thing that hasn't, is our commitment to supporting older people and their carers,' Resthaven Chief Executive Officer, Richard Hearn, affirmed.

'Resthaven will celebrate our milestone 75th birthday with a number of events and activities throughout the year.'

'In addition to the internal events at our residential and community service locations in metropolitan and regional South Australia, the Resthaven Board has specifically approved a number of external celebrations and activities within our communities of interest.'

'I am delighted that one of these is a special 75th Anniversary Grants Program. Grants of up to \$5000 are available to eligible South Australian community groups and organisations.'

'Resthaven's 75th Anniversary "Celebrating Older People" Grant is designed to fund initiatives that support communities within which Resthaven services are linked and that promote positive images and messages about ageing and older people, their carers and volunteers.'

'Grants will be considered for programs that improve the physical, mental and social well being of older people, their carers and volunteers, highlight relevant issues and improve access to information that will improve independence, or celebrate the wisdom and contribution of older people to society.'

'Celebrating and affirming that older people are valued and respected is very important, as is the affirming the good and essential work of staff, volunteers, carers and family members.'

For details on this initiative to support small organisations who serve older people, visit our website, 'What's On' page http://www.resthaven.asn.au/linked_documents/resthaven_grant_application_form.pdf

Those of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds are particularly welcome to apply.

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Applications close 5pm Monday 21st May 2010

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