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**North West Community Services Celebrates National Neighbourhood Centre Week**

**"Building a Stronger Community Together"**

As part of National Neighbourhood Centre Week, North West Community Services proudly joins centres across the country in celebrating the vital role neighbourhood centres play in strengthening local communities.

Under the 2025 theme **"Ripples of Change,"** North West Community Services reaffirms its commitment to fostering **trust, relationships, and capacity**, providing **meaningful activities**, and offering a **voice for emerging needs** across the region.

Neighbourhood centres are more than just meeting places — they are essential community anchors. They respond to local needs, reduce social isolation, and create opportunities for people to connect, grow, and thrive. As recent research shows, Australia's neighbourhood centres contribute over **\$3.2 billion to GDP annually**, delivering high social and economic returns on investment through grassroots services and community-led support.

"Whether it's food relief, skills training, mental health support or simply a welcoming space to connect, neighbourhood centres are helping build the fabric of our communities," said Angela Van Dyke, CEO of North West Community Services.

This week, North West Community Services is hosting a series of inclusive events, inviting locals to come together, share stories, and celebrate what makes their community strong. We also have an important fundraising campaign, **Dollars for Dignity**, which supports our emergency relief program. Join our facebook page or contact the team to receive up to date information.

National Neighbourhood Centre Week runs from 12-18 May, with more than 1,000 centres nationwide participating.

For more information on local events or to get involved, please contact our team at 9627 3622 or on <https://www.facebook.com/northwestcommunityservices/>

