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## **Media Release**

## Take a virtual walk-through Fitzroy Community Hospice

Plans for the Fitzroy Community Hospice are approaching the final stages and construction is due to commence at 38 Agnes Street, Rockhampton later this year. Thanks to virtual plans designed and made available by Tony Madden Architects, the public can now take a 3D walk through the envisaged 12-bed Hospice facility, the first of its kind in Central Queensland.

https://youtu.be/7pzStRJyjV4 and/or see QR code above.

The plans bring to life the vision of a peaceful, home-like end-of-life setting that is surrounded by gardens & rural views. A place that welcomes, encourages, and supports families & carers. The facility will also provide administration and meetings spaces that will be utilised as a hub for community outreach care, to deliver holistic support services, and as a venue for education & training.

The Fitzroy Community Hospice has now embarked on a major fundraising program and is inviting Central Queensland businesses to become Founding Partners. While the Australian Government are providing some of the capital funding required, further funds are needed to ensure the Hospice development is completed to the highest possible standard and meets the needs of our community now and into the future.

Evans Edwards & Associates have committed their support as a Founding Partner of Fitzroy Community Hospice, donating \$50,000 towards the establishment of the Hospice. "At Evans Edwards & Associates, we are big on supporting our community" says Marni McGrath, one of the Principals at Evans Edwards & Associates. "There was no question that we would support Fitzroy Community Hospice" says Marni. "This project is so different to others we are often approached to support. It meets the needs of the whole community, now and into the future, and will give people choices at end of life. There is nothing else like it in Central Queensland".

"I know that I speak on behalf of the other Principals, Tony Edwards and Jayne Maresse, and the whole team at Evans Edwards & Associates. We want to contribute to building a stronger community. We want to see Fitzroy Community Hospice become a reality and we want to support it." says Marni McGrath. "We really hope that our contribution as a Founding Partner will build momentum and encourage other businesses to support Fitzroy Community Hospice and join us as Founding Partners".

"Central Queensland businesses are the backbone of our community - stimulating economic growth, facilitating investment, and generating jobs in the region" says Dr. Vicki Richmond, Fitzroy Community Hospice Board Chair. "In Central Queensland, local businesses know their corporate social responsibility starts with grassroots support of local sports and social clubs, schools, health facilities and charities".

As a not-for-profit charitable organisation, community financial support is essential to the establishment and future operations of Fitzroy Community Hospice. All donations are greatly appreciated and tax deductible.

To find out more about becoming a Founding Partner or supporting Fitzroy Community Hospice, please visit www.fitzroyhospice.org.au or email <a href="mailto:admin@fitzroyhospice.org.au">admin@fitzroyhospice.org.au</a>





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