

# Ageing



Supporting people to experience the benefits of living longer and contribute to and be included in their communities.



## 2017-18 Budget Highlights

# \$7 million

TO CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT THE NSW AGEING STRATEGY 2016-2020 which includes the **Elder Abuse Helpline and Resource Unit**, **Tech Savvy Seniors** and the **NSW Seniors Card**.



**ELDER ABUSE HELPLINE AND RESOURCE UNIT** provides information, support and referrals relating to the abuse of older people living in the community across NSW.



**TECH SAVVY SENIORS** provides free or low-cost training through a network of community colleges and libraries to help seniors learn to use computers, tablets and smartphones.



The **SENIORS CARD** program encourages older people to enjoy an active and healthy retirement. **Currently NSW Seniors Card has more than 1.5 million members and over 5,600 participating businesses.**



# Funded projects from the Liveable Communities Grants Program include:

The **GOOD NEIGHBOUR PROJECT**, harnessing the value, knowledge, experience and capacity of older volunteers and older refugees in the community by matching them with newly arrived refugees to assist them in their settlement journey.

An open-air 'pop up' **VILLAGE CAFÉ**, created by Penrith City Council offering older members of the St Mary's community an opportunity to connect with each other, access fresh produce and explore ways of improving their wellbeing as individuals and as a community.

The Playgroup Association of NSW, which will pilot and establish a model of **COMMUNITY LED INTERGENERATIONAL PLAYGROUPS** in aged care facilities that aim to have three generations engage and participate in activities together rather than just attend alongside each other.

## NSW Ageing Strategy 2016–2020

**Our ageing population is changing life in NSW.** Our economy, labour market, healthcare and other essential services, and the fabric of our communities are evolving.



**The NSW Ageing Strategy 2016–2020** is the NSW Government's commitment to respond to the opportunities and challenges of our ageing population.



**Our vision** is that people in NSW experience the benefits of living longer and enjoy opportunities to participate in, contribute to and be included in their communities.



### WE HAVE FIVE PRIORITY AREAS:

- 1 Health and wellbeing
- 2 Working and retiring
- 3 Housing choices
- 4 Getting around
- 5 Inclusive communities