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Cornerstone Contact Centre Gazette
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Celebrating National Volunteer Week!



Kitchen Manager JJ (front) with volunteers (from left) Barb, Julie, Saabirh and Debbie.

Hi friends,

I hope you are doing well.

This week is National Volunteer Week! What a wonderful opportunity to recognise and thank our wonderful team of volunteers.

We are a small team with only three staff members, but our committed volunteer team help ensure that Cornerstone has a tremendous impact supporting those in need.

Each week we serve fresh and nutritious meals to hundreds of community members and provide emergency relief and other support to people who are experiencing homelessness. This is made possible through the support of our community, donors, and of course our dedicated volunteer team. I continue to be encouraged by the way that our volunteers care for and serve those in need.

Wishing you all a wonderful week, and may you be encouraged (as I am!) by the tremendous work being done by the many volunteers in our community.

*Naomi Paterson
CEO, Cornerstone Contact Centre*



Regular volunteers Barb and Debbie help serve the lunch.



Volunteer Saabirh helps serve dessert at our Tuesday community lunch.

Support the Important Work of Cornerstone Contact Centre:

We need your support.

To donate towards our ongoing community programs via Give Now, click below; all donations \$2 and over are tax deductible.

[Cornerstone's annual appeal](#)

To Make a Regular Contribution;

[Support Cornerstone with a regular donation](#)

Other ways to support Cornerstone

Arrange a fundraiser at your workplace, school or church. Some fundraising ideas include hosting a sausage sizzle, a morning tea or a car boot sale, with proceeds going towards our work supporting the homeless and vulnerable.

Sponsor a meal! Your family or business can sponsor a two-course meal for 70 people. Photos and business details will be featured in our newsletter and social media.

Organise a Crowd Raiser to fundraise through Give Now, our online giving platform. Contact our team, or visit the Give Now page through the link above, to find out how to set up a Crowd Raiser. Then, post the link to social media and share the cause with your friends. It's easy!

Chat with your workplace about setting up staff giving, and you and your colleagues could make a small monthly contribution that is tax deductible.

Talk to your child's school about supporting Cornerstone with proceeds from their next gold-coin day.

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
(Thursday dinners provided by various partner agencies, including Noel Social Services, the Lion's Club Supper Club, and the Rotary Club of Greater Dandenong and Endeavour Hills)

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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