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To Our Supportive Community,

At the Tailem Bend Community Centre (TBCC), we believe in the power of community, connection, and compassion. For over three decades, we have stood beside those doing it tough—offering a safe space, a warm meal, a listening ear, and transport to vital services. Thanks to people like you, we've made a real difference in the lives of thousands.

Now, we invite you to be part of something truly transformational.

## The Station Master House Project: Preserving History, Creating Hope

Located in the heart of Tailem Bend, the historic Station Master's House is a treasured piece of our community's railway heritage. But its true potential lies ahead.

With your support, we're transforming this iconic building into a vibrant community hub—designed to support vulnerable individuals, offer emergency relief, run life-skill programs, and host outreach events that reduce loneliness, hunger, and hardship across the Murraylands.

But we need your help to make it happen.

We've secured the site and removed asbestos. Now, we're working to raise the final funds needed to bring this vision to life. Every donation—no matter the size—will help fast-track our ability to support more people, sooner.

## How You Can Make a Difference

We have several urgent project needs, including:

- \$48,500 for a **new roof** to protect the building and enable occupancy
- \$36,490 for **8-bay garages** to safely house our community transport fleet
- \$17,710 for a pavilion with an outdoor kitchen, supporting those sleeping rough
- \$13,939.20 to concrete the pavilion, improving accessibility and use
- \$10,550 for ducted air-conditioning, keeping the space comfortable year-round
- \$4,950 to **concrete the veranda**, ensuring safety for visitors
- \$2,500 to replace the hot water system, providing hot showers and hygiene

All donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. As a registered Public Benevolent Institution with Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status and nationally recognised Australian Service Excellence Standards (ASES) Award Level accreditation, you can give with confidence, knowing your support goes exactly where it's needed most.

"I never thought I'd end up homeless. But when I did, TBCC gave me more than food or a bed—they reminded me I mattered. I now have a job, a safe place, and hope for the future."

— Community Member supported by TBCC, 2024

We'd be honoured to walk this journey with you.

To donate, visit <a href="https://www.tbcc.org.au/about/donations/">https://www.tbcc.org.au/about/donations/</a> If you'd like to discuss a major contribution or partnership, please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

On behalf of everyone at TBCC—our volunteers, staff, and the people we serve—thank you for believing in the power of community.

Thank you for your time and continued support of the community. For any further inquiries or to discuss this matter in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact TBCC CEO, Tammy Shepherd, at 08 8572 3513 or via email at <a href="mailto:ceo@tbcc.org.au">ceo@tbcc.org.au</a>

Yours sincerely,

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