

# Mary Doyle MP

## Federal Member for Aston

**Budget 2024**

## Delivering for Aston

 Knox Community Gardens



## Message from Mary Doyle MP

This Budget is built around delivering cost of living relief to everyone in Aston and across Australia.

From 1 July, we'll deliver a bigger tax cut for all taxpayers.

I know that things are tough right now for a lot of people in Aston. That's why our Government is focused on making sure Australians earn more and keep more of what they earn.

We're also providing a \$300 energy rebate for every household in Aston, to help make your power bill a bit more affordable.

We're wiping more than \$3 billion in student debt and making indexation fairer.

We're making new investments in Medicare and cheaper medicine, because people in Aston deserve access to affordable, world-class healthcare.

And we're building 1.2 million homes across the country to support people renting, buying and building.

This is a Labor budget, through and through. It's for every Australian, not just some.

It's designed to help people in Aston under pressure right now, but it also invests in the jobs, skills, energy and infrastructure to power our growth in the future.

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## Bigger, fairer tax cuts

From 1 July, we'll deliver a bigger tax cut for all taxpayers.

We want Australians to earn more and keep more of what they earn and our bigger tax cuts for more taxpayers will help make that happen.

Labor's cost of living tax cut is part of our economic plan along with boosting wages, balancing the budget and driving down inflation.

To find out how much you will save from 1 July visit

 [taxcuts.gov.au](https://taxcuts.gov.au)



## Cheaper energy bills

I know that things are tough for many households in Aston right now.

We're giving every household a \$300 energy rebate, to help with the cost of power bills.

While this won't fix everything, I know that this will make a real difference to people in Aston.

This builds on the cost of living measures we've already put in place, like cheaper childcare for those with little kids, massive investments in Medicare to help more people see a bulk-billed doctor, as well as creating jobs and getting wages moving again.

## Building 1.2 million homes

Australia has a housing shortage. That's why we've set an ambitious goal of building 1.2 million homes by the end of the decade.

To deliver more homes, we're training more tradies, and funding more apprenticeships. We're kickstarting construction by cutting red tape, giving \$1 billion to state governments to get homes built quickly, and delivering the biggest investment in social housing in more than a decade.

We know that building homes takes time. It won't happen overnight. But it's the best and most lasting fix to our housing shortage.

Whether you're renting, buying or building, more homes will mean more security for everyone in Aston.



## Increase to Commonwealth Rent Assistance

To support renters in Aston, who are doing it tough right now, we're also delivering the first back-to-back increase to Rent Assistance in more than 30 years.

This change will take the maximum rate to over 40% higher than when we came to Government.

Our targeted assistance will provide a little bit extra to people who need it the most, and benefit around 1 million households.

 Ferntree Gully Quarry Reserve Lookout



Recently, I represented the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government - The Hon. Catherine King MP, to officially open the \$10.72M multipurpose community facility at Fairpark Reserve.

After years of hard work and collaboration, this community facility has new changerooms, amenities and toilets, a social/multipurpose room, meeting rooms, classrooms, offices, storage space, a kitchen and cafeteria, and a bar.

The project was funded jointly by:

- Australian Federal Government who put in \$3 million
- Victorian State Government who put in \$50,000
- Knox City Council who contributed \$7.5 million
- AFL Victoria & Cricket Victoria who put in \$50,000 each
- Fairpark Football Club & Johnson Park Cricket Club - \$20,000 each, and
- Fairpark Netball Club & U3A Knox City Council who contributed \$10,000 each

## Wiping \$3 billion in student debt

We're wiping \$3 billion in student debt for more than 3 million Australians. To do this, we're introducing HELP loan credits for people impacted by the recent inflation spike.

We're also making sure that student debt never grows faster than someone's wages or ability to pay it off. Last year's indexation spike wasn't fair; under our changes, it won't ever happen again.



Federal Treasurer, Dr Jim Chalmers MP and myself in Parliament recently going over the 2024/25 Federal Budget.

## A future made in Australia

We want people and businesses in Aston to have every opportunity to thrive. That's why we're investing in the jobs, skills, energy and infrastructure to power our growth in the future.

We're helping more Australians get a TAFE qualification, and/or a university degree. And we're training people in new technologies and attracting investment in strategic industries.

To secure Australia's place as a renewable energy superpower, we're building the infrastructure and clean energy to power new growth. And we will use that cleaner and cheaper energy to power a new generation of advanced manufacturing.

All of this will help to build a highly skilled workforce in Aston and create secure jobs with fair wages.



Minister for Skills and Training, The Hon. Brendan O'Connor MP talking with electrical apprentices at Swinburne TAFE Wantirna Campus



Minister for Health and Aged Care, The Hon. Mark Butler MP at the Knox General Practice & Family Medicine

## We're strengthening Medicare

Everyone in Aston should have access to world-class healthcare. That's why we're providing cheaper medicines to ease the pressure on household budgets, freezing the maximum cost of a PBS medicine, and adding more medicines to the PBS.

We're investing in additional Medicare Urgent Care Clinics; expanding our network of clinics to a total of 87 locations across the country, so more Australians can benefit from bulk billed, walk-in urgent care.

We're also delivering more free mental health services, higher Medicare rebates for many common medical tests, and a \$160 million women's health package – including affordable access to longer specialist appointments for women suffering endometriosis.

A FUTURE MADE IN AUSTRALIA

# TILLY ASTON

## Community Awards

Thank you to everyone for their nominations for the inaugural Tilly Aston Community Awards.

### Timeline

Nominations - Have now closed

Finalists announced on 1 July 2024

\*Finalists will be contacted via phone and email

### Winners announced at

The Award Ceremony on 3 August 2024

Venue TBC

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## Women's Working Group



The Federal Minister for Finance, for Women, and for the Public Service  
**The Hon. Katy Gallagher MP**  
with local councillors and organisation representatives at  
Swinburne TAFE - Wantirna Campus

## A BUDGET THAT WORKS FOR WOMEN

Our Government is delivering a budget that is putting women at the centre of our economic plan to make women's lives safer, fairer and more equal.

This budget provides \$925.2 million over five years for the permanent Leaving Violence Program to deliver financial support for victim-survivors leaving a violent intimate partner relationship as well as support services for up to 12 weeks. It also directs \$1 billion towards social housing for young people and women and children fleeing violence.

## Federal Government Ministers



Minister for Immigration, Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs  
**The Hon. Andrew Giles MP**  
at  
Chinese Association of Victoria



Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government  
**The Hon. Catherine King MP**  
at  
Fairpark Reserve



Minister for Education  
**The Hon. Jason Clare MP**  
at  
Wantirna South PS  
Principals' Roundtable

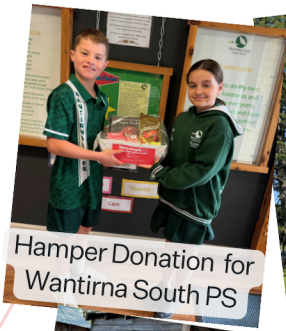


Minister for Health and Aged Care  
**The Hon. Mark Butler MP**  
at  
EACH in Ferntree Gully

## Schools in Aston

One of the most rewarding and favourite part of my role is being able to visit the local schools in Aston.

If your school needs new flags or would like a visit from me, your local Federal Member of Parliament, please feel free to contact my office.



Hamper Donation for  
Wantirna South PS



New Flags for  
Bayswater SC



Schools Upgrade Fund for  
Upper Ferntree Gully PS



School Tour  
Scoresby PS



Tour at Knox Park PS



The 16 Schools participating in the Boronia Rotary Clubs 2024 ANZAC Day Commemorations



Tour at Holy  
Trinity PS



New Flags for  
Boronia Heights PS

# Stronger Community Programme - Round 8

13 local community groups were successful in receiving a share of the \$150,000 in Stronger Community Programme - Round 8.

This much needed funding helped upgrade facilities and purchase equipment, helping clubs thrive in the local Aston community.



New Laptops & Projectors  
Chinese Association of Victoria



Upgraded Toilets  
Bayswater Bowls Club



New on Court Seats  
Eildon Park - Tennis Club



Upgraded Park Cricket Pitch and Surrounds  
Boronia Cricket Club



Padding for Netball Posts - Mountain District Netball Association

## Visits to Aston



Minister for Skills and Training  
**The Hon Brendan O'Connor MP**  
at  
Swinburne - Wantima Campus



Attorney-General of Australia  
**Hon Mark Dreyfus KC, MP**  
at  
The Knox School



Minister for Finance, for Women, and for the Public Service  
**The Hon. Katy Gallagher MP**  
at  
Swinburne - Wantima Campus



Assistant Minister for Mental Health and Suicide Prevention  
**The Hon Emma McBride MP**  
at  
Headspace Knox



Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government  
**The Hon. Catherine King MP,**  
Federal Member for Aston - **Mary Doyle MP,**  
**Wayne Preston and Phil Watson -**  
Hawks Football Netball Club

# \$5 million to help deliver a brand new pavilion at Tormore Reserve

This investment of \$5 million of Federal Government funding will help deliver a new pavilion to ensure the Boronia Hawks Football Netball Club, Boronia Hawks Football Netball Club - Junior and the Boronia Cricket Club have the facilities they deserve.

Along with the \$1.2 million from the Victorian State Government, this combined \$6.2 million pavilion is fully funded and ready to be delivered by Knox City Council.

## Volunteer Grants

The Australian Government is continuing to recognise the efforts of volunteers and community organisations. That is why I am happy to announce that 23 local organisations in Aston have received grants of up to \$5,000.

Through the \$10 million 2023-24 Volunteer Grant Round, community organisations across Australia will receive funding to buy small equipment for volunteers or reimburse their fuel, transport, or training costs.

These grants will allow many community organisations to better support the efforts of their volunteers, with this Grant Round to make a positive impact on the wider volunteering sector.

More information about Australian Government grants is available on the [Grants Connect website](#).



## Your local Electorate Office can help you with Federal Government services, including:

- Services Australia
- Medicare
- Passports
- Child support
- Veterans' Affairs
- Pensions, and My Aged Care
- National Disability Insurance Scheme
- Australian Taxation Office
- Immigration, citizenship and customs



## Drop by for my next Coffee and Chat



**10:00 am**  
**20/06/24**



### Spade 9 Cafe

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