



Media Release

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## **Retailer Support Tops \$50,000**

Donor dollars are the lifeblood of many charities, including the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS), which relies on donations to continue to deliver the finest care to the furthest corners of New South Wales.

The announcement that Khans Supa IGA Supermarket Group will be making another donation of \$12,370.50 to the RFDS is good news for Linda Cutler, General Manager, Health Services at RFDS South Eastern Section.

“Donations are always welcome, particularly in a tight fiscal climate with both charity and health dollars at a premium,” said Ms Cutler.

“We thank Khans Supa IGA for its continued and generous support during the past three years, which now totals over \$54,000.”

“Donor funding helps us undertake emergency evacuations and deliver vital primary health clinics, including The Outback Oral Treatment and Health (TOOTH) program, which operates out of Dubbo and has transformed the dental health of many communities in Central Western NSW.”

The Khans Supa IGA Supermarket Group has 10 stores across NSW, including Bourke, Cobar, Coonamble, Nyngan and Lightning Ridge.

Managing Director, Rashid Khan, will present the cheque to Ms Cutler today at the RFDS Dubbo Base.

“The donation comes from our Community Chest program, which supports organisations the board deems to be “doing good” in the community,” said Mr Khan.

“I opened my first store in Lightning Ridge in 1981 and understand what an important lifeline the RFDS is for people in Central Western NSW.”

“The Khans Supa IGA donation is yet another example of the fantastic support the RFDS receives from the businesses, people and fundraisers in the Central West,” said Greg Sam, Chief Executive Officer of RFDS South Eastern Section.

“We thank them for their kind support over the past few years and long may it continue.”

**What: Cheque presentation from Khan Supa IGA to RFDS.**

**Where: RFDS Dubbo Base, Cooreena Rd, Dubbo NSW 2830.**

**Who: Linda Cutler, General Manager, Health Services, RFDS South Eastern Section and Mr Rashid Khan, Managing Director, Khans Supa IGA.**

**When: 3pm Thursday, 21 August.**

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### **ABOUT THE ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE**

The not-for-profit Royal Flying Doctor Service has been taking the finest care to the furthest corners of Australia since 1928. The service provides 24 hour emergency cover to 90% of the Australian continent, via a modern fleet of specially equipped aircraft. In the past year, the South Eastern Section flew the equivalent of 6.5 round trips to the moon as it conducted over 4,700 clinics, took over 5,000 telehealth calls, had over 54,000 patient contacts and transported almost 8,600 patients.