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Uniting WA and Foodbank WA join forces to establish two new mobile locations.

With the rising cost of living, we know that money has been tight this year for many individuals and families, which has led to food insecurity. That's why Uniting WA is proud to have supported the expansion of two new Mobile Foodbank locations in Perth's northern suburbs.

In August 2021, Uniting WA Financial Counsellor Paul Jordan helped to establish a new Mobile Foodbank location in Yanchep. Foodbank WA now visits Yanchep Men's Shed (2 Bracknell Street, Yanchep) every Tuesday from 9:30am to 10:30am.

In April 2022, Uniting WA also supported Foodbank WA to establish a new Mobile Foodbank location in Two Rocks. Supported by Uniting WA volunteers and financial counsellors, the van operates every Tuesday from 11:30am to 12:15pm in the Phil Renkin Recreation Centre car park (59 Lisford Avenue, Two Rocks).

If you or someone you know needs access to Mobile Foodbank services, call the Financial Counselling Network's Emergency Relief and Food Access Service on 1800 979 777. You can also call Uniting WA on 9220 1255 to speak to a member of our Financial Wellbeing team.

Your support can make a difference this winter.

The pressure on individuals and families in Western Australia has never been greater. As a result, more and more people are experiencing hardship and financial insecurity.

This winter, many West Australians are having to make tough choices between keeping a roof over their heads, putting food on the table, or paying their bills.

At Uniting WA, we're experiencing increasing demand, and people are seeking practical help more than ever before. That's why we're asking for your help.

By supporting the Uniting WA Winter Appeal, you can provide a little hope and peace of mind to the people we support.

Every donation, big or small, makes a big difference. We thank you for considering us.

You can donate online at: unitingwa.org.au/get-involved/donate. You can also donate by calling 1300 663 298 or sending a cheque or money order (along with the enclosed donation slip) to Uniting WA, GPO Box B74, Perth WA 6383.

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Uniting WA Board appoints Co-Chief Executive Officers.

In May 2022, the Board of Uniting WA announced the appointment of Jen Park and Michael Chester as Co-Chief Executive Officers.

Jen and Michael served in the position of Interim Co-Chief Executive Officers since the departure of previous CEO, Amanda Hunt, in December last year. During their time in the interim role, they have successfully led the organisation through a period of ongoing change and development.

Jen and Michael bring a wealth of knowledge to the role, having previously served at Uniting WA in the positions of Chief Organisational Development and Change Officer and Chief Operating Officer, respectively.

Uniting WA remains focused on its strategy to work with the people it supports, government, sector partners and the wider community to create a just society in which all people can thrive. With a strong foundational legacy and ongoing relationships with the Uniting Church and fellow agencies, the Uniting Board and team look forward to fostering a brighter future for the people we serve.

Are you looking to join a team that sets you up for success?

A career at Uniting WA isn't just another job. You'll be joining a team of carers, thinkers, doers and darers who make a real difference through their work.

With flexible hours and work arrangements, you'll be encouraged to use your individual skills and life experience to support others to live their best lives.

We also offer five weeks' annual leave, salary packaging options, corporate discounts, learning and development opportunities, paid parental leave and access to our Employee Assistance Program.

Learn more about career opportunities by visiting unitingwa.org.au/join-the-team.



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Timothy finds a job at the bakery.

When Timothy started as a Uniting WA Participant at the start of this year, he told his support worker he wanted to get a job.

Our team connected him with an employment agency and helped him update his resume.

Timothy was offered a job at his local bakery, and after completing a three-day trial, he was hired.

Our team called Timothy after his trial to see how it went. Timothy answered the phone and said, "Hello, it's the working man."

"It feels great getting a job. It gives me something to do during the day and a sense of accomplishment," said Timothy.

When asked about his favourite part of the job, Timothy said, "The social aspect of working there, getting orders filled and ready to be delivered or picked up and sent out to other places around Albany ... and eating the products - they are so yummy."

The Uniting WA team congratulates Timothy on his new job and wishes him all the best for the future.

Volunteers in full force during Reconciliation Week.

Volunteer power was in full force at our Tranby Engagement Hub during Reconciliation Week.

Teams of amazing Uniting WA volunteers gathered at Tranby on Friday, 3 June, to prepare and serve delicious kangaroo stew with veg and damper, followed by scrumptious apple crumble and custard.

The Tranby and volunteer teams worked collectively as a well-oiled machine, supporting each other to ensure the day went well.

The vibe was one of appreciation as service users, volunteers, and the Tranby team tucked in and shared stories.



Thank you for supporting the Uniting Tranby Engagement Hub.

Uniting WA would like to thank everyone who has donated much-needed items during our Tranby Toiletries Drive. We'd also like to thank Star Street Uniting Church for their ongoing support and offering to be a collection point for donations during the drive.



Introducing our new Children's Counselling Service.

We're proud to announce the launch of our Children's Counselling Service, supporting children, young people and their families to manage and overcome the complex challenges of day-to-day life.

Our highly skilled and experienced counsellors adopt a person-centred approach, meaning that counselling and support is tailored to meet the unique needs of each child, young person and/or their families.

We provide a safe, non-judgemental space to encourage a therapeutic relationship that facilitates healing and growth, along with the development of self-esteem, resilience and healthy relationships.

If you're interested in learning more about our Children's Counselling service, visit unitingwa.org.au/children. You can also call us on 1300 663 298 or email us at ccs@unitingwa.org.au.

98five Sonshine FM supporting Uniting WA.

We want to give a big shout out to 98five Sonshine FM, who are collecting much-needed items to support people who access our Transitioning from Homelessness service.

Uniting WA is excited to be a partner of 98five's Heart for the Homeless appeal, which is running throughout July.

Last year, 9,000 items were donated during the appeal, including sleeping bags, socks, and hygiene supplies. This year, 98five is hoping to break the 10,000 item barrier.

Tune in to 98five to hear interviews, stories, and information about how you can get involved in this year's appeal.

For more information about 98five, visit 98five.com visit their Facebook page.



Sonshine FM announcers Chris "Lockie" Lock and Jeziel Anderson with students from St Stephen's.

