

RFDS Flying 1000 charity home in Busselton to be auctioned

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Construction of a new home is underway at Provence Estate, just minutes from Busselton, in the state's south west, to be auctioned early next year, with all funds to be donated to the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

RFDS Chief Executive Officer Grahame Marshall said this is the first time a house has been built in the south west region solely to raise funds for the Flying Doctor.

"We have evacuated nearly 900 patients from the South West of the state during the past 12 months, an average of 17 per week, so specific fundraising initiatives such as this from Regions we service, and their communities, is always very much appreciated".

"We are very pleased to partner with Plunkett Homes, who are building the home, and Provence – who are donating the land," Mr Marshall said, "and we are thrilled to have their partnership and support".

"The charity home project has been initiated by RFDS board member Colin Heath and our Flying 1000 supporter group, which has fundraised millions of dollars for the RFDS over the years.

Provence is Busselton's first master planned community and remains one of the most attractive and affordable destinations in WA's south west for those looking for a relaxed coastal lifestyle.

Given its short five-minute drive to the seaside resort and close to some of the region's great beaches, forests, vineyards and tourist attractions.

"There are thousands of people who holiday in the area who fall in love with the lifestyle and ask: "Why can't we live here?" Provence Estate Manager, Alan Abel said.

"Well there has never been a better time than now. Provence boasts more than 36ha of lakes and parklands, playgrounds, picnic areas with barbecues and is home to the well renowned Georgiana Molloy Anglican School."

Plunkett Homes was established in 1903 and is committed to ensuring customers receive better designed homes at a smaller price. Plunkett Homes specialise in country building and areas with a unique environment.

They have built a reputation as one of the most trusted quality builders in the South West winning many industry awards along the way including Excellence in Service 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

The house and land package is worth \$434,000 and is due for completion in April 2017 at which time it will be offered for sale by auction.

The RFDS provides emergency care, life-saving outcomes, and health treatment and advice to almost 70,000 people in Western Australia every year and has done so in WA for over 80 years.

Mr Marshall said there is continued demand for RFDS aero medical services, with those services currently being delivered at record levels, which means we need to purchase up to two new aircraft every year, and to continue to be at the forefront of innovation in the delivery of remote health care delivery to West Australians.

To donate to the RFDS call 1800 669 569 or visit www.flyingdoctor.org.au.

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