




Speech By
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 **Hon. MT RYAN** (Morayfield—ALP) (Minister for Police and Minister for Corrective Services) (6.02 pm): I would like to pay tribute to a number of charitable works which take place in the Caboolture region. The first organisation I would like to knowledge is Caboolture Community Action, which today officially opened their new premises in Caboolture. Caboolture Community Action was first formed in 2009. I remember attending the meetings at Caboolture East State School. It was formed in response to a desire in the community to support the most marginalised and most disadvantaged in our community—people who are experiencing homelessness.

The organisation has come a long way in the 10 years since it was established. They specifically provide support to needy and vulnerable people in our region with practical support, whether it is helping them find housing, providing food packs or providing other items to support people. They are a very popular organisation in the Caboolture region, particularly when it comes to their regular cook ups, where they invite the community to come along, have a chat and share a meal.

Caboolture Community Action is a key contact point for the delivery of a number of services for needy people in the Caboolture region. They arrange appointments with hairdressers, counsellors, JPs and even Orange Sky Laundry. I want to pay tribute to Sharon Geeves and the rest of the Caboolture Community Action team for the great work that they do supporting needy people in the Caboolture region. I am very proud of their efforts.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the Pink Belles—Corinna and the ladies—for the great work that they do in raising money for the Cancer Council. They have many fundraisers throughout the year. Their last fundraiser was just a couple of weeks ago. It was a very entertaining night, but most importantly it was a great opportunity to raise money for the Cancer Council. Well done to the Pink Belles.

Well done also to Leukaemia Support Queensland and Jane McMillan and her team for continuing to raise great money to support people in our community who might be experiencing leukaemia or another blood cancer related illness. Jane has made an outstanding contribution over the years. She was awarded an Order of Australia medal this year for her contribution to raising money for leukaemia support over many years.

Finally, I would like to give a particular shout-out in the Caboolture region to support this year's Kids in Care Christmas Appeal. The Caboolture region probably has one of the largest Kids in Care Christmas Appeals throughout the state. I encourage everyone to support it.

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