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WELCOME FROM OUR CEO

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and 2023 has started well for you and your loved ones.

For Anglicare WA's teams in the North-West, the new year brought a stark reminder of the challenges of living and working in remote, tropical communities. We had to close two of our offices as the drenching rains and floods roared across the West Kimberley. As always, these teams were soon back to work and focused with their colleagues and peers on the recovery effort, an effort that will take some time.

"Reflecting on these times, I am wondering how to capture the spirit that emerges during crisis, like the recent floods or the bushfires of 2019/20."

When people work together, traditional barriers come down and everyone focuses on the greater good. If only we could bring that urgency to ending poverty, or ensuring that everyone has a home, or stopping family violence.

As always, Christmas proved to be a time of heightened violence in families. This is a wellestablished pattern that we now seem to accept when what it needs is an emergency response.

Similarly, the housing crisis shows no signs of abating. East coast and west, metropolitan and



regional, the old and the young; right across this country more people every day are facing insecure housing and homelessness. We need an emergency response.

Turning our mind to poverty and the situation becomes bleaker. More than three quarters of a million Australian children live in poverty every day – that is one in six Australian children. In one of the wealthiest countries in the world, so many children are missing out. This needs an emergency response.

For me autumn is a time of reflection when the world prompts thoughts about change and impermanence. At Anglicare WA we hope to make poverty impermanent, to change our housing system so everyone has somewhere to live and to bring safety to all families. These are huge challenges we know; however, we think with the right people they are within range.

As you read on, please know we are very grateful for your support and that together we can achieve anything.

Mark GLASSON ANGLICARE WA CEO

COVER STARS! 1 Thread Together on Yagan Square Digital Tower: Thanks to Yagan Square and CBRE for hosting our Thread Together campaign, which diverts fashion from landfill to people in need; 2 Street Connect: Final stages of our bus artwork, which will help connect services and support people living on the streets; 3 Katie Biddulph, grade 11 student who raised \$5,050 for the Sleepout event; 4 Anglican Community Fund: Our ongoing supporter - thank you! 5 Pride: Our fiercely inclusive team who is proud to advocate for the LGBTQ+ community; 6 School Sleepout: A record number of students attended the 2022 event. 7 Home for the Holidays: Creative agency Wunderman Thompson created activations across Perth to remind the public that Christmas doesn't look the same for everyone.



Backpack appeal

In the lead up to Christmas, our East Perth office became a hub for giving, with hundreds of donated items sorted and packed, ready to be delivered to children and families who have been doing it tough.

Through the support of our partner schools and churches, we were able to distribute back-to-school and Christmas packs to various locations. Local schools raised funds and some bought new school supplies and bags. Parishes ran 'giving drives' which resulted in the delivery of carloads of Christmas gifts for children of all ages – we were able to give these to families who would not have much of a Christmas otherwise.

The school packs included pens, pencils, craft supplies, notebooks and some even had water bottles and lunch boxes. For a young person whose family is struggling financially or they've had to flee an unsafe situation, receiving brand new school gear can drastically boost their confidence as they return to school.

Thank you to the schools, parishes, and their communities who supported this giving. You have made the start of 2023 brighter for so many.

Special thank you to Sharon's family (above) for their next level backpack effort this year!

THANK YOU SUPPORTERS!

Channel Seven Telethon Trust,
Civmec, Anglican Community
Fund, Alcoa Foundation,
Austal Pty Ltd:
YOUNG HEARTS

Anglican Schools Commission,
The Wright Burt Foundation:
IT ONLY TAKES ONE

Archbishop of Perth:

Community Welfare Fund:

EMERGENCY RELIEF

Bankwest:
THREAD TOGETHER

City of Kwinana:
BUILDING RESILIENCE
IN PARENTS

City of Rockingham:
STAR: SUPPORTED TENANCY
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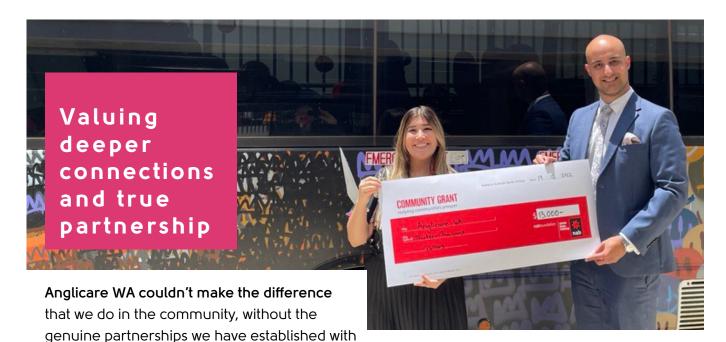
NAB Community Endowment,
The Wright Burt Foundation,
Azure Capital:
STREET CONNECT

Onslow School,
Chevron Australia:
HEADSPACE PILBARA

The Stan Perron Charitable
Foundation:
FOYER OXFORD

Wythenshawe Foundation:
MAKING ENDS MEET

22/08/2022 to present



our values-aligned corporate partners.

The mutual benefits of these partnerships far exceed the investment each business

makes in our different services.

As we support communities right across this vast state, Anglicare WA has established a wide network of partners across diverse sectors. This allows us to work together in better supporting the communities in which we operate. We truly value the insights that our corporate partners bring, and we regularly invite them to round table discussions to talk about a variety of topics including working towards net zero, tackling disadvantage and homelessness.

Ongoing supporter NAB, has seen the value of not only investing in our philanthropic efforts, but actively working together to see how the our organisations can support each other's staff and clients. NAB's belief in supporting the local community runs from the top down and has seen services like Street Connect be financially backed to ensure young people experiencing homelessness aren't left behind.

"Anglicare WA's work makes a significant difference and provides hope to people in our communities who are experiencing homelessness and hardship, escaping domestic violence or living in poverty."



OUR 2022 CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Because of YOU, children like Grace* will be able to continue to receive trauma-informed counselling and support to heal from family and domestic violence experiences. Young Hearts guides children and young people through the healing process, creating safety and stability, and ensures the child is well supported by providing education for schools and staff. The demand for this program is growing across our state. Our Young Hearts counsellors do their best to keep children who are waitlisted connected and supported, as well as their primary caregiver, so their safety is not compromised during this time. Thank you to everyone who supported our recent Christmas Appeal, you have helped keep the doors to Young Hearts open.

MEET OUR NEW LEADERS

Helping us foster stronger connections with First Nations peoples

Anglicare WA has long been committed to working closely with Aboriginal peoples, reconciliation and acknowledging the traditional owners of this land and the knowledge they hold. However, in order to learn, grow and truly 'walk the walk', two new roles have been created to help foster a stronger connection and cultural awareness as an organisation.



Leone Cottam-Williams, Director, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Engagement



"WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO ACHIEVE IN YOUR NEW ROLE?"

"I'm super excited that new roles have been created at Anglicare WA celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander knowledges. One thing I would hope to achieve in this role is for the Cultural Intelligence of the organisation, the staff and anyone that they touch lifts, to create a better environment for everyone to thrive."

"WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO IN YOUR NEW ROLE?"

"Ensuring our services are culturally safe and secure, and strengthening our partnerships with Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations across WA."



PERTH'S IMMERSIVE GALA EXPERIENCE

- An electrifying evening bursting with entertainment
 - Three-course meal & beverage package
 - Major charity raffle & auctions
 - A live wedding?!

Saturday 6 May 2023 6pm Crown Towers Ballroom

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It Only Takes One

It Only Takes One was designed by Anglicare WA to engage students and teachers on important social issues – to equip them with

the knowledge and skills needed to make a difference in their communities.

Our Education Officers cover three topics across the year: Poverty and

Inequality, Mental Health and Wellbeing, and Healthy Relationships.

Research shows one in 6 young women report physical and/or sexual abuse before the age of 15, whilst one in 4 young people think it's 'pretty normal' for guys to pressure girls into sex.

The Healthy Relationships sessions help students understand what it takes to have respectful relationships and to eliminate behaviours and attitudes that enable gendered violence to flourish. Through age-appropriate content, students are equipped with skills they need to navigate these real-life experiences.

It Only Takes One delivers tailored, age-appropriate educational content, either in-person or online, to high schools at no cost. Sessions can be tailored to each school to suit their needs.

Anglicare WA delivers family and domestic violence services in communities across the state from the Kimberley to



"In 2023 we are excited to expand this program to more schools"

the Great Southern, where we operate the region's only shelter for women and children escaping an abusive home. Closer to Perth we run Young Hearts, a philanthropically funded service unique to Anglicare WA, that supports children and young people traumatised by family and domestic violence through art therapy. We also work with the perpetrators of violence through our men's behaviour change services, delivered in prisons and communities across WA.

While these services are life-changing – and lifesaving in many cases - we know if we are to truly end family and domestic violence in our communities, primary prevention is vital to address the underlying drivers of gendered violence, through programs like It Only Takes One.



We want to hear from you!

We would like to open the floor for feedback and give you the chance to update your preferences. Scanning the QR Code will open up a form where you can tell us what you think about the communications you are receiving from us.

TOPICS

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

POVERTY
INEQUALITY
HOMELESSNESS

MENTAL HEALTH
WELL-BEING

IT ONLY TAKES ONE

In your school in 2023!

ELIGIBILITY

In 2023, It Only Takes One will be available to all secondary schools in the Perth and Peel regions for in-person sessions, with online modules available for those in regional schools.

AGE GROUP

Years 7 - 12

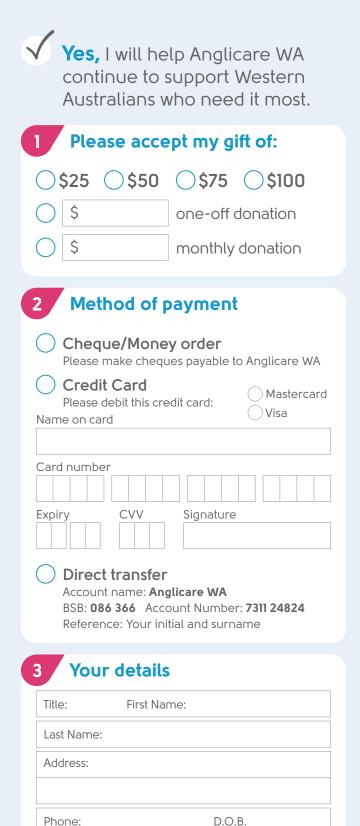
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FREE, thanks to government and philanthropic support.

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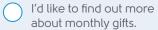


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