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Guy Barnett, Minister for Veterans' Affairs

Legacy Week

Tasmanians are encouraged to give generously during Legacy Week to help the families of our incapacitated and deceased Veterans.

Legacy assists more than 60,000 Australians by providing services to families suffering after the injury or death of a spouse or parent, during or after their defence force service.

In Tasmania, Legacy Hobart assists 949 widows and 25 children, and in the North, Launceston Legacy supports 1,100 widows and seven children.

Legacy's work illustrates the value of volunteers to community members and the importance of supporting families through bereavement.

Legacy's origins can be traced to Hobart, when in 1923, Major Sir John Gellibrand founded the Remembrance Club to encourage returned servicemen in business.

The first official Legacy Week was held in 1942.