

Each day Wesley Mission helps

to shape a better life for some of the most disadvantaged and marginalised people in our community. It does this by providing a range of services which help individuals, families and, in the end, our community.

Encouraging our workers

Almost 1,800 staff and 3,300 volunteers help us realise our mission of honouring God, serving people and building hope. We recruit, nurture and train our “family” so they are equipped to shape and sustain communities—through addiction counselling, family and youth services, caring for the homeless, looking after the aged and those with disabilities, and providing an urgent and empathetic ear to people with mental health issues or those affected by domestic violence.

Carving out quality care

Our committed staff help shape a better life for the frail aged and people with disabilities, enabling them to live active, rewarding lives, as independently as possible. We provide a range of tailored accommodation options, care and activities for these people and those who care for them.

Forging ahead with families and children

Caring for families is a major focus for Wesley Mission. We work with families, with young people and with children to help them deal with life’s challenges and keep the family together. Wesley Mission supports families in legal or financial difficulties or with domestic violence issues. We provide mediation, parenting assistance and support for children who need foster care, housing and education.

Working for the unemployed

In uncertain economic times, unemployment is never far away. In this climate, Wesley Mission’s work among those looking for jobs takes on added significance for their well-being. We work alongside these people to shape a better working world for them: supporting them to learn new skills, upgrade existing skills, gain qualifications and find suitable employers.

Creating business

Wesley Mission runs a number of commercially successful businesses to supplement the grants and fundraising income needed to support our work. These include conference and recreation facilities, training and packaging

services, and gardening/landscaping services. The latter also provides work to those who might not be able to work in more mainstream employment environments.

Shaping community opinion

Part of Wesley Mission’s role is to stimulate public discussion on key social problems and to provide solid evidence to prompt changes in attitudes and policies. In 2010/11 we once again published extensive research, this time in the areas of financial stress and family homelessness, and provided public comment on these issues.

Christ-shaped care

The Christian church carries on the work of Jesus Christ in this world and seeks to follow his example in our communities. Through chaplaincy, congregations and services, fellowship groups, counselling and our weekly *Wesley Impact!* TV program, Wesley Mission reaches out to people in every walk of life.

Our vision

To be at the heart of our community where everyone has the opportunity to live a whole and productive life.

Our mission

Honouring God, serving people, building hope.

Our values

Out of Christian love and compassion, we are driven by Christlike servanthood, unfailing integrity and courageous commitment.

Legal status

Wesley Mission is part of the Uniting Church in Australia. Wesley Mission’s legal entity is The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (NSW), which is constituted by the *Uniting Church in Australia Act 1977*. Wesley Mission is therefore part of a statutory corporation. We are endorsed as a Public Benevolent Institution by the Australian Taxation Office and are an authorised Deductible Gift Recipient.