

RBCARES NEWSLETTER

Spring 2025

IMPROVING THE HEALTH & WELLBEING OF PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY THROUGH SERVICES AND PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE PRACTICAL SUPPORT, CONNECTION & HOPE

RBCares is a registered charity established by Rowville Baptist Church in 2009 to deliver a range of community support programs to local people. Over the years these initiatives have comprised professional counselling and numerous food related programs, including Food with Friends, "The Well" emergency food relief, Christmas lunches and more

NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

BUNNINGS BARBECUE

Our recent fundraising event was a sizzling success! Thanks to the support of our wonderful church family and donations from local businesses we were able to raise considerable funds for RBCares. These will go to ensuring our community programs remain strong and vibrant long into the future.

From the early morning setup to the final clean-up, the energy and enthusiasm levels stayed high. Even a torrential lunchtime downpour couldn't dampen the spirits of the wonderful volunteers. We look forward to turning this into a regular event on the RBCares calendar!

FATHER'S DAY AT THE WELL

This year's Father's Day event allowed The Well volunteers to celebrate and honour the Dads and other Father figures among our clients. We appreciate all that these men do to guide and support those around them, and hope they liked the gift packs and felt truly spoiled on their special day



MINISTRY NEEDS

The Well is in great need of volunteers with a Ute, trailer or van who could be available to collect food from Food Bank on a Friday morning. This is not a regular weekly requirement, more an expansion of those volunteers able to fulfil this role. Please join the collection team and help lighten the load

Are you free on a Tuesday morning and want to serve others? Then come and volunteer at The Well. We are particularly keen for younger volunteers to join the team in coming alongside our younger clients using the program

THE WELL – FOOD RELIEF PROGRAM

Our team of dedicated volunteers continue to support an ever-growing number of clients in our weekly program, providing a wide range of fresh produce, pantry items and toiletries to the local community.

In preparation for packing our Christmas hampers we would welcome donation of any of the following items, which can be placed in the red bin in the seminar room:

- gravy
- cranberry sauce
- plum pudding
- long life custard
- fruitcake and mince pies
- shortbreads
- serviettes
- bonbons



KIDS HOPE



Plans are currently underway to widen the current program to include some form of food provision at the school. If you have a passion to positively impact the life of a child and want to know more about this program please speak to Pastor Sean

WHAT'S ON AT RBCARES?

- 14th October, 7.30PM – RBCares Board Meeting & AGM
- Saturday 8th November, 10AM to 7PM - Board Game Bonanza
- Tuesday 9th December - Christmas at The Well

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Donate

Donations can be made as a single gift or a regular direct deposit to:
Rowville Baptist Cares Inc
◇ BSB: 633 000
◇ Account: 1381 25703

Volunteer

Become a regular volunteer at The Well on a Tuesday morning or offer your support during specific one-off events. Speak to Kate or Karen to find out how you can get involved

Pray

Pray for all the programs and volunteers as we seek to discern God's plan for RBCares and connect with people in our local community

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE RBCARES PROGRAMS PLEASE CONTACT:

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