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General WACOSS News

2014 State & Federal Minimum Wage Case Decisions

In the past week, the WA Industrial Relations Commission and Fair Work Commission have both decided upon increases to the state and federal minimum wage rates, effective July 1, 2014. The state minimum wage will increase 3.1% to \$665.90 per week (full-time), and federal minimum wage will increase 3% to \$640.90 per week (full-time). [Read more..](#)

Supporting Early Years Networks project survey

Are you part of an Early Year's Network, or been involved in one in the past? Then please take five to ten minutes to complete this survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/EarlyYearsNetworks>. To read more [click here](#).

Court Rules PBI Directness Test Incorrect

The Full Court of the Federal Court has handed down its decision in the case of The Hunger

Project Australia v Commissioner of Taxation unanimously rejecting the Commissioner of Taxation's narrow interpretation of what constitutes direct relief for purposes of being a Public Benevolent Institution (PBI).

The significance of this case should not be underestimated. With four judges all agreeing that the ATO misinterpreted the law, **many charities previously denied PBI status and its concomitant FBT exemptions should now be able to gain it.**

Analysis by Myles McGregor-Lowndes, Care of [Pro Bono News](#).

Summary of the case by [Australian Centre for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies, QUT](#)

WACOSS Training, Workshops and Seminars 2014

- [Leading Teams](#) - Tue 24th Jun
- [Minute Taking & the Role of the Secretary](#) - Wed 25th Jun (WEBINAR)
- [Tools of Evaluation: An Overview of Methodologies](#) - Thur 26th Jun
- [Introduction to Management Support On-line \(MSO\)](#) - Wed 2nd Jul (WEBINAR)
- [Do you need a Board Charter?](#) - Thu 3rd Jul (WEBINAR)
- [Examples of Evaluation in Practice: How other agencies have done it](#) - Thu 17th Jul

Sector News

Sue Ash recognised as an Officer of the Order of Australia

Sue Ash CEO of UnitingCare West was awarded an Officer of the Order of Australia in the Queen's Birthday Honours List. The Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) is awarded for distinguished service of a high degree to Australia or humanity at large. Sue's award recognises her "distinguished service to the community, particularly in the area of social policy development, reform and implementation, and to the provision of services to people in need". [Read more...](#)

angelhands \$50K in 50 Days

angelhands provides free support for traumatised men, women and children with fellow peers, programs and places after an experience of murder, assault, home invasion, culpable driving or violence. We assist people to regain trust and hope, whilst promoting healing and move towards recovery. To provide this unique service angelhands relies on benefactors, sponsors, grants and donations in order to be able to provide rounded service that will allow the clients to benefit. This year, angelhands has had an approximate \$50K shortfall in operational funding and is looking forward to your contribution in raising \$50K in 50 days by 27th July 2014. [Read more...](#)

Get access to a pool of talented, international young graduates, passionate about social impact.

[AIESEC](#) is a global youth network impacting the world through leadership development experiences. AIESEC offers the not for profit and community services sector a unique opportunity to access a pool of talented young people from around the world at a very cost effective rate of under \$17000 for the year, including salary. [Read more...](#)

Office Space Available for Rent in East Perth

Fully serviced office space in beautiful heritage building in leafy East Perth available for sub-let to Community Groups and Not For Profit organisations. Spaces on offer range from single cubicles, individual offices, to larger room of up to six workspaces. Onsite parking is also available. Please contact Ric West for further information 9425 2000

Seniors Week 2014 Community Grants Program

Applications opened on 6 June for funding through the Seniors Week 2014 Community Grants Program. Seniors Week 2014 is being held between Sunday 9 November and Sunday 16 November, and with the support of the Department for Local Government and Communities, and Lotterywest, COTA WA has grants available as a contribution towards the cost of hosting events during this time. Standard grants are up to \$1000 (plus GST if applicable). Grants from \$1001 - \$3000 may also be approved if they will attract a large number of seniors. Applications close at 5.00 pm on Friday 15th August 2014.

Visit www.cotawa.org.au/events/seniors-week-2014 for full application and eligibility details. For further information or any queries contact 08 9321 2133 or email admin@cotawa.org.au

Your Voice - 1st Edition

[Click here](#) to download the first edition of Your Voice – a regular update from the Commissioner for Victims of Crime.

Foundation Housing is making it crystal clear for tenants

Foundation Housing has been awarded the Plain English Crystal Mark for two important policies for its tenants.

It is the first affordable housing provider in Australia to have a tenant policy accredited through the internationally recognized Crystal Mark program, which encourages the use of 'crystal clear' English by organisations and governments. [Read more...](#)

Space to let

Space available to let. 3 furnished office spaces and a small waiting area. No separate phone

line available. You would need to have mobile phone access. Share kitchen and toilet. Board room and other facilities available. Rental costs on application. Office in Thornlie. Good parking.

Contact Citizen Advocacy South Metropolitan on advocacy@casm.org.au or 94527294

Diverse WA now available for free to not-for-profit organisations

Diverse WA, a free online cultural competency training package previously only available to Western Australian public sector employees is now available to incorporated not-for-profit organisations. Interested organisations are encouraged to contact the Office of Multicultural Interests at harmony@omi.wa.gov.au for further information.

Further information on Diverse WA can found at <http://diversewa.omi.wa.gov.au/about>

Tax and super even more accessible through myGov

Good news for people planning to do their 2013/14 tax return using the ATO's online e-tax. From 1 July they'll be accessible through myGov, the fast and easy way to access government services online. [Read more..](#)

2015 Early Years Conference Request for help distributing PARENT survey

The Great Southern Early Years Network (GSEYN) is conducting research to find out what would be of interest for parents and carers at an Early Years Conference (birth to 8) to be held in Albany, Western Australia, in July 2015. 'Building Capacity' ... Growing our children together, and recognizes that raising children which is a shared responsibility of the whole community which is the theme for the conference being held in 2015. Please [click here](#) to take the survey. complete the survey as part of the research for finding what would motivate parents to attend and what the barriers could arise.

Intentional self-harm and suicidal behaviour in children – Call for Submissions

The National Children's Commissioner is examining how children and young people under 18 years can be better protected from intentional self-harm and suicidal behaviour. A Call for Submissions has been released, which outlines some key issues. For more information and to make a submission please visit www.humanrights.gov.au/ssh-in-children. Submissions will close on Mon 2nd Jun 2014.

Royal Commission calls for submissions on redress schemes

The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse today released an issues paper on the effectiveness of redress schemes in relation to child sexual abuse in institutions. Organisations and individuals wishing to respond to Issues Paper 6 have until Monday 2 June 2014 to lodge a submission. For more information on Issues Paper 6 or to lodge a submission visit www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au/our-work/issues-papers/

eMHPrac: What are your thoughts on e-mental health?

eMHPrac (e-Mental Health in Practice) is an Australian government funded project to promote the use of e-mental health resources in primary health care. The Centre for Mental Health Research at the Australian National University will be providing e-mental health support services and training for nurses and allied health workers. If you are working in primary health care, please let us know your thoughts about using online mental health resources by participating in the eMHPrac survey, [available here](#). For further information about eMHPrac, visit the website or contact Andrew Staniforth, eMHPrac Clinical Project Officer, ANU Centre for Mental Health Research, e.andrew.staniforth@anu.edu.au. **eMHPrac is funded by the Australian Government**

Sector Events

Rockingham, Kwinana and Mandurah Domestic and Family Violence Conference - Wed 25th & Thu 26th June

The Lucy Saw Centre for the Prevention and Intervention of Domestic and Family Violence, SCALES Community Legal Centre and South Coastal Women's Health Services have joined together to provide a Domestic and Family Violence Conference.

This two day event will provide information for those new to the field or region, current workers in domestic and family violence or who have clients affected by domestic and family violence, as well as team leaders and managers. [Click here](#) for more information.

WAAMH Training Courses June 2014

Just released - Register Now!

WAAMH invite you to take a look at some of the exciting new courses. [Click here](#) to see all courses currently available.

GRAI's new training project has been launched – enrol

now for your free training course

Earlier this month on 6th May an enthusiastic crowd of supporters from the LGBTI and wider aged care community attended the official launch of GRAI's new training project at the Hotel Northbridge. Over 60 people attended the launch of the "Right to Belong Project for LGBTI people and Aged Care" to learn more about a new training project that is designed to aid all aged care services develop safe and inclusive services for LGBTI clients. [Read more...](#)

SPSW Workshop- Domestic Violence: Attitudes Beliefs, and Behaviour – Mon 30th June

SPSW is pleased to present this important workshop relevant for all human service workers who work with families where domestic violence is present or who need to understand the social and historical landscape of violence that results in violence towards women and children by the perpetrator. [Click here](#) for more information. [Click here](#) to download the registration form.

RFWA Calendar of Events – Mental Health Training

- The Hearing Voices Approach & Helping People Who Hear Voices |25 June
 - o The Hearing Voices Approach |9:00am - 12:30pm|32 Burton St, Cannington.
 - o Helping People Who Hear Voices|25 June |1:00pm - 4:30pm|32 Burton St, Cannington.
- Recovery Champions 5 Day Training |7 - 11 July |9:00am - 4:30pm*|32 Burton St, Cannington. This program will assist agencies to implement recovery based practice and support the integration of Recovery concepts.
- * Start and Finish times vary, please contact RFWA for further details
- Hearing Voices Group Facilitator 3 Day Training|21 - 23 July |9:00am - 4:30pm|32 Burton St, Cannington.

For details and complete calendar of events please visit:

<http://www.rfwa.org.au/calender-of-events.html>; E-mail: training@rfwa.org.au or phone on (08) 9350 8800

Women's Health and Wellbeing Services Gosnells (South - East Area) Term 3 Programs

- Act on Perinatal Depression and Anxiety - managing thoughts and feelings associated with the difficulties and struggles of motherhood
- Self Esteem – learning to respect and accept yourself and building more self-confidence to express your own feelings
- Bringing Up Great Kids – reflective parenting program that focuses on 'messages' given and received by parents and children

[Click here](#) for more information.

Anglicare WA professional development workshops and customised training

Anglicare WA delivers events, professional development workshops and customised training for human services organisations across WA. Upcoming 2014 events and workshops;

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- Assessments and Interventions for Perpetrators of Domestic Violence (17-18 June 2014)
- Advanced Case Management with Multi-Problem Clients (25 June 2014)

Please [click here](#) for more details, or contact us on training@anglicarewa.org.au if you have any questions or would like to register.

TheMHS Conference 2014 - Tue 26th - Fri 29th Aug

TheMHS conference in 2014 will be a vehicle to challenge and shift attitudes about mental health issues. It will be an interactive, stimulating and creative environment for you to enjoy, participate, learn and share. We want you to return home with encouragement, enthusiasm and energy to share new understandings and to contribute to mentally healthy communities. [Click here](#) for more information.

Third National Elder Abuse Conference - Wed 3rd - Fri 5th Sep 2014

Advocare Incorporated, the peak Western Australian organisation in the promotion of older people's rights and prevention of elder abuse, is proud to be hosting the Third National Elder Abuse Conference at the Hyatt Regency Perth, from the 3rd to 5th September 2014. [Read more...](#)

WACOSS Jobs

Social Policy Program Support Officer

Full-time position

WACOSS is seeking a dynamic Program Support Officer to work with the Social Policy team. Reporting to the Director of Social Policy. Key tasks include assisting with the organisation of meetings and events, diary management, formulation of correspondence, briefing notes and reports, liaison and communication with key stakeholders.

This is a key role within the social policy team who work alongside other organisations, government agencies and the community at large to understand and analyse the experiences

of disadvantaged and vulnerable people in Western Australia, identify systemic solutions to these issues and advocate for their implementation.

We are seeking someone with excellent administrative and IT skills and an understanding of the broad issues facing disadvantaged Western Australians.

*For a full job description and information on how to apply visit www.wacoss.org.au or contact Director Social Policy on (08) 9420 7222. **Apply immediately as an appointment will be made as soon as possible.***

Community Sector Jobs Board

The following positions are currently advertised on the WACOSS/ANSON Community Jobs Board. [Click here](#) to view the vacancies in full.

- [Parkerville Children & Youth Care - Programme Manager](#)
- [Community First - Head Cook](#)
- [Centrecare - Program manager](#)
- [Centrecare - Clinical Supervisor](#)
- [Centrecare - Program Manager](#)
- [Anglicare WA - Counsellor Project Officer](#)
- [Anglicare WA - Housing Support Worker \(Mandurah\)](#)
- [Anglicare WA - Housing Support Worker](#)
- [Anglicare WA - Housing Support Worker \(Hilton\)](#)
- [Anglicare WA - Housing Support Worker](#)
- [YMCA Perth - Case Worker](#)
- [YMCA - Operations Manager](#)

If you would like to advertise your vacancies on the WACOSS/ANSON Community Jobs page please contact John Broweleit at ANSON at jbroweleit@anson.com.au

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