

## **St Vincent de Paul Society NSW – Statement on Disability Services**

The St Vincent de Paul Society NSW has made the difficult decision to exit our specialised disability services in the Sydney metropolitan region.

The Society NSW will transition out of operating the following services by the end of June 2025:

- Support Coordination
- Mary MacKillop Outreach, Haberfield
- Como Social and Leisure Centre, Sutherland

The Society NSW recognises that in the Sydney metropolitan region there are a larger number of quality disability support providers, for which disability is their core focus. These providers are better placed and resourced to meet the needs of the people who access these services, as well as meet the increasing demand of NDIS compliance.

At the centre of our transition planning is continuity of care for our participants. After exploring several options, we have made the decision to transition to Achieve Australia, a valuesaligned disability support service. We are committed to supporting participants to have choice and control during this transition. Participants will be given options for alternate supports in addition to Achieve Australia, and we will support transitions to other providers that they may choose.

The Society NSW remains committed to disability services through Supported Open Employment and our regional disability services, including Jim Da Silva Farm (Nowra), Greene Villa and Castlereagh Industries (Coonamble).

The Society NSW will hold consultations with those impacted by the transition, including people we assist, their families, employees and community.