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Guy Barnett, Minister for Veterans' Affairs

## Teddy Sheean Memorial Grants Program opens

Applications are now open for the Teddy Sheean Memorial Grants Program 2019-20 – Round 1.

The Hodgman majority Liberal Government recognises the valuable contribution of Tasmania's service men and women and is committed to supporting veterans and ex-serving members in Tasmania.

The Teddy Sheean Memorial Grants Program was established as a tribute to the bravery and sacrifice made by Tasmanian sailor Ordinary Seaman Edward 'Teddy' Sheean, who gave his life for his country and fellow shipmates 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.

The Program will provide grants of up \$10,000 for minor capital works and \$5,000 for equipment purchases for RSL clubs, sub-branches and ex-serving organisations.

The Program will also provide grants of up to \$5,000 towards the repair and maintenance of war memorials, and construction of new memorials.

A total of \$100,000 was allocated for 2019-20 to be allocated in two rounds of \$50,000.

The Teddy Sheean Memorial Grants Program is part of the Government's record package of more than \$750,000 in additional funding to support Tasmania's veterans, ex-service personnel and their families.

Guidelines and application forms are available from Communities Tasmania website www.communities.tas.gov.au/csr.

For further information, please contact <a href="mailto:atcsrgrants@communities.tas.gov.au">atcsrgrants@communities.tas.gov.au</a> or telephone on 1800 204 224.

Applications close on 20 September 2019.