

Navigation Centres – what are they and do we need them in SA?

The Navigation Centre situated in San Francisco is designed to help homeless people, many living in encampments, who have stayed out of shelters because they don't want to be separated from a partner, friends, or even their dog, to find permanent housing. The Centre's mantra is "pets, partners, possessions" and is designed to overcome the issues of traditional shelter models through easing the transition between rough sleeping and housing. It is comprised of single-story buildings with dormitory-style living quarters, shower and bathroom facilities, laundry facilities, counselling offices, and a 24-hour dining room. The Centre connects people with social services and long-term housing. Could the same design be implemented in South Australia? To read more, click here: [Navigation Centres](#).

Australian school children seek help from homelessness services

The number of Australian school children seeking help from homelessness services has increased by more than 80 per cent over the past three years, according to new data analysis. In a recent Pro Bono Australia article written by Ellie Cooper, the article goes on to say that during the lead up to Youth Homelessness Matters Day on 5 April, the Council to Homeless Persons analysed Australian Institute of Health and Welfare data. It found 39,155 children enrolled in preschool, and primary and secondary school presented at homelessness services last financial year and they were among the 279,000 people who sought help nationally. To read the article, click here: [Almost 40,000 School Children Sought Homelessness Help Last Year](#).

Call for Parity magazine contributions – May 2017

Would you like to submit an article for the next edition of the Parity Magazine? The May edition will focus on "Revisiting Homelessness Data". The May edition of Parity will explore some of the difficult and problematic issues in the complex discourse about 'homelessness data' and its applications. For further information, please click here: [May Edition](#). All contributions need to be submitted by COB Friday May 5 2017. If you have any questions about contributing to this edition please contact the Parity Editor by email to Parity@chp.org.au or phone 03 8415 6201.

Uncovering Adelaide's "hostile" public architecture

A recent InDaily article interestingly reports that "Public spaces in Adelaide's CBD are permeated by "defensive" or even "hostile" design elements that tread a fine line between protecting community assets and discouraging certain groups – especially rough sleepers – from using them". To read the article written by Bension Siebert, click here: [InDaily](#).

Who Cares...We Care...Fundraiser to support homeless children - reminder

A reminder that two fundraising events supported by Homelessness SA and Who Cares We Care will be held later this month to raise awareness about the increasing numbers of children being supported by homelessness services. Proceeds will go towards purchasing children's music and books. Event details are as follows:

- 7:00pm, Saturday 29 April 2017: Door prizes and giveaways. Live music, DJ, refreshments to purchase, entry is \$30 Adults or \$25 Concession
- 2:00pm, Sunday 30 April 2017: Family Friendly Sunday Session Door prizes and giveaways, refreshments to purchase, entry is \$15 Adults, \$10 Concession and \$5 Kids

More information and tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/community-event-to-support-homeless-children-tickets-32458985700> or contact Susan on 0475 826 609 or email whocareswecare2@gmail.com