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## **Solar panels save residents money at Sanctuary Park**

Residents at Sanctuary Park Retirement Village in Nambour are thrilled to receive their latest electricity bill, after solar panels were installed on every villa in the village.

Resident Valerie said she was always looking for ways to help the environment, and now she could while also saving significantly.

“After the residents here at Sanctuary Park were told about the solar panel initiative, we all jumped at the chance to have them installed on our roofs,” Valerie said.

“After listening to the information session we had here at the village, I entered into an agreement to proceed with the installation. I also learnt that if I did my clothes washing at night and turned off all the power at the wall, I would save so much money.

“And I did! I saved \$109.50 on my first account. My bill at the end of October was \$112, and for the end of January it was \$7.84. How’s that for a good result? I was so surprised because I had two fridges running throughout November and December.

“If my next two quarterly accounts save me that much money, then the rent required is paid fully and I will have the last quarter for free.

“I am very thankful to Churches of Christ Care for their provision and their understanding of the financial pressures experienced by retired seniors.”

Sanctuary Park Retirement Village currently consists of 35 beautiful villas (some stand alone homes), and Stage 3a, currently under construction, will see an additional 18 units added to the village. The total number for this unique location will only be 71 so there are limited opportunities to live in this beautiful environment.

Out of the 18 under construction in Stage 3a, only three are left for sale. The final stage has just been released due to overwhelming demand, and expressions of interest are now being accepted.

There is no need to sell your home before securing the unit of your choice at Sanctuary Park. With our exclusive expression of interest program, you can secure the first right of refusal for a limited time while you consider your options.

Another choice for you to consider is our flexible purchase options with a range of financial alternatives, giving you the freedom to choose between retaining more funds to spend now on lifestyle benefits like travel; or alternatively pay a higher ingoing contribution and pay no exit fees when you eventually leave.

Our Retirement Village Coordinator Debra Winter will be pleased to take you through the display unit and the community centre, and on a personalised tour of the village. For an appointment phone Debra on (07) 5476 4657.

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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.