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Noarlunga TAFE campus to receive \$8.7 million to keep Australia working

The Member for Kingston, Amanda Rishworth, has today welcomed Australian Government funding of \$8.7 million the Noarlunga TAFE Campus which will support jobs in Southern Adelaide. This project and funding is subject to final contract negotiations.

The project will consist of reconfiguration and refurbishment of facilities including:

- Establish specialist skills laboratories in the areas of aged care, child care, and hair and beauty programs;
- Expansion of the cosmetology program; and
- Establish a multi purpose manufacturing workshop in existing workshop spaces.

The funds will be provided as part of the \$200 million Training Infrastructure Investment for Tomorrow element of the Teaching and Learning Capital Fund (TIIFT) for Vocational Education and Training.

TIIFT will enhance TAFEs' capacity to up-skill and re-skill Australians for a productive future. Projects under the TIIFT will particularly focus on skills for a sustainable future, including the emerging green skills sector, and industries affected by climate change.

TAFEs across Australia will receive grants in the 2009–10 financial year to upgrade or develop infrastructure, plant and equipment to skill Australians for the future.

Ms Rishworth said the funds would provide a welcome boost the region to and will help to keep the region working.

“This will help to secure economic activity, assist in addressing the impacts of the economic downturn and increase the capacity of the local training sector over the longer term to meet future skills needs,” Ms Rishworth said.

“TAFE infrastructure plays a key role in skilling Australia for a productive future”.

The announcement of funding through the Training Infrastructure Investment for

Tomorrow is the second element of the \$500 million Teaching and Learning Capital Fund for Vocational Education and Training.

The Australian Government announced in December 2008 that this funding is part of a \$4.7 billion nation-building infrastructure package to support Australia's economy.

A full list of projects being supported under the Training Infrastructure Investment for Tomorrow element of the Teaching and Learning Capital Fund for Vocational Education and Training is available from www.deewr.gov.au/tlcfvet