

MARYMEAD CATHOLIC CARE CANBERRA & GOULBURN: A PILLAR OF HOPE

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For over 60 years, Marymead CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn has been a pillar of hope for vulnerable children, families, and individuals across the region. Providing services that span foster care, mental health support, homelessness services, and aged care, Marymead CatholicCare remains deeply committed to human dignity and the common good.

Anne Kirwan, CEO of Marymead CatholicCare, has led the organisation with a steadfast dedication to ensuring that every person, regardless of their circumstances, receives the support they need.

"Our mission is to walk alongside individuals and families, offering them the care and support they need to thrive," said Ms. Kirwan. "We see firsthand the difference that holistic, person-centred services can make, and we remain committed to fostering a community where everyone has the opportunity to live with dignity and purpose."

CSSA Executive Director, Jerry Nockles expressed his admiration for their commitment to elevating human potential during his visit to Marymead CatholicCare facilities.

Dr Nockles commended the organisation's impact, stating, "Marymead CatholicCare's work exemplifies the power of compassionate care. Their holistic approach to supporting individuals and families aligns perfectly with the values of human dignity and social justice. Their services should serve as a model for policymakers as we strive to build a more inclusive and caring society."

"As we approach the upcoming election, it is crucial that policy development focuses on the common good rather than being driven by sectional interests or influenced by polls and focus groups. Organisations like Marymead CatholicCare demonstrate the profound impact of community-focused services, and their model should inform our national approach to social services."

You can support Marymead CatholicCare through the Canberra Day Appeal.

Marymead CatholicCare is fundraising the 2025 Canberra Day Appeal, with the goal of raising \$10,000 to support adults, young people and children at risk of or experiencing homelessness. Donate today at Hand Across Canberra [here](#).

For more information about Marymead CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn and its services, please visit [About Marymead CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn - Marymead CatholicCare](#)

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About Marymead CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn

Marymead CatholicCare Canberra is the social services agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn.

For over 60 years we have been there for our communities within the ACT and surrounding regions. We provide diverse, person-centred services across the life span:

- children and young people
- family & relationship supports
- counselling & therapeutic supports
- out of home & foster care
- disability services
- tenancy & property management
- supported accommodation
- alcohol & other drug supports
- homelessness services
- retirement living
- aged care

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