



Cornerstone Contact Centre Gazette August 2023

Homelessness Week Event at Harmony Square



Hi friends,

August has been a big month for advocacy and raising awareness on some important challenges that our community face. August 7 - 13 marked National Homelessness Week, a week to raise awareness about the significant impact of the shortage of affordable housing in Australia. Our team attended the Greater Dandenong Homelessness Week event and talked with community members about the many services and support we provide.

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We also hosted the team from Monash Health Drug and Alcohol Services, who sponsored a Cornerstone meal to mark International Overdose Awareness Day, 31st August. The team from Monash Health provided overdose response training to community members and volunteers. This training in the use of naloxone is a simple and effective treatment to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. It is wonderful to partner with the Monash Health NSP team and celebrate the wonderful work they do raising awareness and supporting community members who struggle with addiction.

Thank you once again to all our friends who support the Cornerstone community in so many ways. Your prayers, donations, care and support make such a difference.

*Naomi Paterson
CEO, Cornerstone Contact Centre*

Donate



Leanne and Jeff from Monash Health provided a delicious meal and first aid training about overdose response for the Cornerstone community this week (above).

A quiet reflective space at Cornerstone to remember friends lost to overdose this International Overdose Awareness Day (below).





Debbie Holmes from the Avalon Centre and Cornerstone founder Barb Siddall, preparing Avalon's clothing donations for community members.

Set up regular donations here

Regular Cornerstone meals and programs:

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Tuesdays:

Breakfast toasties served from 9am
Orange Sky mobile laundry service, 9.30am - 12.30pm
Gardening Club 10am - 12noon
Cornerstone regular lunch program 12noon
Fresh food parcels from 10am

Thursdays:

Dinner 5.30pm, 1st, 2nd and 3rd week of the month
(Thursday dinners provided by partner agencies Noel Social Services, and the Lion's Club Supper Club)

Fridays:

Breakfast toasties served from 9am
Cornerstone regular lunch program 12noon
Second and Fourth Friday in month, ATO Breakfast 7.30am - 9am
Fresh food parcels from 10am
Orange Sky mobile laundry service, 9.30am - 12.30pm every Friday
One Voice shower van 10am - 1pm every Friday
The Avalon Centre clothing, 2nd Friday of the month

Meal programs are held at Dandenong Baptist Church, 25-27 James Street
Dandenong

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