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# In the right Headspace

## ■ Alison Paterson

YOUNG people needing mental health support have been given a \$1.4 million boost for new services in Casino and Kyogle.

Page MP Kevin Hogan said it was difficult for young people in smaller towns to access the services they needed.

“These new services fill that gap,” Mr Hogan said.

Headspace’s Youth Group Advisory Group president Tahlia Hyde said the new funding was incredibly important.

“I feel it’s really important to be able to have this new funding within Headspace and Social Futures as a lot of young people in outlying communities can’t access Headspace,” she said.

“Now we have this funding and Social Futures on board it will make a really big difference.”

The new funding follows the announcement of a new

Headspace centre in Grafton, along with a number of other mental health programs, servicing the Clarence Valley.

“Mental health is an issue for our entire community that I take very seriously and will continue to lobby to make sure we get the resources we need to help our young people,” Mr Hogan said.

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**GOOD NEWS:MP Kevin Hogan and Social Futures CEO Mr Tony Davies celebrate funding.** PHOTO: MARC STAPELBERG