



# MEDIA RELEASE

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## **Redlands locals can get help at home with Vinnies Home Assist Secure.**

If you are over 60 or have a disability and live in the Redlands, Vinnies may be able to help you stay safe and secure in your home through its Home Assist Secure program.

Home Assist Secure Redlands Program Coordinator Tom Kann said the service helps with everyday tasks in and around the home which may be difficult for people to undertake safely themselves or because technical expertise is required.

“We can help you make informed decisions on maintaining your home as well as help feel safer about staying in your home,” he said.

“If eligible you may receive a financial contribution towards labour costs for minor home maintenance relating to your health, safety or security.

“You can also be confident about the tradespeople doing the work as we only engage reputable tradespeople who meet the legislative requirements to undertake the work.”

The program, funded by the Queensland Government and administered by the Department of Housing and Public Works, provides safety related information, referrals and subsidised assistance to eligible Queenslanders who are unable to pay for or undertake maintenance services to their home.

Eligibility may also depend on whether a person has the ability to make use of alternative forms of assistance, such as the Commonwealth Home Support Program, Queensland Community Care Services, or the Department of Veteran Affairs, but Mr Kann urged locals to touch base to learn more.

“Please do not hesitate to give us a call on 3821 6590 and we can quickly check your eligibility and let you know if you are eligible,” he said.

“In circumstances where we are unable to assist you under the program, we will connect you with another service which can.”

Home Assist Secure Redlands is located at Shop 6, 124 Queen Street Cleveland.

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