

# Media Release

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## **Perry Park welcomes second Foundation Room**

A new Foundation Room at ACH Group's Perry Park residential facility at Port Noarlunga is set to provide a welcome boost to southern suburbs residents.

The new room – established by a grant from a private donor – will add to the short term respite already available through the first Foundation Room which opened in January 2013.

ACH Group Foundation Development Manager Paul Harris says the Foundation Rooms provide older people and carers an alternative to the traditional government-funded aged care model when they need it most.

“The service means people can avoid unnecessary assessments and access levels of support beyond typical offerings within the system,” he says.

“There are no geographical restrictions placed on where they lived, they can stay as long as they need in order to be able to return home, and the service is provided free of charge with the option of a voluntary contribution.”

“The Foundation Room has truly delivered on the express wishes of its customers over the past three years of operation and is influencing emerging service models in the industry,” Paul says. “The second room is achieving the same levels of interest and acclaim, even in its first few months of operation.”

“The ACH Group Foundation wishes to acknowledge that these achievements have been made possible through the generosity and commitment of our highly respected private donor along with the exceptional staff at Perry Park who have embraced and enacted this exciting vision.

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## **About ACH Group**

ACH Group is a not-for-profit aged care organisation that has been offering services to support good lives for older people in South Australia since 1952.

As well as accommodation options across Adelaide, the Fleurieu Peninsula and East Melbourne, the group offers a range of health, wellbeing, respite and support services, help at home and social activities.

Our 1700 specialist staff and hundreds of volunteers share the belief that older people should be valued and respected, connected to their communities and in control of their lives.

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