

# Media Release

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#### **Multicap and Breakaway Inc. team up to support Moreton Bay community**

People living with disability in Moreton Bay will now have increased choice and service options, following the merger of two prominent local support providers—Breakaway Inc. and Multicap.

Breakaway provides disability support in the Moreton Bay region through Supported Independent Living, Short Term Accommodation, Community Participation, and music and movement programs.

Multicap provides an extensive range of disability supports across Queensland and northern New South Wales in areas including Home and Wellbeing, Community and Lifestyle, and Education and Employment.

Breakaway Inc. members voted unanimously to merge with Multicap, with the employment of Breakaway's workforce of around 100 staff and the continuation of service for customers pivotal to the merger decision. High-quality services and support in the Moreton Bay area will continue to be delivered under the Breakaway name by the Breakaway staff.

Chair of Multicap, Mr John Gallimore, said the merger will enable the organisations to work together in the best interests of people with disability across Moreton Bay.

"Both of our disability service organisations are known for our high-quality services, and people living in the Moreton Bay area will now have access to more service choices and more accommodation options," said Mr Gallimore.

"Multicap and Breakaway share many similarities, both have humble beginnings and a mission to support people living with disability to live vibrant and meaningful lives filled with opportunity.

"Breakaway was started in 1989 by a group of parents who were unable to find quality respite for their family members, and Multicap commenced in 1962 with five families wanting a better future for their children.

"Through this merger, we now look forward to a shared future together," Mr Gallimore said.

President of Breakaway Inc., Mrs Barbara Adams, expressed how pleased she was with the merger decision.

"The interests of our customers, staff, families and members have been at the centre of all our discussions, and I am delighted they have voted for a brighter expanded future," said Mrs Adams.

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**ABOUT MULTICAP:**

*Operating for almost 60 years, Multicap is one of the most highly regarded disability service providers in Queensland and northern New South Wales.*

*We are known for the range, breadth and excellence of our services, our approach to customer safety, and the outcomes achieved by the people who choose to be supported by us.*

*Multicap offers an individualised range of supports for people of all ages; in areas such as home and wellbeing, community and lifestyle, education and employment, creative arts, transport, positive behaviour support, and much more.*

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