



home and community care

A JOINT COMMONWEALTH AND STATE/TERRITORY PROGRAM  
PROVIDING FUNDING AND ASSISTANCE FOR AUSTRALIANS IN NEED



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## Volunteer Social Support Program (VSSP)

VSSP is a Home and Community Care program developed to prevent isolation by providing social links and support for older people, people with disabilities and their carers.

Helping people stay active, involved, and doing as much for themselves as possible is proven to help people stay more independent with a greater sense of wellbeing.



We have trained Arabic and Assyrian Chaldean speaking volunteers who are available to offer regular home visits and respite services.

### Benefits to You

- \*Information via media articles, websites, flyers, brochures, Arabic radio programs, talk-back discussions to keep you informed on health issues and aged care services
- \*Provision of social and recreational activities such as park visits, camps, tree planting days and multicultural events to reduce isolation and increase social belonging
  - \*Encourage the use of mainstream aged care services
  - \*Advocate for culturally appropriate services on your behalf
- \*Provision of culturally sensitive respite services through regular visits to your home
  - \*Assist you in maintaining independence
- \*Supporting ASB people who are ageing or who have a disability, and their families, through the provision of culturally appropriate

### Transport

Transport options may be explored with the VASS staff upon management approval.

For more information please contact Mesko Ayouz for more information at VASS Head Office on (03) 9359 2861 or mail@vass.org.au