

IMPACT REPORT 2019



PATHWAY
Community Centre

PATHWAY COMMUNITY CENTRE

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GIVING HOPE

Pathway Community Centre exists to give hope to those experiencing tough times.

Pathway offers support to the local community in a number of ways. We provide relief by providing food to those in need, and we partner with multiple groups, churches, and schools to distribute food beyond our storefront. We offer financial support with No Interest Loan Schemes (NILS) and provide counselling support and inclusion for people experiencing hardship in the community. We also run an ESL program and a Craft Connections group.

Thank you for your sponsorship of your Pathway Community Centre ministry and the huge impact in a world-wide Kingdom context. We are your "hands and feet" as we serve our community. If 2019 had a motto, it would be: "How to Eat an Elephant-One Bite at a Time". From our little storefront, Pathway has had an enormous year, and with our great team of volunteers we have been able to bless an extraordinary number of people across Adelaide and beyond.

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FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Pathway distributed 800,000kg of food in 2019. That equates to a lot of meals for a lot of families, but as those who work at Pathway know, "the ministry of food is just a bridge to creating relationships", and we did just that with an average of 135 families and individuals served every day, as well as the 40 groups, schools and churches that we support.



800,000 KG
OF FOOD RESCUED



1,777,778
MEALS PROVIDED
(BASED ON A 450
GRAM /MEAL METRIC)

FOOD BY GROUP

FRUIT & VEGGIES	44.7%
BREAD & BAKERY	48%
READY MEALS	2.5%
DRINKS	1%
MEAT	2.2%
EGGS	0.5%
MILK & DAIRY	1.1%

Many recipients shared with us, "we could not have survived this year without the food assistance you provided."

The opportunity to support the Pastoral Care Workers (chaplains) in our local schools has been a special way to bless staff, students and families in need. They have been a good source of referrals to help needy families. In the last week of school, Pathway delivered 35 pallets of ice creams to local schools around us and up in the Barossa. One principal said, "That was a memorable way to finish the year."

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TEAM PATHWAY

100+ VOLUNTEERS

40 GROUPS,
SCHOOLS &
CHURCHES
SUPPORTED

Pathway is a Kingdom ministry: extending the Kingdom of God. There is no way that Pathway could do what we do without our "army" of over 100 volunteers, many of whom are clients who just want the opportunity to "give back". Every day we have about 15-20 on duty. You will have seen lots of our Pathway volunteers and "friends" at church, and the special relationships are the lifeblood of our ministry.

What we do locally is duplicated in churches and groups that we support:

“On behalf of the Andrews Farm Community Church I am writing to express our sincere thanks for your ongoing support and help with our church plant mission to Andrews Farm over another year. Each week the food supplied by Pathway really contributes to our small congregation as we seek to build community. Pathway provided a large amount of food, confectionary, fruit, bread and drinks to our major outreach: our Christmas Street Party had around 150 people attend and they were grateful for the complimentary food and drinks. This helped us bless our community and share God’s love as we hope to see people come to faith in Jesus Christ. So once again thank you for your valuable support.”

- Pastor Lindsay Mayes

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WIDER COMMUNITY

Pathway has impacted our community, our city, and our state in a greater way than we could have imagined. There is hardly a suburb north of the city of Adelaide where Pathway's food rescue ministry doesn't have an impact. From Gawler, Andrews Farm, in a great circle to Port Adelaide, city, to the Hills communities, and places as far as Victor Harbor and Cambrai.

Through our Kilburn hub and working with Eric and Heather Randall, we have partnered together to assist many groups, and many, many families, like a couple who came as customers to their hardware shop, saw what they were doing with the food distribution, and got on board with their ministry Hope4You House:

“In this last year Carmen at the Hope-4-You-House has served people at risk diligently by visits, counselling, activities and small groups, food parcels, and short-term accommodation. She helps people experiencing hardship. Single mothers are a big part of Carmen's work. These people include pensioners, people dealing with abuse, people recovering from exceptional circumstances etc. At the moment she supports ex-prisoners, people with failed business, people with complex personal issues and retired people at risk or with grandchildren who seem to need help. Hope-4-You-House is about hope, opportunity, people, and experiencing God's presence. "We could not do it without the support from you." Carmen cooks, listens, prays with people, refers them on and sends them with a full tummy and enough food to ease their weekly load. "You play a key role in that and we therefore thank you from the bottom of our hearts and to those who help you.”

- Carmen and Adrian Miravitchi

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REACHING FURTHER

Even further afield, among the many churches and groups that Pathway supports, there is one group that regularly visits Point Pearce Aboriginal Community (mid-western Yorke Peninsula), Copley, Hawker and other remote communities in South Australia.

“Thank you for the food hampers that David and I took to sheep stations last month, when we travelled to Nipapanha. We split the food into 4 and visited Angapena and Depot Springs Stations. They were pleased to have a visit and also for the gift of food. They have had no real rain for 3 years and Depot Springs have no sheep left on their huge property and a \$400,000 debt for stock feed trying to keep their former sheep alive!! We gave the other food to Jeff Morgan, the Christian artist in Hawker, to distribute. He has told us that the food was very well appreciated at Motpena and Holowalina Stations, and sends many thanks for your thoughtfulness. Thanks for making a difference in the outback.”

- David & Rosemary Girvan



Our OpShop has had a record-breaking year! It was a combination of Val D’Arcy’s leadership, management, marketing, and community building. Income from sales in the OpShop exceeded the budget we set in late 2018. As well as being our major financial support, Treasured has been a tremendous help in meeting practical needs for needy families. Surplus stock has been given to other op shops like Westcare (with blankets and coats) and other charities supporting homeless people. But the impact does not stop there: some of our Treasured donations go to Africa! Maybe your old prescription spectacles were the blessing of new sight for some of the poorest in Africa.

PATHWAY FINANCE

**TREASURED
REVENUE**
\$165,665

↑
26%
increase
from 2018

TOTAL REVENUE
\$240,664

