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The DDF Homelessness Week Series - Online Events, Articles and more

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# **August 3 - 7 Homelessness Week Special Edition**



#### 2020 Homelessness Week Series

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Welcome to this bulletin outlining our program of content for Homelessness Week 2020!

Starting today, this year's Homelessness Week is more important than ever. With thousands of people experiencing homelessness in our country, we are shining a light on solutions that can improve the lives of many.

Since March, our partners in the Adelaide Zero Project have been working with government and other partners to find temporary and ongoing housing for people throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. This has been very challenging work, but safety for those rough sleeping has been paramount. Currently, our Project data shows us that there are 348 people in the inner city of Adelaide who are actively homeless. With the coming time very uncertain for our community and economy, we know that we still have challenges ahead.

The Don Dunstan Foundation team have created a diverse and thought-provoking program of content and events to mark Homelessness Week. With differing content each day, we aim to share ideas and knowledge to inspire action for a fairer world.

All events and articles in our Homelessness Week Series are open to all and at no cost because of the support of our major sponsor, the Capital City Committee. So please sign up to any events of interest below.

Best wishes,

Ritchie Hollands, Executive Director

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# **Homelessness Week Series**



#### Monday 3 August - Dr John Falzon Opinion Piece

Sociologist and poet Dr John Falzon is an inspirational speaker and social justice advocate. Dr Falzon's opinion editorial published today contains a commentary on the current state of homelessness, why a Housing First approach is critical and how appropriate support is essential for people experiencing homelessness.

READ INDAILY OPINION EDITORIAL HERE.









### Tuesday 4 August - Adelaide Zero Project, **Community Briefing**

Time: 12.00 pm - 1.00 pm (Adelaide time)

Where: Online (free)

The Adelaide Zero Project is a nation-leading initiative that aims to end street homelessness in Adelaide's inner city.

Our webinar will provide a brief update on Adelaide Zero Project's activities and share how Adelaide Zero Project's innovative model enabled a comprehensive and successful COVID-19 response for people sleeping rough across Government and community sectors. It will also share insights gained through this time, including the latest research and data.

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#### Wednesday 5 August - Collective Impact Story

On Wednesday we will be releasing the Health, Housing and Homelessness Papers with a unique look into the collective impact framework we use to collaborate.

Partner organisations of the Adelaide Zero Project have been working collaboratively to apply a public health framework of prevention to address root causes of homelessness. These papers have been developed to help articulate the structural and systemic changes, and the range of preventative approaches, that may be required to 'turn off the tap'.

You can access the papers on Wednesday 5 August at 12.00 pm from our homelessness week site.

VIEW HERE.











Time: 9.30 am - 10.30 am (Adelaide time)

Where: Online (free)

Our online panel will reflect on the current pandemic and the impacts it has had on people experiencing homelessness. Featuring our most recent Thinker in Residence and homelessness expert, Dr Nonie Brennan, Senior Advisor, Institute of Global Homelessness & former CEO, All Chicago, as well as Professor Chris Leishman, Director, Centre for Housing, Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Adelaide.

The Foundation's Chairperson, the Hon. Dr Jane Lomax-Smith AM, will be the moderator for this panel.

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#### Friday 7 August - University Student Challenge -**Creative Responses to Homelessness**

The Foundation has invited students from our partner organisations, University of Adelaide and Flinders University, to delve into the complex issue of homelessness. Students have responded to the guestions 'What will the state of homelessness be in the future?' and created a piece in a mixed media format of their choice.

The objective is to raise the profile of homelessness as a social issue and investigate the current knowledge base and perspectives from other students or the general community. There are some incredible submissions, all of which will be made live on our website at noon on Friday 7 August.

A winner from each University will be featured in our next E-News.

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# **BONUS - Homelessness, Housing and Children Interview, Presentation and Article**

Children living in housing instability/homelessness often fall through the gaps in service delivery. They represent the invisible face of homelessness.

Dr Yvonne Parry is a Paediatric Nurse Practitioner and researcher at Flinders University's Caring Futures Institute. Dr Parry completed a recent six-month scoping study which identified the impact of barriers to current health service delivery models, including low immunisation rates and high rates of preventable health conditions.

The research findings recording will be made live on our website, Friday 7 August at midday.

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### **Events from our friends**



# Connecting affordable housing and jobs in Australian cities

Date: Wednesday 5 August Time: 10.00 am (AEST) Where: Online (free)

This free webinar will present the findings from a new AHURI research project — Strategic planning, 'city deals' and affordable housing — led by Dr Madeleine Pill, University of Sheffield, UK (formerly University of Sydney) and Professor Nicole Gurran, University of Sydney.

Following the research presentation, the report authors will participate in a discussion with AHURI's Executive Director Dr Michael Fotheringham and take questions from the audience.

FIND OUT MORE HERE.



# Nowhere to call home: Issues surrounding homelessness and its prevention

Date: Wednesday 5 August Time: 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm Where: Online (free)

What leads women and children to experience homelessness and disadvantage, and what can be done to prevent the causes of homelessness?

Join keynote speakers Sarah Wendt, Professor in Social Work and Director of SWIRLS; the Social Work Innovation Research

Living Space, and Associate Professor Kristin Natalier, Convenor of the Inequality Research Theme in this webinar, covering why homelessness still such a profound issue in our 'lucky' country, what young women's and children's experiences of homelessness and violence are and why are these particular groups considered 'the hidden homeless'.

**BOOK HERE.** 



#### Walk a Mile

Walk a Mile in My Boots is mixing things up a little bit this year. Your challenge is to Walk a Mile or more to help end homelessness and help the Hutt Street Centre reach their collective goal of 6,000 miles - one for every South Australian experiencing homelessness. Registration is free.

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