

# Albury Wodonga Carers' Accommodation Centre

A \$5,000,000 Project for the Region



## Our \$2,500,000 Regional Community Appeal Update July 2011

Our community appeal finished well at the close of the financial year last month. We had set a goal of raising \$500,000 by June 30<sup>th</sup> – **we finished on \$697,210!**

As well, the New South Wales Health Department announced a grant of \$750,000 which joins the Federal grant of \$1,500,000 – and the community fundraising - to show a total of almost \$3,000,000 now committed to the project.

Marvellous! We are committed to opening Stage 1 (20 beds) late next year.

The Commercial Club of Albury have committed \$50,000 to the Centre which is a major boost. And, of course, our project partners – the Rotary Club of Albury North, Zonta Club of Albury Wodonga and Lions District 201V6 – have all played a major role in our progress to date.

Rotary Albury Foundation has put in \$100,000, Rotary Albury North \$55,000, Lions Clubs \$40,000, Lions Albury and Lions Lavington \$25,000 each and more clubs are coming on board every month.

We have also received personal, family donations including one of \$50,000 and several of \$25,000. Such generosity and community spirit is truly amazing.

In the coming months we will be pursuing a drive for major gifts (\$10,000/\$25,000/\$50,000 and upwards) throughout Albury Wodonga and across the region.

Organisationally, we are pleased to announce that **Mr Peter Drummond** has accepted the role of Appeal Chair and **Mr Ian Crossley** now chairs the Community Fundraising Committee.

The project is managed by the **Fight Cancer Foundation** through Managing Director, **Eric Wright**. A local Steering Committee is guiding the initial process and comprises: **Alf Armstrong** (Chair), **Rob Simmons**, **Peter Drummond** and **Jozette Dellemain** from Rotary Albury North; **Cathy Kearns**, **Doris Razeng**, **Maddy Dobson** and **Tonia Timmermans** from Zonta Club Albury Wodonga and **Brenda Henderson** (District Governor), **Andy Mojsiewicz** and **David Skinner** from Lions District 201V6. The recently deceased **Barry Bennet** of Rotary was a valuable member, now sadly missed.

So. We are on our way, we are looking for generous and committed women and men to join our fundraising team and the next few months promise to be exciting and productive.

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