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Guy Barnett, Minister for Veterans' Affairs

Teddy Sheean grants supporting our veterans

Twelve organisations from across Tasmania will receive a total of almost \$55,000 funding from the second round of the 2018-19 Teddy Sheean Memorial Grants Program.

The Teddy Sheean Memorial Grants Program was established as a tribute to the bravery and sacrifice made by Tasmanian sailor Edward 'Teddy' Sheean, who gave his life for his country during a battle in 1942 off the coast of East Timor.

The Grants Program honours Teddy Sheean as a representative of the many Tasmanians who selflessly gave their lives for others in the defence of this country.

Funding was available for small infrastructure repairs and maintenance, and/or equipment purchase for RSLs throughout Tasmania, as well as war memorial construction, repair and maintenance.

Some of the projects to receive funding include:

- Westbury RSL Sub Branch – \$9,000 to replace function room flooring;
- Mates4Mates - \$4,455 toward rehabilitation exercise equipment;
- Snug Primary School – \$4,000 to restore surrounding areas of the Snug War Memorial;
and
- Zeehan RSL Sub Branch Inc – \$4,638 to upgrade refrigeration equipment.

The Teddy Sheean Memorial Grants Program comes as part of the Government's \$750,000 policy to support veterans.

The Hodgman Liberal Government recognises the valuable contribution of Tasmania's service men and women and is committed to supporting the serving and ex-service community in Tasmania. A full list of the successful applicants will be available on the Communities Tasmania website at www.communities.tas.gov.au/csr