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MEDIA RELEASE: Financial Security for Older People

Financial vulnerability is a significant risk for older Australians. Financial scams, the risk of outliving retirement savings, low interest rates, economic instability and medical issues are some of the most common causes of financial insecurity for the elderly.

A free Financial Security Symposium which will provide information and access to support services is being held on Monday 14th November 9:30am to 12 noon at Ballina Surf Club to help elderly people to guard themselves against financial threats.

Presented by the Northern Rivers Abuse of Older People Collaborative and hosted by Social Futures in collaboration with Disability and Aged Information Service (DAISI), an invitation is extended to all older residents in the Ballina area to attend.

Speakers include Meg Small and Pat Joyce from Seniors Rights Service. Meg will present 'Are Your Assets Safe' and Pat, who is the Advocacy Manager, will speak about financial abuse of older people. Sarah Drury from Northern Rivers Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service (TAAS) will inform present on recent changes to Tenancy Act. Sue McGuigan, the Regional Assessment Service Manager of the Northern Health District Aged Care Assessment Team, will provide information about accessing aged care services.

You can register for this free event by contacting DAISI on 1800 800 340.

For more information about local and regional transport to attend this event visit www.goingplaces.org.au

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