

## The Hon Ray Williams MP

Member for Castle Hill Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier and Western Sydney

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## **CELEBRATING AND INVESTING IN SENIORS**

Seniors across Castle Hill will benefit from a cash boost to the 2020 NSW Seniors Festival, encouraging them to get active, socialise, learn new skills and connect with services.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP announced a total of \$200,000 is available for local organisations helping them to deliver events that celebrate seniors.

"The NSW Seniors Festival is growing from strength to strength and celebrates the vital contributions seniors make to the community." Mr Williams said.

"Festival events are designed to get our seniors involved in art courses, active sports, playing music, tapping into technology, and travel."

"We are always looking to support events that offer unique and engaging activities. We love bringing younger and older generations together with these innovative projects that promote healthy ageing."

Minister for Seniors John Sidoti said the NSW Seniors Festival is the largest of its type in the Southern Hemisphere and has been running for more than 61 years.

"The grants program ensures seniors from areas right across the state have the opportunity to participate in the festival," Mr Sidoti said.

"Providing funding to a range of organisations means we can reach a broad range of individuals, including those from regional and remote areas, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and Aboriginal communities."

The 2020 NSW Seniors Festival wall take place from Wednesday, 12 February – Sunday, 23 February 2020.

Applications should be submitted online between Monday, 24 June 2019 and midnight on Friday, 9 August 2019 at

www.seniorsfestival.nsw.gov.au/events/nsw-seniors-festival-grants

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