

A strong voice for our future

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Lauga applauds \$1.7m for the Care Army

The hearts and souls of caring Central Queenslanders will receive a \$1.7 million boost from the Palaszczuk Government to support our Care Army.

Member for Keppel and Care Army member Brittany Lauga said the COVID-19 crisis had put immense pressure on Queenslanders.

“During the pandemic, we established the Care Army to help vulnerable Queenslanders doing it tough,” Ms Lauga said.

“I signed up to help people in need, and it was inspiring to see thousands of people across the state put their hand up to help.

“There has been no greater example of how Queenslanders have risen to the challenge together and supported each other than the Care Army.

“This state is blessed with so many incredible assets, whether it’s our tourism icons or powerhouse resource industry, but I have always said our people are our greatest asset. I am so proud of the more than 28,500 Queenslanders who registered to be volunteers.

“As we emerge from the pandemic, we want to provide all Queenslanders with the support they need, so that they can be part of our economic recovery plan.

“It’s not just about food and medicine. We need to keep people connected to our community,” she said.

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“We want to bridge the digital divide so vulnerable people can be supported to access online services like tele-health and other community groups.

“Vulnerable Queenslanders were impacted by the LNP’s savage cuts the first time around and they’d suffer again under the cuts of Deb Frecklington and the LNP, if the LNP was elected to Government.

“With Deb Frecklington recklessly promising to cut her way to a surplus, important assistance programs that help vulnerable members of our community like this one will disappear,” said Ms Lauga.

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