

Construction of Additional Two Bedroom Units

Batlow Senior Citizens Association

Snowy Valleys

Funding requested: \$600,000

Summary: The Batlow Senior Citizen Village Association Inc. is a locally owned, not-for-profit organisation managed by a dedicated committee of experienced volunteers. The Village currently provides twelve single-bedroom units, four two-bedroom units, and a cottage, offering affordable housing for senior residents. Since its establishment in 1983, the Village has expanded in response to growing demand, reflecting its vital role in the Batlow community. By enabling seniors to live independently within town, the Village ensures easier access to essential services such as healthcare, pharmacies and retail outlets. It also serves as a transitional space between independent living and permanent care, helping residents maintain autonomy and social connections. With a current waiting list, the construction of two additional two-bedroom units is essential to meet demand and support Batlow's social and economic recovery. This expansion will strengthen community resilience, improve quality of life for seniors and contribute to the broader wellbeing of the Snowy Valleys LGA.

Community value: This project will increase the availability of senior-friendly accommodation in town, helping older residents transition into more suitable housing while remaining close to essential services. As seniors relocate to the Village, existing homes will become available for purchase or rent, easing the housing shortage and making it easier for new families to settle in the area. The Village's central location ensures residents have convenient access to medical services, shops, and community facilities - all within walking distance - enhancing independence and wellbeing. Additionally, the Village fosters a strong sense of community, reducing social isolation by enabling seniors to live among peers while staying connected to family and friends.



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