



Media Release

The Hon Greg Hunt MP

Federal Member for Flinders
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Paying homage to our war heroes

The Australian Army Training Team Vietnam Association Victoria Branch will create a permanent interactive display at the National Vietnam Veterans Museum on Phillip Island thanks to a Commonwealth Government grant.

“It is my pleasure to congratulate the Australian Army Training Team Vietnam Association Victoria Branch on receiving \$2,464 from the Government’s *Saluting their Service* grants,” Flinders MP Greg Hunt said.

“These grants will contribute to telling the story of those Australians who served our nation in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations as we commemorate the Centenary of ANZAC,” Mr Hunt said.

Australian Army Training Team Vietnam Association Victoria Branch secretary Bruce Davies said the display would provide new insight into Australia’s part in Vietnam.

“The display will tell the story of Australian advisers deployed to Vietnam between 1962 and 1972,” Mr Davies said.

“We are very pleased to receive this grant as it will allow us to finish off the final production stages of the display.”

“There were four Victoria Cross medals awarded from this involvement, which highlights the significant role we played in the combat.”

Mr Hunt said the grants presented an opportunity for community groups to honour war heroes in a way that was fitting to the local area.

“The Australian Government has recently awarded more than \$274,000 in grant funding to support projects of national significance that will honour the service and sacrifice of Australia’s servicemen and women,” Mr Hunt said.

“Many of the projects awarded through the *Saluting their Service* grants program will become permanent tributes to those who served our country.”

Local community and ex-service organisations interested in applying for future grant funding rounds should visit www.dva.gov.au/grants or phone 133 254

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