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Topic: Carer Programs

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Senator Carol Brown asked:

What is the current status of funding for all the Carer Support Programmes funded by the Department of Social Services? Do any of these programmes have funding agreements that are due to finish this calendar year? Or this financial year? If so for each programme please provide:

- a) the name of each funded service provider
- b) the length of the current funding agreements
- c) the funding amount for each service
- d) the funding location for each service
- e) the total quantum of funding for each programme

Answer:

A number of carer support programs funded by the Department of Social Services have funding agreements ending 30 June 2018. Refer to **Attachment A** for funding details.

There is only one program with funding agreements ceasing this calendar or financial year. Dementia and Aged Care Services grants (DACs) are one-off projects that commenced on 1 March 2015 and will cease on 30 June 2017. Refer to the table below for funding details.

Funded Service provider	Location	Total funding
Guide Dogs for the Blind Association of Queensland	Queensland wide	\$375,745
Great Lakes Council – Mid-North Coast NSW	NSW	\$125,000
Latrobe Community Health Service - Gippsland	Victoria	\$264,659
Carer Support and Respite Centre – Adelaide-Wide	South Australia	\$415,188
Living Care Home Care Services - Maitland	NSW	\$11,600
Churches of Christ Property Trust – Southern Highlands	NSW	\$43,101
Suncare Community Services Ltd - Sunshine Coast	Queensland	\$165,000
Total		\$1,400,293