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Morrison Government funds Newcastle project to help improve local community achieve career aspirations

The Morrison Government has funded a new project through the second round of its National Careers Institute's Partnership Grants program.

Community Disability Alliance Hunter Incorporated (CDAH) have been awarded \$442,377 for their Project to improve local career pathways and boost skills development for people with disability.

As part of round two of the Partnership Grants program, the Morrison Government has committed \$5.8 million to 16 projects around the country, all chosen to help organisations deliver innovative career guidance services to a wide range of Australians.

In Newcastle, CDAH will work with the University of Newcastle to provide innovative, locallybased career guidance for people with disability, by people with disability.

Minister for Employment, Workforce, Skills, Small and Family Business, Stuart Robert, said it's vital Australians get the best possible advice when looking for a new career.

"We want Australians to be at the centre of our skills-led economic recovery, so they need to have access to the best possible career advice," Minister Robert said.

Liberal Patron Senator for the Hunter Region Hollie Hughes said "this Newcastle project will ensure people have access to tailored resources so they can make vital career decisions based on the best possible advice.

"The NCI's Partnership Grants program is helping CDAH to deliver a truly unique initiative that will help open up a range of career pathways, provide a timely boost to local employers and give those people with a career aspiration the confidence they need to pursue their dreams," Senator Hughes said.

The Morrison Government's National Careers Institute (NCI) ensures Australians have access to reliable and accurate careers information, resources, and support.

For more information, visit the National Careers Institute at <u>www.dese.gov.au/nci</u>

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