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INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES AROUND TASMANIA

The Skills Institute has completed a range of upgrades to its teaching infrastructure under the Better TAFE Facilities element of the Federal Government's Teaching and Learning Capital Fund for Vocational Education and Training.

Projects completed in the last financial year include:

- Upgrading and procurement of equipment at the Metals Unit at Bender Drive in Hobart;
- Maintenance and procurement of equipment at the Burnie and Devonport campuses along with the Campbell St campus in Hobart;
- Upgrading and maintenance of equipment at the Clarence campus;
- Maintenance of equipment at campuses in Clarence, Hobart city and Alanvale near Launceston;
- Procurement of equipment for the Thynes Furniture Centre in Launceston.

Another major project under this funding is the Mobile Training Centre, which will be launched next month.

"In order to maintain our high standard of teaching throughout the State, we need the best equipment available," Skills Institute CEO Malcolm White said.

"The Better TAFE Facilities funding allows us to not only upgrade or procure updated equipment, but to also introduce exciting new products into the training market such as the Mobile Training Centre."

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