

Who are Communities for Children?

Communities for Children—Onkaparinga is an Australian Government Initiative funded under the Family Support Program and is a partnership between Anglicare SA and UnitingCare Wesley Adelaide.

Communities for Children works with existing services and networks to help improve outcomes and the well-being of children in the areas of health, early learning, development and support for families and parents.

Communities for Children addresses the needs of children 0-12 years and their families to help give them the best possible start in life both directly and within the contexts of their family, their community and the broader social, economic and cultural environments that they live in.

To take the challenge contact...

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Take the Challenge!

Is your business
child/family friendly?



Below is a list of simple things that help make a business child/family friendly.

- Children and families are welcomed with respect and are valued and supported
- The entrance is welcoming and doors open easily
- Aisles are wide and unobstructed
- Spaces are safe, welcoming, colourful and fun
- Employees understand the needs of families with young children
- Parking for families with young children is available
- Managers are supportive in finding ways for employees to balance work and family
- Flexible working hours are made available to employees with young children
- Workplace policies are sensitive and supportive to the family responsibilities of employees
- Information is available on local services for employees
- Feedback and suggestions regarding child/family friendly practices are encouraged and valued
- Local activities involving families are supported where possible



How you can help...

Take an interest and have pride in your community

Be observant

- How well do your service provision, premises and workplace policies meet the needs of families with children?
- How could they be improved?

Ask questions

- Asking Questions about child/family friendly is one of the best ways to increase your knowledge and show your interest
- Asking employees and customers questions and having conversations about being child/family friendly can help create ideas for improvements

Act on suggestions and feedback

- By making child/family friendly changes you can make your business more attractive to existing and potential customers
- If you are not in a position to make changes, help customer and employee observations be heard by someone who is

Communities for Children have created a Child/Family Friendly Charter and information pack to support businesses to become more child/family friendly

Further support is available through Child/Family Friendly Business Incentives and Business Awards