



# Head, Hearts and Hands Service Learning Program



## Year 10 Anglicare Ambassador Program “Advocating for others”

### Overview

Anglicare Ambassadors have a dual role in that they support both Anglicare and The Salvation Army with a united goal of providing support to the homeless living within the community of Perth.

To begin, the Anglicare Ambassadors work with Anglicare WA and through their Schools Program, develop leadership, advocacy and teambuilding skills to create awareness within the school environment about community need. The service component of this program promotes direct service to the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. It also fund raises for Anglicare WA's Street Connect service, who offer care to youth who find themselves homeless.

The Ambassadors also partner with the Salvation Army at their Perth Fortress located in Northbridge where they work with the Street Team feeding Perth's homeless. Students work an All Saints' College teacher and a Salvation Army Street Team member to provide hot drinks, soup, pies and sandwiches at two locations in the Perth CBD.

### Timing

Anglicare Ambassadors operate in the role for the period of a year.

Students will work with the Salvation Army Northbridge Morning Street Team for three Wednesday mornings per term – 6.30am to 9.30am.

Ambassadors will also be required to attend three combined schools events.

Students are also expected to take part in the combined school Sleep Out at Perth Cathedral to raise both awareness of the need in Perth and funds for 'Street Connect'

### Curriculum Links:

#### **General Capabilities:**

##### *Personal and Social Capability*

- Contribute to civil society - plan, implement and evaluate ways of contributing to civil society at local, national regional and global levels
- Communicate effectively - formulate plans for effective communication (verbal, nonverbal, digital) to complete complex tasks
- Work collaboratively - critique their ability to devise and enact strategies for working in diverse teams, drawing on the skills and contributions of team members to complete complex tasks
- Develop leadership skills - propose, implement and monitor strategies to address needs prioritised at local, national, regional and global levels, and communicate these widely

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## Engagement with All Saints' College Four Pillars of Service Learning

### **Intentional Learning:**

- To connect students from Anglican schools with the work of Anglicare WA.
- To create awareness within the school environment about community need, particularly in regards to homelessness, and promotes service knowledge. It also fund raises for Anglicare "Street Connect" WA's service.
- To build awareness and understanding regarding the causes of homelessness and to encourage young adults to find ways to be proactive in our care of those living without shelter.
- To advocate for the needs and rights of the homeless with students, parents, teachers, Old Saints and the broader population.

### **Meaningful Service:**

The service that is available through this program is found when students develop an understanding of the experiences and challenges faced by those who are homeless. Opportunities are provided for students to make a direct contribution and positive difference to these community members through their work with the Morning Street Team. Through fundraising and advocacy work students are also able to educate their peers whilst providing financial support to Anglicare's Street Connect bus and therefore aiding at risk teenagers living on Perth's streets.

### **Diversity:**

The diversity of this program comes from providing students with the opportunity to connect with community members who are experiencing homelessness. By developing an understanding of the situations faced by others in the community, students are able to break down stereotypes associated with homelessness.

### **Partnership:**

This program is a part of our ongoing partnership with the Anglican Board of Mission.