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Shade for children in Maryborough

Churches of Christ Care's Maryborough Family Day Care, In Home Child Care Wide Bay and the Family Support Service are welcoming a new shade structure, along with the large shaded play area it provides underneath.

Churches of Christ Care's Maryborough Family Day Care was a recent recipient of the SunSmart Grant Scheme, an initiative of the Cancer Council Queensland to promote sun-safe play for children in Queensland.

All three childcare services are administered by Churches of Christ Care from the one site at Jupiter Street in Maryborough.

Family Day Care Service Manager Helen Wex said the shade structure had been identified as a necessary addition to the services playgroup grounds.

"We are a sun smart service so I went searching for a grant to help support the costs of building the structure, and I found the SunSmart Grant Scheme," Ms Wex said.

"We put in an application with expected cost of \$5,079 to build it. We received a grant of \$2500, and Churches of Christ Care was very supportive of our desire for a shade structure, and provided the remaining amount of \$2,579.

"We are very passionate about sun protection, and believe in promoting good sun smart practices to the children. We have had great feedback from the parents and children, who agree that the addition of this high quality structure is indeed an asset to the services program.

Churches of Christ Care's Maryborough Family Day Care, In Home Child Care Wide Bay and the Family Support Service currently have vacancies for 2011.

For more information or to enrol your child, contact the Maryborough Family Day Care on (07) 41224151.

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About Churches of Christ Care

Churches of Christ Care is a division of Churches of Christ in Queensland—a group of churches that is part of the worldwide Christian church.

We strive to create an inclusive, caring, compassionate environment that meets our clients' needs without discrimination or prejudice. Everyone is welcome to call on our help regardless of their religious background.

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.