

Acknowledgment of Your Support to the CASS Asquith RACF

No matter the amount, your donation will make a difference! Donors will be gratefully acknowledged as follows:

- a) For all those people who donate over \$2, a tax-deductible receipt will be issued. The names of all donors contributing \$2 and over will be listed in a special publication prepared to mark the fulfilment of the project. All those volunteers who have helped in the fundraising activities, and all those fundraising events or actions organised to generate donations for the project will also be recorded and acknowledged in the publication. This measure not only indicates our commitment to full accountability, but also our sincere appreciation of all donors, no matter whether the donations are small or large, and the efforts of volunteers.
- b) For those people who donate over \$200 in total, apart from the acknowledgment outlined in (a) above, their names will be listed on an Honours Board hanging on the wall inside the Residential Aged Care Facility.
- c) Apart from (a) and (b) above, for those people who donate over \$20,000 in total, their names will be listed on the Benevolent Honours Wall inside the RACF. The names of all those volunteers whose efforts enable a donation of over \$20,000 will also be acknowledged on the Benevolent Honours Wall, as well as the titles of all those fundraising events or actions resulting in donations of over \$20,000. In addition, a postcard size photo (105mm X 148mm) of the donor or the group of volunteers, will be displayed on the Benevolent Honours Wall in the RACF.
- d) Apart from (a) to (c) above, for those people who donate over \$60,000 in total, if they or their nominated person apply to live in the RACF, their application will be given priority for consideration for a standard room. This priority consideration is valid only once. Also, the size of the commemorative photo of the donor will be double the postcard size (148mm X 210mm).
- e) Apart from (a) to (d) above, for those people who donate over \$200,000 in total, they will be given naming right under a separate set of guidelines. The naming right depends on the amount of money donated.

Donors are welcomed to make donations through different arrangements, e.g., paying the donation in instalments, transferring the rights to be acknowledged to another party, etc. Please specify your needs at the time when you donate, and we will happily facilitate the arrangement.

Enquiry

Please call CASS on (02) 9789 4587 (extension 1123), email cass@cass.org.au or visit our website at www.cass.org.au to find out more about supporting the project. You may also write to: CASS Asquith RACF Project, 44-50 Sixth Avenue, Campsie, NSW 2194.

(Information compiled in November 2021)



Enabling The Elderly To Age In Style & Comfort

*I Care, You Care,
CASS Cares, We All Care*

The ageing population has become an increasingly serious issue in Australia and the demand for aged care services is growing rapidly. Due to language barriers, many elderly migrants from East and Southeast Asian countries including China, Korea, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia etc. find it challenging to find appropriate aged care services to cater for their ageing needs.

The Chinese Australian Services Society Ltd (CASS) is a community services provider dedicated to serve the multicultural community. It was formed in 1981, and over the last 40 years it has been catering for the needs of the ageing community through its subsidiary entity, CASS Care Ltd, providing a comprehensive range of services including home ageing, respite services, residential aged care and more. CASS had the vision that the need for residential aged care will soar, therefore in 2015 CASS constructed and began operating its first residential aged care facility (RACF) in Campsie, catering for the needs of frail seniors of East Asian backgrounds. This 63-bed RACF has been running in full capacity since its commencement, with a very long waiting-list.

To meet the increasing demand, CASS has been planning for a new RACF since 2017. We have acquired seven adjoining properties in Asquith with bank loans, based on which a small community combining RACF and independent living units (ILU) has been designed. After several years of dedicated efforts, at the end of 2020, the development application of the project was approved by the Hornsby Shire Council. In July 2021 we finally obtained the approval from the Federal Government to build a new 97-bed RACF, as well as the adjacent ILU.



This new RACF is located in a favourable residential area with shopping centres, transportation facilities and other social venues nearby. It will serve the frail aged people of East and Southeast Asian backgrounds, providing culturally and linguistically appropriate care and services, including meals and activities arrangements, enabling the seniors to age gracefully and happily. Other features of this facility include:

- Architecturally designed, with bright, open space and uplifting elements, providing residents with high-quality living spaces and creating a community environment with rich cultural characteristics;
- Independent accommodation within a safe and caring environment, all 97 single rooms each has an ensuite;
- Spacious communal lounge and dining areas together with a community hall, all connected to external landscaped areas providing nodes for resident, family, visitors and staff interactions;
- The gardens are filled with rich cultural features and constructed based on four different oriental themes: plum blossom; orchid; bamboo; and chrysanthemum;
- The interiors differentiate between the lively communal and quieter residential sectors and capitalizes on the abundance of natural light, reducing the need for artificial illumination;
- Arrangement of the building around courtyards enhances crossflow ventilation, reducing the need for air conditioning, leading to an environmentally sustainable environment with lower greenhouse gas emissions;
- The ILU consist of eleven one-bed and two-bedroom units, plus a spacious activity hall, catering to the leisure and recreation needs of the residents. It will be a perfect place for the elderly to age in style and comfort.

Our Appeal to the Community to Help Make Our Vision a Reality!

The proposed RACF project will require an estimated amount of \$35 million, excluding the land costs. Apart from bank loans CASS also need to raise approximately \$6 million. If the required funds can be raised as planned, the Facility will be completed and operational by mid-2023. CASS is appealing to the community now to support this project with generous donations to enable the building of this great facility. You are welcomed to make donations through different arrangements, e.g., paying the donation in instalments, transferring the rights to be acknowledged to another party, etc. You can also take part in fundraising events/ activities organised to raise fund to achieve the targets.

For enquiries about the project and supporting the fundraising efforts, please call CASS on (02) 9789 4587 extension 1123, write to cass@cass.org.au or visit our website www.cass.org.au. For more information, please write to:
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CASS Asquith Residential Aged Care Facility Project Fact Sheet

Proposed Residential Aged Care Facility Site Address

461 - 473 Pacific Highway, Asquith, NSW 2077.

Development Background

CASS has in 2015 constructed and begun to operate its first residential aged care facility (RACF) in Campsie especially catering for the needs of frail seniors of East Asian backgrounds. This 63-bed RACF has been running in full capacity since its commencement, with a very long waiting-list. Hence, we have been planning for a new RACF since 2017. We have acquired seven adjoining properties in Asquith with bank loans, based on which a small community combining a RACF and independent living units (ILU) has been designed. After several years of dedicated efforts, at the end of 2020, the development application of the project was approved by the Hornsby Shire Council. In July 2021, we finally obtained the approval from the Federal Government to build a new 97-bed RACF, as well as the adjacent ILU, to construct a new quality community for the frail aged people of East and Southeast Asian backgrounds, providing culturally and linguistically appropriate care and services.

Financing the CASS Asquith RACF Project

The proposed CASS Asquith RACF project will cost about \$35 million, excluding the land costs. Apart from bank loans, CASS also needs to raise about \$6 million.

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