

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## RSB to visit Kangaroo Island to assist blind and vision impaired residents, this August.

Continuing a long-standing commitment to the residents of Kangaroo Island, an Occupational Therapist and Orientation and Mobility Instructor from the Royal Society for the Blind will be returning to conduct home visits and information sessions, on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

RSB Southern Coordinator, Travis Little, says "The RSB is committed to assisting people across South Australia who are blind or have a vision impairment. While it isn't possible for us to have a permanent presence on the island, we are committed to visiting a minimum of twice a year, to provide the sorts of services those on the mainland have easy access to."

Islanders who may benefit from the RSB visit include those with an eye disease that is impacting their day-to-day tasks, people having difficulty reading (where eye glasses no longer help), those having difficulty seeing steps and curbs (that has perhaps led to a fall), or people who have been told by their eye-care professional that there is nothing more that can be done to improve their vision.

KI residents who would like more information or to book an apponitment during the visit can call (08) 8417 5660.

RSB Occupational Therapist, Hannah Clark and a KI resident who has benefited from the services of the RSB, are both available for interviews. Any assistance you can provide in getting this message out to your community would be appreciated.

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