



Children's charity boost

A FORMER bingo hall at Modbury North has been transformed into a state-of-the-art base for charity CanDo4Kids.

The Famechon Cres property has had a \$300,000 upgrade to serve the needs of hearing and vision impaired children and young adults.

The project includes office space, treatment and meeting rooms, a kitchen, activity hall and special playground equipment that plays songs and rhymes to help children with sensory problems.

Emma and Paul Hart, of Norwood, said the equipment was "brilliant" for daughter Amelia, 2, who struggles with depth perception and

identifying textures due to a condition called ocular albinism.

"It's the best I've ever seen for vision impaired children," Mrs Hart said.

"They can feel and touch with their toes and hands. It's safe but it's new and exciting, so she loves it."

CanDo4Kids CEO Judy Curran said most of the charity's clients were from Adelaide's north.

The Gully and District Cultural and Sporting Club and the Emu Cultural and Sporting Club gave the property to the charity in 2004. The upgrade was funded by a private donor, the late Ray Beaumont and state and federal grants.



PLAYTIME: Paul Hart and daughter Amelia, 2, at the CanDo4Kids new playground in Modbury North. Picture: Neale Winter HF448033