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\$3.5m to New England TAFE's

The numerous TAFE campuses that make up the New England Institute of TAFE will receive a total of \$3.5m under the Federal Government's "Better TAFE Facilities Element of the Teaching and Learning Capital Fund for Vocational Education and Training".

The Independent Member for New England, Tony Windsor has welcomed the announcement by the Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon Julia Gillard MP.

"I am pleased to be advised by the Deputy Prime Minister, Julia Gillard that the New England Institute of TAFE will receive \$3.5m to undertake small capital works and refurbishment of its facilities at campuses across the region as well as to help procure new equipment.

TAFEs play a very important role in providing vocational education to people looking to develop their skills thereby making them more employable.

It is very important that our TAFE campuses be able to deliver high quality education opportunities as close to home as possible.

I thank the Government for their support of these facilities in the New England Electorate and look forward to positive outcomes for the communities they serve," Mr Windsor said.