



Brighter Super builds momentum on its \$500 million Queensland Investment Strategy

Queensland's third-largest non-government financial institution*, Brighter Super, has reached the two-year mark of its five-year plan to invest an additional \$500 million in Queensland. Almost half has already been committed supporting real estate, agriculture, infrastructure and high-growth Queensland local businesses.

Speaking at the Queensland Futures Institute Finance Summit, Brighter Super CEO Kate Farrar said the fund is progressing strongly on its Queensland Investment Strategy (QIS) – a five-year commitment to invest an additional \$500 million across the state by 2029.

“The strategy is designed to ensure more of Queenslanders’ retirement savings are invested back into the state, while also ensuring the fundamentals stack up for our members. It represents a long-term commitment to Queensland’s economic future,” she said.

Ms Farrar said Queensland’s strong population growth, infrastructure pipeline and expanding innovation economy provide strong opportunities for investment, particularly in the lead-up to the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

This milestone builds on the more than \$1 billion which had been already invested in Queensland and reflects the fund’s continued long-term commitment to supporting the state where most of its members live and work.

“Brighter Super is ahead of schedule, with \$225 million already committed under the strategy with investments to date focused across four key sectors: property and logistics, agriculture, infrastructure and high-growth businesses,” she said.

As a core component of the state’s financial services sector, the fund manages \$37 billion in funds under management for more than 340,000 members as at 31 December 2025.

As a fund, Brighter Super is now the third-largest non-government financial institution* headquartered in Queensland. That is something the fund is proud of, but it also reflects a broader shift in the market.

“We have seen a decline in locally headquartered financial capability, raising an important question about who will continue backing Queensland into the future,” Ms Farrar said.

“For Brighter Super, that is as much a responsibility as it is an opportunity, to maintain a credible, locally focused investment capability that understands Queensland and can invest in the state with confidence.

“With around 85 per cent of our funds under management coming from Queensland members, we’re ensuring that Queensland’s retirement savings are invested back into projects that help secure the state’s future,” she said.

Key investments under the strategy, supported by Brighter Super’s investment partners, include:

- \$100 million Queensland real estate assets through global asset manager, Barings, focused on industrial and logistics assets across Southeast Queensland and regional hubs.
- \$75 million through the Queensland Regional Agriculture and Food Trust with Riparian, supporting regional producers, water assets and agricultural infrastructure.
- \$50 million partnership with QIC, backing high-growth Queensland companies in advanced manufacturing, agtech, aerospace and technology.

MEDIA RELEASE
20 May 2026



Investments have been made into Queensland assets across all our partners including a high-growth portfolio through QIC that includes Queensland-based start-up businesses such as Future Maintenance Technologies (FMT), Gilmour Space Technologies, SwarmFarm Robotics and ProcurePro.

“We will continue to invest with discipline, partnering with experienced managers and co-investors to ensure every Queensland investment meets the same return, risk and cost hurdles as anywhere else in our portfolio,” Ms Farrar said.

To learn more about how Brighter Super is backing Queensland’s future
brightersuper.com.au/qld-investments

ENDS

Media contact:

Ainsley Piggott, Account Director
Cole Lawson Communications
M: 0473 395 370
E: Ainsley.Piggott@colelawson.com.au

About Brighter Super:

Brighter Super is a 100% member-owned, Queensland-based superannuation fund, with over 340,000 members and managing more than \$37 billion in retirement savings as at 31 December 2025.

Following the merger of LGIASuper, Energy Super, and the acquisition of Suncorp Super, Brighter Super is proudly the third largest non-government financial institution* in Queensland.

The fund is dedicated to being right by members’ sides, empowering them to retire confidently with advice, focusing on solid performance and low fees.

For more information, please call Brighter Super on 1800 444 396 (in Australia).

*Based on assets under management of non-government financial institutions in Queensland.

Brighter Super Trustee (ABN 94 085 088 484 AFS Licence No. 230511) (“Trustee”) as trustee for Brighter Super (ABN 23 053 121 564) (“Fund”). Brighter Super may refer to the Trustee or the Fund as the context may be. Brighter Super products are issued by the Trustee on behalf of the Fund. This media release provides general information only and does not take into account your individual objectives, financial situation or needs. You should consider whether it is appropriate for your needs prior to making any decisions and consult a licensed financial advisor if you require advice. Obtain and consider the Product Disclosure Statement and Target Market Determination before making any decision to acquire any products. Visit <https://www.brightersuper.com.au/pds-and-guides>