

Winter Appeal 2018



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Winter Appeal

- Help us to help others when they need it most
- Takes place during May, June, July & August
- Raises awareness of pressing issues such as homelessness, cost of living pressures and energy affordability
- Raises much-needed funds and material goods to support people experiencing hardship locally



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Homelessness in Australia



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The 2016 Census revealed:

- In NSW on Census night there were 37,715 people experiencing homelessness – an increase of 37% from 2011
- 2,588 were sleeping rough - an increase of 35%
- 16,821 were living in overcrowded conditions - an increase of 74%
- The rate of homelessness for young people aged 19-24 increased by 92% and is twice that of the general population
- The rate of older people experiencing homelessness has increased by 24%

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Homelessness and Affordable Housing



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Housing is a core human right and the foundation everyone needs for full economic and community participation.

The most common reasons people experience homelessness are:

1. domestic and family violence (21%)
2. financial difficulties (15%)
3. housing crisis (13%).



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Community Support is crucial



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With your help we can provide assistance to people experiencing:

- Homelessness
- Family violence
- Mental health issues
- Drug, alcohol and gambling addiction

We also provide assistance to:

- People living with disabilities
- Young people facing hardships
- Migrants and refugees
- Community support is crucial

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How Vinnies conferences helped June – Aug 2017



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Vinnies Conference Members helped people by providing assistance with food, utility and phone bills, transport costs, clothing, blankets and accommodation.

They provided:

- \$4,369,013 amount of assistance to people experiencing disadvantage
- \$1,526,152 amount in energy and Energy Accounts Payment Assistance (EAPA) vouchers

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How you can support the **Winter Appeal**



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- **Make a donation** using our Winter Appeal envelopes, donating online calling 13 18 12
- **Organise a drive for hampers**, clothing, sleeping bags, non-perishable food or toiletries
- **Hold your own fundraising event** and raise much-needed funds to help people in need this Winter
- **Leave a gift to Vinnies in your Will** for future generations
- **Volunteer** with St Vincent de Paul Society – speak to your local Conference member about how you can get involved

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How your donations help



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Care
and assist
packages.

\$50



Safety
in a crisis.

\$200



Food
for a week.

\$80



Rent and
stability.

\$1,000

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**SHE SHOULDN'T
HAVE TO CHOOSE**

**BETWEEN VIOLENCE AT HOME,
OR SLEEPING ON THE STREET.**

Jenny's life is full of impossible choices. Her children have had to face hunger, cold and insecurity. She didn't think she had another option.

You can give Jenny another choice.

PLEASE DONATE GENEROUSLY THIS WINTER.

Give through your parish, by calling 13 18 12
or visiting vinnies.org.au

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