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GRANTS AVAILABLE IN CASTLE HILL ELECTORATE TO CELEBRATE NSW GRANDPARENTS DAY

Members for Castle Hill Ray Williams today encouraged local organisations to celebrate the valuable contribution grandparents and older people make in the Castle Hill community, by applying for funding available under the NSW Government's Grandparents Day event grants program.

This program will enable community organisations, small businesses and local councils to host events that celebrate grandparents and older people for NSW Grandparents Day on Sunday 29 October 2017.

"Grandparents play a significant role in the home and the community, and this extra funding is the NSW Government's way of thanking them for their hard work," Mr Williams said.

"This is the perfect time to show our recognition and support for grandparents and older people in Castle Hill for the amazing role they play in our lives." Said Mr Williams. "I urge everyone in Castle Hill to connect across generations and celebrate grandparents and older people by organising an event in the community."

Funding for local events on Grandparents Day will be doubled to \$200,000 this year as part of the NSW Government's continued commitment to seniors across the state.

Organisations are encouraged to plan NSW Grandparents Day events to focus on activities that help older people, regardless of their age or ability, stay connected and contribute to their communities.

For the first time, there are three funding categories available this year through the grants program, offering:

- Tier 1 Grants of up to \$1,000 for small scale local events or activities targeted at community organisations and schools.
- Tier 2 Grants from \$1,001 to \$5,000 for local community events.
- Tier 3 Grants from \$5,001 to 10,000 for large scale community events targeted at local councils in partnership with organisations and groups.

Applications for the NSW Grandparents Day event grants program are now open and will close at 5.00pm on Friday 14 July 2017. For more information on how to apply visit www.grandparentsday.nsw.gov.au

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