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## MEDIA RELEASE

### Coalition Government Delivering on Phoenix House Promise for King Island

The Coalition Government has delivered on another by-election commitment, this time to King Island with \$120,000 for the Phoenix Community Complex – Stage Two.

Liberal Senator for Tasmania Richard Colbeck said the upgrade to the facilities for the Island's Community Centre will provide a safe, friendly meeting place for the local community.

**Senator Colbeck:** "The Liberal Party is the only Party who is delivering our by-election commitments to the people of West and North West Tasmania.

"King Island's Phoenix House does extraordinary work in the local community and \$120,000 to upgrade their facilities recognises the strong value locals place on their services.

"The Coalition Government is proudly committed to its role in backing the work of volunteers, particularly in remote areas like King Island, where they form the backbone of the local community.

"The consolidation of Phoenix House, including its Men's Shed, Community Centre and community garden will bring King Islanders from all walks of life together.

"Like similar community centres across Australia, the King Island Phoenix House Community Centre will offer support to locals who need a bit of space and some friendly, easy-going company.

"It will also bring the full array of community services available to more people and in a more accessible way."

"The Men's Shed, for example, is extremely important because men are often the last ones to make their health and wellbeing a priority and it's imperative that we do what we can to ensure they get the support they need and deserve.

"The Coalition Government delivered \$125,000 for Stage One of the Phoenix House and the delivery of Stage Two funding will now finish the project.

"By supporting a strong economy the Coalition Government is able to deliver on its election promises and the essential services Tasmanians rely on."

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