

MEMBERS' UPDATE

March 2018

Dear AnglicareSA Members,

Earlier this month we launched our exciting new partnership with Thread Together. Thread Together is an organisation that collects new, end-of-line stock from clothing providers. With the support of volunteers, the clothes are sorted by age, gender, and purpose and redistributed to people in need through charities across Australia.

Thanks to our partnership with Thread Together we will be able to provide our customers with new clothing, free of charge, which they would otherwise not be in a position to own. Thread Together is more than just a clothing supplier; they offer a dignified and positive service, giving customers choice to select clothing that suits their needs and tastes. We hope the service will help build confidence and self-esteem, and enable people to rebuild their lives.

AnglicareSA has two vans, Pam and Helen, named after our key volunteers below, fitted out as mobile wardrobes for the delivery of stock. One van will deliver to our outer Northern and inner Northern sites, and the other to our inner Southern and outer Southern sites. Programs will be able to submit their orders online for clothing to be delivered to their site, as well as invite AnglicareSA customers to come along and select clothing from the van. Thread Together Stylists will accompany the drivers each day to assist with styling customers to their individual needs.

We have recruited over 12 volunteers and are continuing to recruit volunteers as the success of this program will rely heavily on the commitment of our wonderful volunteers.



Representatives from the Thread Together partnership: **Paul Crawford**, Managing Director of CMI Toyota, **Olive Bennell**, AnglicareSA Senior Manager, Community and Cultural Partnerships, **Pam Aulich** and **Helen Power**, Thread Together volunteers who the mobile wardrobes have been named after, **Greg Fisher**, CEO, Thread Together.

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Adelaide Commits to Functional Zero Homelessness by 2020

The Adelaide Zero Project is continuing to progress, with more than 30 organisations now committed to the aim of achieving Functional Zero homelessness in Adelaide's CBD within two years. Last month politicians from all parties (pictured below with members of the Steering Group) also signed on to support the Zero Project's 2020 target.

It is heartening to see the number of organisations signing up to the 2020 target. Collective action to achieve a Housing First solution is the only way to approach Adelaide's homelessness and housing challenges. We know from the work we do that there is a strong interconnection between having a stable home, a secure job, and good physical and mental health.

Work can now start on the implementation plan, which includes:

- Hutt Street Centre to run a Connections Week to confirm the names of all the people sleeping rough on any given night in Adelaide's CBD.
- Neami National to establish and maintain a 'by name list' of every person sleeping rough throughout the year.
- Don Dunstan Foundation to develop an online Dashboard to track the number of people sleeping rough and those moved to secure housing.
- City of Adelaide to form a Business Alliance to End Homelessness.
- End Homelessness SA to develop a Charter that can be signed on to by project partners, community organisations, businesses and individuals wanting to demonstrate their commitment to the Adelaide Zero Project.
- Don Dunstan Foundation to establish a number of Solutions Labs to provide a platform for those with lived experience, concerned citizens and relevant community organisations to share their knowledge about any ongoing problems the sector continues to face, and how together innovative solutions can be developed.
- For our part, Anglicare SA will develop an Aligned Housing Plan to ensure housing is prioritised for people on the 'by name list'.



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500 Rymill House Wrap-Up

AnglicareSA and the Rymill House Foundation came together to host a fundraising event during the recent Adelaide 500 car race to raise funds for a new initiative aimed at supporting young people when they leave care at 18 years old. The Youth Footprints program will seek to strengthen a young person's independent living skills through mentoring, education, employment opportunities and community connections.



The 500 Rymill House event was held from Thursday 1 March to Sunday 4 March in a hospitality tent on the grounds of Rymill House Estate on East Terrace. Around 500 guests enjoyed food, drinks and hospitality across the four day event. We raised approximately \$25,000 for Youth Footprints through the live and silent auctions, as well as the sale of raffle tickets over the four days.



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Autumn Appeal 2018



As you would be aware, an increasing number of young people in our community have a rough start to life with issues such as poverty, family violence, mental illness and substance abuse affecting their education, social and career prospects.

We recently launched our Autumn Appeal, which will support young people through two of our programs, Turning Point and Power Generation. Letters have been sent to all of our supporters and we are also promoting the appeal through our website and social media. To find out more about the campaign, or to donate, please

[visit our website.](#)

New Independent Living Units

We are currently undertaking a small, but exciting development of four Independent Living Units (ILUs) at Dutton Mews, Elizabeth East. These new units will add to the existing ILUs at Dutton Mews, and will be co-sited with the Dutton Court Residential Aged Care facility.

The new ILUs will increase AnglicareSA's ability to provide quality retirement living within the northern suburbs community. The project involves multiple teams across the organisation, including Aged Care Services, Development and Projects, and the Dutton Court team.

The site is currently being prepared for commencement, as shown in the photograph below, and we will provide updates as the project progresses toward completion.



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BPSC Tenant Talks to HousingWORKS



One of our tenants from the Better Places, Stronger Communities program was interviewed recently for the Australasian Housing Institute's magazine, HousingWORKS. Tony Barnden lives in a unit complex in Elizabeth Vale managed by AnglicareSA, and spoke of his positive experience living in social housing since we took over management of the units in recent years. Tony talked favourably about maintenance, the sense of community and our commitment to involving tenants in decision making. You can read the story online: <http://housinginfo.com.au/meet-a-new-tenant-tony-barnden/>

Success again for the Housing Team!



The Housing team have received a big tick of approval from the Housing Regulator for our Annual Compliance return. We have been a Tier One National Community Housing Provider for four years now, an accreditation that comes with stringent reporting requirements and many metrics we have to comply with across seven keys areas. These are: Tenancy Management; Housing Assets; Community Engagement; Governance; Probity: Management and Financial Viability.

For our tenants this means we provide a quality service (often above that of which is required) and our tenant satisfaction rate was reported at 94 per cent. What a great acknowledgement of all the hard work our staff do. Congratulations to everyone who plays an ongoing part in this magnificent achievement!

St Peter's College Service Learning Expo



Through the engagement and partnership with our Anglican School community, Anglicarers **Maria Reveruzzi** (pictured) and **Ramona Reynolds-Smith** recently had the opportunity to speak to the students from St Peter's College at their Service Learning Expo.

It was a great chance for the boys to meet representatives from various service organisations including AnglicareSA, and for us to provide further information about the various programs and services that we offer.

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The students were able to ask questions about possible volunteer roles that they might be interested in at AnglicareSA as part of completing their community service across the wider community. This is very much part of the St Peter's College fundamental learning objectives in social justice and community care.

We had a great response from the boys attending on the day, who asked lots of questions and we are very much looking forward to welcoming them on board as AnglicareSA volunteers throughout the year.

AnglicareSA Photographic Poster Display at St Peter's Cathedral

We have been showcasing the work of AnglicareSA through a poster display at St Peter's Cathedral. Focusing on the diverse work of AnglicareSA these simple and captivating photographic images invite a journey to discover the human dimensions of this work and its resonance with Christian faith and life.

The nineteen posters seek to portray the Vision, Mission and Values of AnglicareSA together with twelve different service areas. Printed information on the range of our services is also being made available.

We often see an increase in visitors to the Cathedral during the Festival time, so the poster display is a perfect opportunity to work in conjunction with our parish community and promote AnglicareSA. The display is on until 18 March during normal Cathedral opening hours.



Anglicarers Peter Burke, Lur Alghurabi, Jill Rivers and Dean of St Peter's Cathedral, Frank Nelson.

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Encountering Anglicanism launches into 2018

Eleven Anglicarers joined three Visiting Anglicans for the first session of Encountering Anglicanism for 2018 on Wednesday 28 February at the Western Hub.

Conversation over lunch focused on the capacity of the Anglican Church to instigate and mobilise change and the process of Synodical Governance and decision making, both local and national. There was also some discussion of the Anglican Church in relation to other Christian Churches and other faith traditions.

So far 91 Anglicarers have completed the session with another session being planned for May.



Pictured left to right: **Teresa Bryant, Wen Tian, Lur Alghurabi, Bernie Goodwin, Louise Smith, Kathryn Eaton, Sonja Kuipers, Alisha Yadav, Rob Foggo, David Covington Groth** (Visiting Anglican – St Michael’s Mitcham and AnglicareSA Board Member), **Hansi Samarawickrama, Richard Hubert, Anne Nadge** (Visiting Anglican – St Barnabas Theological College), **Nic Denny – Dimitriou** (Visiting Anglican – Parish of Coromandel Valley) and **Peter Burke**

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Anglicarer takes part in Queen's Baton Relay



AnglicareSA Elizabeth East Chef **Dennis Kittel** was part of the team to carry the Queen's Baton along Gouger Street on Sunday 18 February, a proud moment for Dennis, his family and the Elizabeth East team.

Dennis was nominated to be a part of this monumental event thanks to his 30 years of volunteer service, including nine years with CFS and SES, Road Rescue (jaws of life) in the Kimba, Iron Knob region, and 21 years with St John's Ambulance, where he volunteered at local regional events, and was Silver commander at state emergencies.

Congratulations Dennis for your outstanding service to the community and being chosen to participate in such an amazing event.

Correction – Knitted with Kindness

In a recent TGIF/the last Member's Update we included a story about a knitting group from St Peter's Cathedral who have knitted blankets for the Magdalene Centre. We incorrectly stated that this knitting group was known as the Lunch Club, however the Lunch Club are only one of the groups who have helped knit the blankets. The group responsible is known as the Knitting Team of St Peter's Cathedral. We apologise for this error.

Until next month,

The Reverend Peter Sandeman
Chief Executive Officer
AnglicareSA