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Retirement village residents going green

Residents at Bribie Island and Woorim Retirement Villages are looking forward to helping the environment and taking advantage of potentially significant savings in electricity costs as the installation of solar panels on their units comes to completion.

Retirement Living coordinator Karen Tibbits, said residents at both sites jumped at the chance to have solar panels installed.

“We approached the residents about the idea of renting solar panels for their units, as we are always looking for ways to improve the services to our residents, as well as looking after the environment,” Ms Tibbits said.

“Renting solar panels is a very cost effective way of utilising solar power and based on figures provided, is expected to dramatically reduce the cost of their electricity bill. In most cases, it also has the added benefit of providing a surplus financial return to the resident with the excess electricity generated sold back to the grid.

“Our residents were really excited and over 100 units signed up for the new initiative. At both Bribie Island and Woorim Retirement Villages, the majority of units now have the panels installed and residents love it; they are now eagerly anticipating the savings on their next electricity bill.

Ms Tibbits said choosing a retirement living option was often difficult with the plethora of options available.

“That is why we decided to make both Bribie Island and Woorim Villages as environmentally conscious as possible, and give that little bit extra back to our residents and ultimately to the environment as well.”

Bribie Island and Woorim Retirement Villages currently have vacancies. For more information about either village, or to arrange a personal inspection of currently available units, please phone 1800 199 740 or visit www.care.cofcql.com.au.

Bribie Island Retirement Village and Woorim are operated by Churches of Christ Care. Churches of Christ Care is a leading not-for-profit provider of early childhood, child protection, retirement living and aged care with multiple locations across Queensland.

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Churches of Christ Care is one of Queensland's leading providers of early childhood, child protection, affordable housing, retirement living and aged care services. We are a not-for-profit organisation that supports more than 27,000 clients each year in urban, rural and remote areas. We operate 137 services throughout Queensland with the support of more than 2,800 staff and over 700 volunteers.

Churches of Christ Care is built on a foundation of Christian values, commitment to quality care, and trust and respect for clients and the community.