

*spirit at work*



**Annual Report 2006**



**Jesuit Social Services**

# Mission Statement

Jesuit Social Services seeks to form communities of solidarity with those in need. It expresses its Christian mission through the service of faith and the promotion of justice.

As a social service organisation committed to promoting the common good, we are founded on the model of service of Jesus in the Christian gospels and on Catholic social teaching. We believe in the underlying value and dignity of all human life.

Jesuit Social Services is a community of people, in solidarity with those in need, providing practical programs of service and committed to social action, advocacy and research as an expression of that relationship.

Our vision is shaped by a Christian faith, which is inescapably social in its implications, because it is directed towards how people relate to one another and how society could be ordered. It is a vision of service, which must be a dialogue, born of respect for people, especially the poor, in which we share their cultural and spiritual values and offer our own cultural and spiritual richness.

Jesuit Social Services has a vision of the service of faith and the promotion of justice, which impels us to cross boundaries of culture, religion and social class. This involves a befriending of the poor and those of other cultures and faiths. This vision calls forth communities that challenge the world to act justly, to deal respectfully with one another, to transform its systems of relationships, and to take the command of Jesus to love and serve others as the basis of its life.

The following characteristics flow from the pursuit of our mission:

1. Respecting the value, dignity, and rights of each person.
2. Establishing robust relationships to enhance social inclusion.
3. Developing programs that facilitate growth and change.
4. Shaping public policy through research, advocacy and action.
5. Advocating with and for marginalised members of society.
6. Being committed to working in areas of unmet need.
7. Embracing differences of race, culture and faith.
8. Expressing Christian values and the mission of the Jesuit Order.
9. Working collaboratively for greater good.



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*Cover: Young people participating in The Outdoor Experience (TOE) program in the Croajingolong National Park, on the coastal border of Victoria and New South Wales. The 11 day journey involved a group of young people walking from Saltwater Creek to Mallacoota Inlet, through some of the most remote wilderness areas of NSW and Victoria.*

# Our History



Fr Peter Norden SJ and Fr John Brosnan circa 1985.

The origins of Jesuit Social Services date back to 1977, when Fr Peter Norden SJ, then a Jesuit in training, opened a small half way house for young men after their release from juvenile justice centres and prisons.

This program was named the Brosnan Centre after Father John Brosnan, who was Chaplain at Pentridge Prison for thirty years.

Jesuit Social Services was established in 1995 incorporating the Brosnan Centre and including new services that grew out of our experience engaging with severely disadvantaged young people.

These include:

- Connexions, a program responding to the needs of young people experiencing concurrent mental health and drug and alcohol problems;
- Gateway, which puts young people with multiple and complex problems on a pathway to education, training and employment; and
- programs for vulnerable families and disadvantaged communities.



## Today

Jesuit Social Services works collaboratively with others to engage disadvantaged individuals, families and communities and the wider society to promote health and wellbeing and to address social exclusion.

We do this by forming relationships as a basis for effective, holistic interventions, by building social capital and by effecting social change through social policy, advocacy and research.



Jesuit Social Services is a vibrant, progressive organisation with more than one hundred employed members of staff, over a hundred active volunteers and an exciting vision of community service and social action that is founded on Christian values.

We work in some of the most difficult and demanding areas of human service, including the areas of crime, addiction, mental illness, long-term unemployment and entrenched social disadvantage.

We are also involved in local communities, with inner city neighbourhoods in high-rise public housing estates. We have a longstanding involvement with the Vietnamese community, and a strong partnership with communities from the Horn of Africa.

The Ignatius Centre is the policy and research arm of Jesuit Social Services. It complements our community service programs with advocacy, research and policy work aimed at building a more just society.

*Spirit of solidarity*

# Australian Jesuit Provincial

Faced with the sheer magnitude of social needs in contemporary society, how do we choose? How do we know where to start? As individuals we can feel powerless. Organised, however, we can have a significant impact.

Jesuit Social Services is one organisation that balances the head and the heart, spirit and work, vision and experience. Generous recognition of human needs, careful planning and deep resolve are evident in the services and programs outlined in this 2006 Annual Report.

Our Jesuit Province 'Call to Mission' recognises the Spirit at work in our world: "*The Spirit of the Lord has sent me to bring good news to the poor...*" The theme of this Jesuit Social Services Annual Report, Spirit at Work, reflects our Province Mission and its guiding values to be discerning, welcoming and courageous.

Jesuit Social Services was this year recognised in an international forum, "The Spirit at Work". The Australian Jesuit Province congratulates Jesuit Social Services for this award. Jesuit Social Services demonstrates what it means for the Spirit to be at Work. Through the pages of this report you will see how choices are guided by compassionate hearts and discerning heads. Solidarity grows through human contact. Jesuit Social Services program planning is constantly guided by what its field people learn through accompanying those in need.

In 2007 Jesuit Social Services celebrates its thirtieth year of serving a faith that does justice, thirty years of seeking out the disadvantaged in our community, and discerning how best to accompany and to speak for their rights. Our congratulations are due to all at Jesuit Social Services, staff, volunteers, management and Board members, at the time of this significant milestone. Special thanks are due to founder Fr Peter Norden SJ for his vision, and to all who have come with their heads and hearts and hands over the years to carry on this service. May Jesuit Social Services continue long, and with your support, bring solidarity to those who most need it.

**Fr Mark Raper SJ**  
Provincial, Australian Province of the Society of Jesus



Fr Mark Raper SJ, Provincial, Australian Province of the Society of Jesus.

## International Spirit at Work Award

Jesuit Social Services was one of four organisations – from Europe, the USA and India – to be honoured at the Fifth Annual International Spirit at Work Awards in New York on 27th October 2006.

The Association for Spirit at Work (ASAW) is a non-profit association of individuals and organisations interested in the study and/or practice of spirituality in the workplace. This annual awards program recognises companies around the world that have implemented specific policies, programs or practices that nurture spirituality inside their organisations.

In advising Jesuit Social Services of its success, the selection panel noted: "*We were very impressed by the quality of your organisation and the nature of the work you do in working for a just and fairer society in Australia. We were particularly impressed by your Ignatian values and your openness to all who share your values.*"



CEO Julie Edwards receiving the International Spirit at Work Award from founders Judi Neal and John Renesch in New York.

*Spirit of discernment*

# Chairman's Message

The practical work of Jesuit Social Services, as outlined in the 2006 Annual Report, ensures that we are constantly learning about the state of our society and its needs. This learning is critical to our mission of *'standing in solidarity with those in need, expressing a faith that promotes justice'*.

Our learnings shape our services and our advocacy. We look forward to the publication of the expanded research report mapping locational disadvantage across Australia and we anticipate its positive contribution to shaping national social policy.

The work of Jesuit Social Services is rooted in the values and spirit of St Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. These central values and spirit have been described in Chris Lowney's *'Heroic Leadership'* (2003) as:

- Self-awareness: understanding one's strengths, weaknesses, values, and worldview
- Ingenuity: confidently innovating and adapting to embrace a changing world
- Love: engaging others with a positive, loving attitude
- Heroism: energising oneself and others through heroic ambitions.

As Jesuit Social Services enters its 30<sup>th</sup> year, we will be applying that spirit to a process of discernment whereby we will seek to honestly evaluate our strengths and weaknesses; assess the ways in which we should adapt; remind ourselves that, in the words of St Ignatius, our mission is *'for others'*; and challenge ourselves and our supporters to adopt new heroic ambitions.

I expect that this process of discernment will generate questions as to the reach of our mission in the Australian Jesuit Province, even stronger integration of our policy work and advocacy in supporting those in need, and increasing dependence on our generous supporters to enable Jesuit Social Services to work with, and advocate fearlessly for, those who are most disadvantaged.

As an independent and sometimes unpopular voice for those in need, Jesuit Social Services is reliant upon and grateful for the support we receive from the community, business and government.

I would like to acknowledge the strong leadership of our Chief Executive Officer Julie Edwards, the dedication of the staff, the strong support of the Jesuit Provincial Fr Mark Raper SJ, and the commitment of my colleagues on the Board.

## Board members 2005 - 06

<b>Peter Johnstone, Chairman</b>	CEO, City of Boroondara
Frank Costigan QC, Deputy Chairman	Barrister at Law
Peter Tratt, Treasurer	Nest Financial Services
Jenny Burger	Community Health Consultant
Elizabeth Curtain	Justice, Supreme Court of Victoria
Margarita Frederico	Assoc. Professor La Trobe University
David Holdcroft SJ	Jesuit Refugee Service Australia
Geoff King SJ	Jesuit Theological College
Clare O'Neil	City of Greater Dandenong
Bruce Robertson SJ	Loyola Institute
Julian Slatterie SJ	Xavier College
<b>Appointed 2006-07</b>	
Professor Jim Barber	Deputy Vice-Chancellor, RMIT University
Jennifer McAuley	Department of Human Services Representative on the Youth Parole Board Tulloch Consulting
Darren Walls	

## Committee members

John Quin	Finance & Audit Committee
Peter Coughlin	Finance & Audit Committee
Peter O'Callaghan	Property Committee

## Jesuit Social Services Foundation

John Arthur, Chairman	L Arthur Pty Ltd
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Chairman of the Board, Peter Johnstone.

I commend the contributions of outgoing Board members Jenny Burger and Clare O'Neil, and the chair of our Foundation John Arthur.

I would also like to welcome to the Board, Professor Jim Barber, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, RMIT University; Associate Professor Margarita Frederico, Director of Postgraduate Programs, School of Social Work and Social Policy at La Trobe University; Jennifer McAuley, Department of Human Services Representative on the Youth Parole Board, and Marketing and Fundraising Consultant Darren Walls, Tulloch Consulting.

With faith in the spirit that enlivens us, we look forward to facing the challenges ahead.

Peter Johnstone  
Chairman

*Spirit of service*

# Chief Executive Officer's Report



CEO, Julie Edwards.

'Spirit at Work' is the theme of this year's Annual Report. At Jesuit Social Services this is lived out daily – through the small acts of kindness that warm the human heart, through the public advocacy that is one of our hallmarks and through the discernment and analysis that underpin our work.

The following pages indicate the reach and nature of our work – the annual statistics show that in the past year we have touched literally thousands of lives – and our Directors' Reports identify some of the highlights.

But it is important to remember that at Jesuit Social Services our business is not primarily running programs or delivering services. It is forming relationships as a basis for effective intervention – and that intervention is focussed on building people's capacity to be in relationship with others and to be able to participate in our community.

We make this the goal of our work because we believe in the inherent dignity of each person and of each person's right to, and longing for, safety, community and a meaningful life.

'Spirit at Work' means bringing this belief to life in the workplace. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, recognised the value of all people and their potential. Following in this tradition, we recognise that we are all called to be leaders – staff, volunteers, program participants, donors, the wider community. The type of leadership we are called to exercise is in showing care, in advocating for the rights of the most disadvantaged and in building the kind of society that we all want to live in.

As we move into our 30<sup>th</sup> year we are inspired and firm in our resolve to remain faithful to our mission of '*standing in solidarity with those in need, expressing a faith that promotes justice*'.

Of course we don't, and can't, do this alone. Our partnerships with government at all levels, with the philanthropic sector and our colleague organisations are vibrant, respectful and productive.

We depend on the generosity of our Community Partners and other donors who share our commitment to build a more just society. Thank you.

The Board, under the leadership of Peter Johnstone, has once again demonstrated the '*spirit of service*' in its commitment to the mission of Jesuit Social Services.

Finally, I express my gratitude to my Executive colleagues – Fr Peter Norden SJ, Kerry Walker and Lisa Maddocks. I take this opportunity to acknowledge Peter's huge contribution to the work of Jesuit Social Services – firstly as founder, then as CEO, and more recently as Policy Director. Peter has stepped aside from this latter role due to his other substantial commitments but continues his involvement as Associate Director, Jesuit Social Services.

I am grateful to Program Managers, Peter Coghlan and Sally Parnell, who have worked closely with the Executive in providing leadership to the organisation; and to the staff and volunteers who have lived out '*Spirit at Work*' every day.

*Julie Edwards*

**Julie Edwards**  
Chief Executive Officer



# Policy Director's Report



Policy Director, Fr Peter Norden SJ.

The Ignatius Centre, the policy and research arm of Jesuit Social Services, has been active in the last twelve months engaging with government, media and peak non-government organisations.

Our major research project continues to focus on the mapping of locational disadvantage throughout Australia. With the engagement of Emeritus Professor Tony Vinson collaborating closely with us in this work since 1998, Jesuit Social Services has now established a reputation in this field nationally.

Our previous research reports, *Unequal In Life* (1999) and *Community Adversity and Resilience* (2004) focused on New South Wales and Victoria alone. We are currently working on a third research report, again with Professor Vinson, and on this occasion we are undertaking the work in partnership with Catholic Social Services Australia. Our purpose is to map social disadvantage by postcode throughout all the States and Territories of Australia. This report will be released in February 2007, and will play a role in the public policy debate leading to the forthcoming Federal election.

During the past twelve months, I completed my term as a National Board Member of Catholic Social Services Australia and the Chairperson of their Social Policy Committee. I have transferred my involvement to the Australian Council of Social Services, as a National Board Member and continue to work as an Adjunct Professor in the School of Social Science and Planning at R.M.I.T. University.

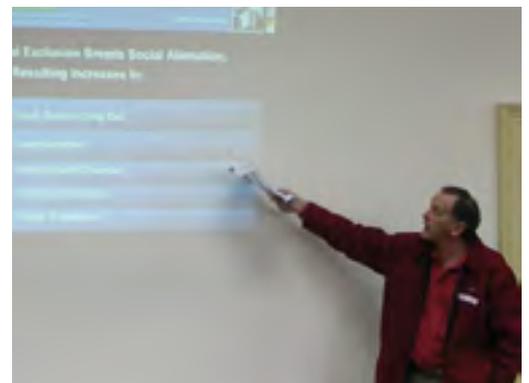
Tim Martyn completed his term as Research Officer with the Ignatius Centre in April of this year and is now undertaking further studies towards a Masters Degree at the London School of Economics. During his time with Jesuit Social Services, Tim provided valuable research assistance to me in my role as Policy Director and also to our Chief Executive Officer. His analytical and writing skills were much appreciated. Tim had several articles published that established our position in areas of our direct involvement plus other areas of social concern.

The Ignatius Centre continued to work on discrete projects during the last twelve months. These focused on the national network of 340 Catholic Secondary Schools throughout Australia, with a student base of over 300,000 students and more than 23,000 teaching staff. The first national consultation with this secondary school network, *Keeping Them Connected*, examined how Catholic schools can best respond to incidents of illicit drug use by students. The report was published in February 2006 and has since been used extensively for training and development throughout the sector. The second consultation, *Not So Straight*, examined how Catholic schools can respond to the needs of same sex attracted students. This will also be used for training and development in the education sector.

Both these consultations have arisen from our experience of thirty years involvement with the lives of vulnerable young people who have been in contact with the criminal justice system or who have struggled with mental health problems or substance misuse.

Through these two consultations we have worked with senior educational leaders throughout Australia. This has provided Jesuit Social Services with the opportunity to intervene early and help school personnel respond appropriately to the young people in their care, preventing the escalation of serious problems in young lives.

The role of Jesuit Social Services in the field of social policy and research is one of the distinguishing features of our organisation. It is an area of our work that is dependent on widespread community support if it is to maintain its autonomous and objective critical stance on issues affecting the future of Australian society.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Norden SJ".

Fr Peter Norden SJ  
Policy Director (until April 2006)

*Spirit of justice*

# Ignatius Centre Policy & Research Unit



## Educational and Professional Services Unit

The Education & Professional Services Unit aims to improve outcomes for disadvantaged young people, families and communities by articulating and disseminating Jesuit Social Services' diverse and unique body of program and practice knowledge.

Over the year the Unit consolidated its relationship with the University of Melbourne Social Work Department through social work student placements and the teaching of the *Young People with Complex Needs* subject. We also continued to teach the *Young People at Risk* subject for the graduate Diploma in Adolescent Health and Welfare.

We launched the Strong Bonds website which contains practical information to help parents and workers build supportive family relationships with young people with complex needs, mental health or drug problems. The parent and worker resources on this site and the real life stories from parents, plus their insights into how to survive difficult times, are proving to be of great assistance to families and workers.

*Footnote:* Towards the end of 2006, the William Buckland Foundation granted further funding for Strong Bonds 2 to enable the website to provide accessible and culturally appropriate resources for families of new communities struggling in their relationships with their children.

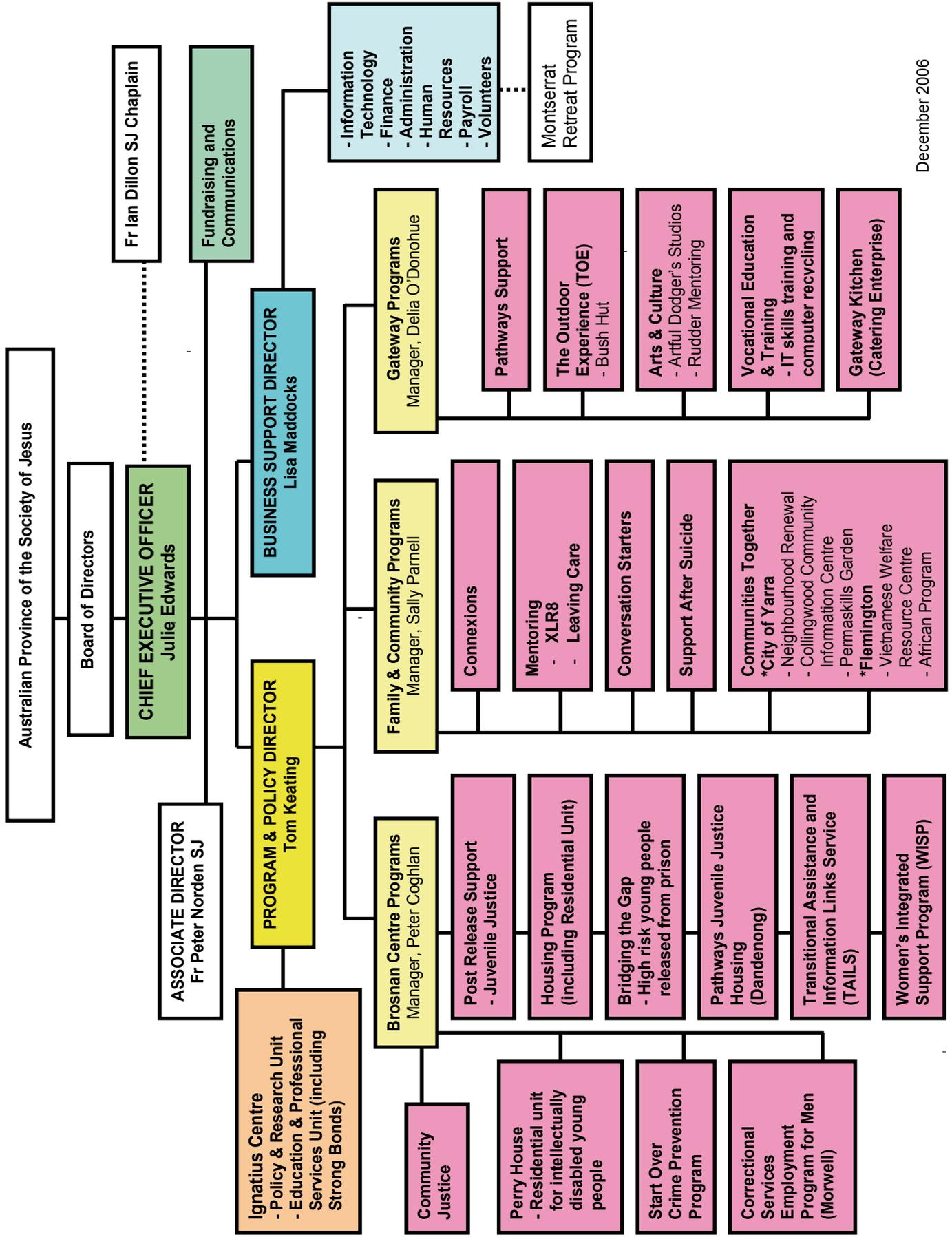


[www.strongbonds.jss.org.au](http://www.strongbonds.jss.org.au)

### Strong Bonds website developed :

- supported by training to professionals in youth services: 90
- Two subjects taught at University of Melbourne:
  - Bachelor of Social Work, *Young People with Complex Needs*.
  - Graduate Diploma in Adolescent Health and Welfare, *Young People at Risk*.





# Program Director's Report

Programs are the heartbeat of Jesuit Social Services. They are delivered by skilled, committed staff who work with individuals, families and communities so they can be the best that they can be. Professional staff who come to work at Jesuit Social Services often say that the simple mission of the organisation has enlivened their own principles of social justice and their quest to make a difference.

This year has been a challenge. There have been significant changes within our own programs, shifts in public policy affecting those with whom we work and funding pressures forcing us to do more with less. But throughout 2005 - 2006 we have remained buoyant and have produced some outstanding work.

At **Gateway**, the **Artful Dodgers Studios** have continued to flourish with the expansion of music and multimedia activities. These programs which tap into the existing interests of the participants are extremely effective engagement strategies. The **Gateway Kitchen** successfully launched its first product, **Abbotsford Biscuits**. This social enterprise provides young people with opportunities for traineeships and casual employment. The **Outdoor Experience (TOE) program** has been busy gearing up to move to the newly acquired Bush Hut in Kew.

The **Brosnan Centre** continues to be a leader in its work with young people exiting prison and juvenile justice facilities. Once again the work focussed on the most vulnerable, including those estranged from family and those with an intellectual disability. The **Courtyard Launch**, bringing together the broad support base of the Brosnan Centre and showcasing the young people's achievements, was a particular highlight. The **Group Conferencing program** maintained its commitment to seeing restorative justice being placed in legislation and has also continued to advocate for the conferencing model to be adopted in the adult jurisdiction.

Our **Community Programs** have worked innovatively to address racism and crime. Our links with the Somali and Eritrean communities in Flemington have produced positive results through our **African Program**. We now have a number of volunteers working with us to tutor school age children with homework and school projects. The **Vietnamese Welfare Resource Centre** has continued its valuable information, referral and direct service provision in Flemington, plus a wide variety of groups and cultural activities for young people, families and the aged. The **Collingwood Community Information Centre** has been funded for a further 3 years which will see it strengthen its links with the local community.

The **Support After Suicide** program has been extended for a further three years and expanded to operate across metropolitan Melbourne. **Connexions** and **Mentoring** have both undergone positive evaluations this year and their work continues to reach those young people who have often exhausted other opportunities. Through **Conversation Starters** we have worked with vulnerable communities to build their capacity to support parents. This program works on the principle that it takes a village to raise a child and is engaging schools and community leaders in assisting parents to build confidence and skills.

In addition to teaching two subjects at the University of Melbourne (Bachelor of Social Work and Graduate Diploma in Adolescent Health), the **Education and Professional Services Unit** undertook a major project – **Strong Bonds**. This aims to strengthen the relationship between young people and their families. It assists youth workers to be more family focussed in their work. A website was developed with helpful fact sheets for parents and workers.

Throughout the year the passion and stamina of our workers shone bright - their work enlivens our mission, their skills enhance people's lives and their wholehearted approach keeps our organisation young and vital.



**Kerry Walker**  
Program Director

#### Footnote:

Program Director Kerry Walker has been appointed inaugural Director of the Neighbourhood Justice Centre in Collingwood beginning January 2007. The appointment is a tribute to Kerry's commitment to social justice. Our new Program and Policy Director is Dr Tom Keating. Tom is a former Regional Director, Department of Human Services, Hume Region. Tom was also Pro Vice-Chancellor, La Trobe University, Albury/Wodonga Campus and a member of the LaTrobe University Council.



Program Director, Kerry Walker.



*Spirit of welcome*

# Brosnan Centre Programs

*The Brosnan Centre* is named after the late Fr John Brosnan and provides support and services to young offenders primarily aged 17 to 25 years. Contact is made in the prison or juvenile justice centre prior to the young person's release. A range of services including accommodation, drug and alcohol counselling and referral, and material aid is made available.

Successful integration back into the community is the goal of the intensive work undertaken by the Brosnan Centre.



*I-r: CEO Julie Edwards; Sherryl Garbutt, Minister for Children and Minister for Community Services; Peter Coghlan, Brosnan Centre Manager; Tim Holding, Minister for Police & Emergency Services, and Minister for Corrections at the official opening of the new Brosnan Centre courtyard.*

## Perry House

*Perry House* provides a home-like environment for young offenders with an intellectual disability. Staff develop strong relationships with residents that form the basis for these young people to acquire living skills that will help in their transition to more independent living.

**Brosnan Centre**  
Individual young people assisted during the year: 743  
Visits to Prisons / Custodial facilities: 380  
Visits to Juvenile Justice Centres: 146  
Placed in supported accommodation: 101  
Correctional Services Employment Pilot Program registrations (CSEPP): 222  
Placed in employment: 53



*Funded by the Melbourne Newsboys Club and Mr Frank Hill, the redevelopment of the Brosnan Centre courtyard was designed by international landscaper Paul Bangay and supported by local tradespeople and suppliers. Many Brosnan Centre program participants worked on the project.*

*Spirit of friendship*

## *Spirit of Giving Back*

Colin Macleod was a Magistrate for 11 years and Deputy President, Judge of the Accident Compensation Tribunal for four years. He volunteered his time to the Brosnan Centre in order to work positively with young offenders.

The program evolved from his firm belief that attainment of a driver's licence is a significant step for young people at risk - building confidence, self-esteem and a sense of achievement.

ABC radio's 'The Law Report' showcased the program. Since Colin's involvement at the Brosnan Centre, nine young people have received learner's permits, one a probationary licence and one a full licence.

Colin also assists with introductory driving lessons and obtaining donations towards the cost of driving manuals, licence tests and driving school lessons.



Retired Judge, Colin Macleod, initiated an innovative program to help young people to obtain learner's permits, probationary and full licences.

## *Community Justice Group Conferencing*

*Group conferencing* is based on restorative justice principles and aims to divert young people coming before the Children's Court away from the juvenile justice system.

The conference brings together those affected by a crime. They have the opportunity to meet and talk about what happened, about how to make amends for some of the harm caused by the crime and about how to make things better in the future.

Conferencing helps young people be accountable for their actions, gain insight into the impact of their offending – with victims giving their own account where possible – and learn how they will be supported in the future.

Total Referrals: 31  
Total Conferences: 28  
Percentage of conferences with victim participation: 100%  
Percentage of outcome plans to include victim restitution and a plan to prevent further offending: 100%  
Percentage of outcome plans fully completed: 83%  
Court results after the conference:  
- Good behaviour bonds: 22  
- Probations: 4  
- Accountable undertakings: 2  
Young people attending conference who were diverted from statutory supervision: 86%

## *XLR8 Mentoring*

*XLR8 Mentoring* has two components:

- connects young people (12-20 years old) who are on custodial sentences or involved with juvenile justice with adult role models to enhance pathways to education, training and employment opportunities. This program operates in the Southern and Eastern metropolitan regions.

- connects young people leaving the statutory care and protective system with adult role models to support, guide and assist them to make a smooth transition into community life, following their experience in protective care. This program operates in the Southern Region.

Young people matched to mentors: 27  
Young people accessing education, training /or employment: 21  
Young people receiving support in custody: 6  
Young people engaged in the program for more than 6 months: 25  
Mentors trained: 44



*Spirit of trust*

# Gateway Programs

*Gateway* provides pathways to education, training and employment for young people with complex problems. We begin by providing opportunities for young people to build self-esteem and confidence. We provide activities that develop preparatory skills for successful learning and the transition to formal education and training, plus employment.

Gateway programs include:

- Pathways Support
- Vocational Education and Training
- The Artful Dodgers Studios
- Rudder Mentoring Program
- Music Studio
- Multimedia activities
- The Outdoor Experience (TOE)
- Gateway Kitchen



The Albert Park Yacht Club held a fundraising Sail-A-Thon in March and offered to train The Outdoor Experience staff to use sailing as part of their programs.

Average no. of participants per month: 50

Percentage with:

- Substance misuse: 78%
- Mental health issues: 68%
- Offending history: 38%

Average education: Yr 10

Unemployed at referral: 96%

Participants engaged in education or training: 52%

Participants involved in ongoing employment: 12%

Participants in short term or volunteer work: 20%



Gateway's IT and Computer program offers training in IT skills, computer building and programming . The Music Studio, in partnership with Living Music, provides training in sound production and instrumental lessons in a flexible, supportive and self-paced environment.



Chef, Loretta Sartori, and two Gateway participants baking cakes for sale at the Gateway Kitchen. The kitchen provides a real work environment where young people gain accredited skills in hospitality. Jesuit Social Services recently attained Registered Training Organisation status.

*Spirit of dignity*

# Conversation Starters

*Conversation Starters* aims to provide national leadership in improving the well being of children and families by providing community representatives with training in early intervention strategies to prevent child abuse.

## Reaching Vulnerable Families

Number of schools receiving direct assistance: 11  
Number of workshops held: 7  
Number of teachers attending workshops: 90  
Number of Early Childhood professionals involved: 96  
Number of parent participants: 113

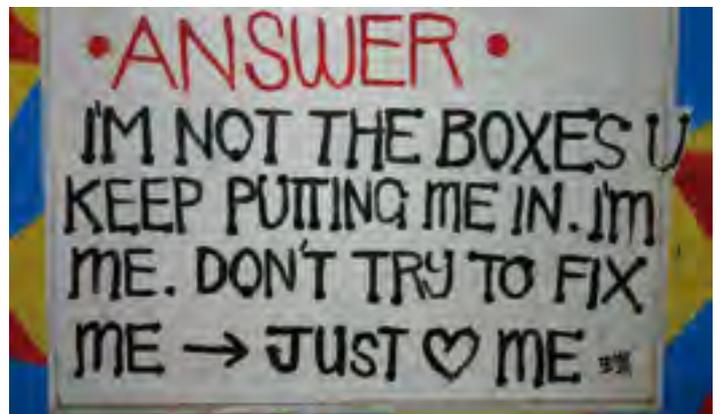


# Support After Suicide

*Support After Suicide* provides support to individuals and families, particularly those with young children, who are bereaved by suicide.

The project also provides secondary consultation and training to education, health and welfare professionals, building their capacity to provide an effective service to suicide bereaved people.

Counselling program participants: 59  
Education/Information sessions: 15  
Participants in Education/Information sessions: 320  
Number of support groups held: 4  
Total number of participants in groups: 28



# Connexions

*Connexions* seeks to improve the quality of life of young people experiencing multiple and complex problems associated with mental illness, drug use and homelessness, through the provision of intensive youth support and counselling.

## Program participants: 144

- Outreach 54; counselling 90

Average age: 23.1 yrs

Total hours spent in outreach and support: 1854

Total episodes of care offered in the form of counselling: 350

Primary drug use:

- Cannabis 46%, heroin 29%, amphetamines 10%, alcohol 6%.

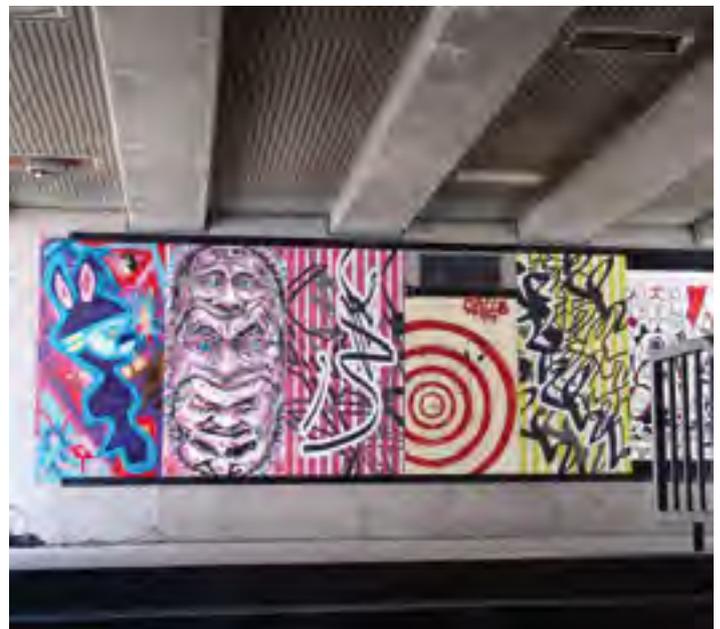
Primary mental health issues:

- Depression and mood disorders 34%

- Psychotic illnesses 30%

- Anxiety based issues 23%

- Personality disorders 8%



Participants from the Gateway and Connexions programs who take part in the Artful Dodgers Studios held an Art Exhibition in the city underpasses entitled *Mapping the City*. Reproduced as a book and CD-ROM, *Art on Film*, the artists created a living map of the city based on the experiences of these young adults.

*Spirit of relationship*

# Community Programs

## Communities Together - City of Yarra

*Communities Together* is a community development program working towards neighbourhood renewal with the communities in the high-rise public housing estates in the City of Yarra.



*A PermaCulture Garden* was established at Atherton Gardens Estate as a new community learning resource.

Its purpose is to engage young people in social and learning opportunities in their own environment plus provide pathways to small enterprise opportunities, further education and employment.

A significant part of this project is to offer adults on the estate the opportunity to become mentors and pass on their skills and experience to young people working at the garden.

Community development staff worked collaboratively with community agencies and residents on the public housing high-rise estates in:

- Richmond
- Collingwood
- Fitzroy

Activities included:

- Festivals and community celebrations
- Community development
- Community enterprise development
- ESL classes
- Men's group
- Excursions and soccer programs



*The Mandarin Opera Group has been playing for many years at the annual North Richmond Estate Moon Lantern Festival. The festivities transform the Estate into a site that symbolises community and the celebration of cultural diversity.*

## The Collingwood Community Information Centre

*The Collingwood Community Information Centre* provides a welcoming space and a high quality information and referral service staffed by a paid coordinator and a team of trained volunteers from the neighbourhood.

The Centre also runs accredited training courses, youth sports and recreation programs, art projects, cultural groups, English classes and health and well-being sessions.

We are very grateful to the many volunteers from the Collingwood community who make this work possible.

No. of people assisted with information needs (housing, legal, income, emergency aid, etc.): 5915

No. of people attending Education and Training sessions: 751

Assistance provided to people who are:

- Non English speaking: 1934
- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander: 233
- Under 20 years of age: 991
- Over 55 years of age: 1204
- New clients: 446
- Experiencing mental illness: 3170

*Spirit of Inclusion*

## African Program

Jesuit Social Services has forged partnerships with communities from the Horn of Africa. These partnerships allow us to engage successfully with young people and families to provide a range of education, social and recreational opportunities.



Jesuit Social Services has been working with local African communities and police to improve understanding, prevent crime and foster positive relationships. As part of this work, Youth Workers Berhan Jaber and Zahra Saleh organized for young people to visit the Police Academy.

Individual assistance: 86  
Education sessions: 210  
Participants in education sessions: 2585  
Recreation activities sessions: 5 participants: 909  
Major community cultural events: 5  
Participants at community cultural events: 1880  
Cultural information sessions: 7  
Cultural information participants: 185

## Vietnamese Welfare Resource Centre

*The Vietnamese Welfare Resource Centre* (VWRC) responds to the needs of the Vietnamese community through the provision of information and referral, fostering community and cultural activities, and direct services including:

- counselling
- crisis accommodation
- groups for young people, families and the aged.

Telephone services: 1327  
Face to face services: 1235  
Group and cultural activities / sessions: 202  
Participants at group and cultural activities: 5186



VWRC Program Coordinator Son Hoang Nguyen with Centre participants.

*Spirit of respect*

# Business Director's Report



Business Support Director, Lisa Maddocks

From a business perspective 2005-2006 has been a year of contrasts.

The results of the financial year are better than budget, while still producing a deficit result. Government funding remains the largest portion of our sources of revenue and we continue to work with the challenges of under-funded government contracts in some program areas.

The Brosnan Centre, one of the mainstays of the organisation, had a budgetted shortfall of \$300,000 this year.

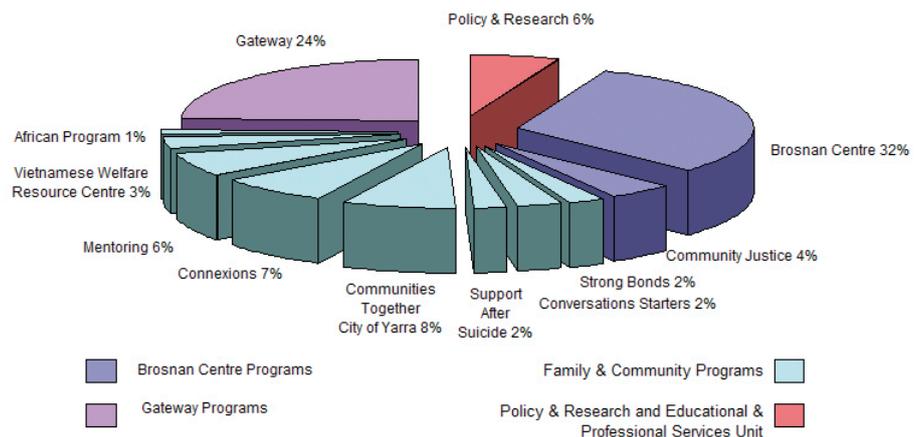
Our ongoing deficit position continues to put strain on human resources, property and general infrastructure as the organisation does not have the financial capacity to resource them adequately.

We are ever reliant on our capacity to fundraise.

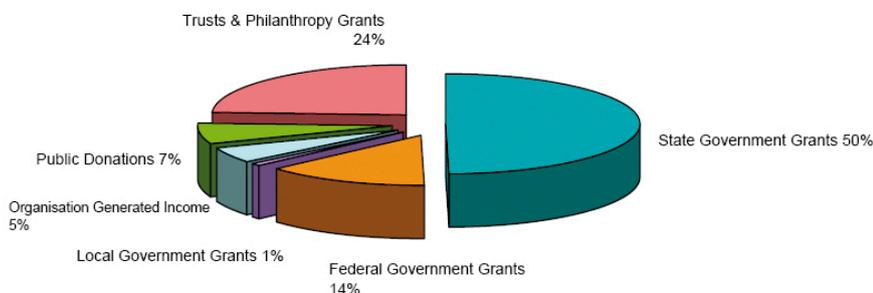
By contrast, for the second consecutive year, we have made savings through productivity initiatives and redefining service contracts. We have strengthened systems and processes, particularly in the areas of Finance, Human Resources and IT, contributing to the positive results achieved by our programs. As we move into our 30th year, the organisation is in a strong position to take up the challenges of the future.

**Lisa Maddocks**  
Business Support Director

## Allocation of Resources



## Sources of Revenue



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# Thank You To Our Supporters

## GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS

Adult Multicultural Education Services  
Australia Council for the Arts  
City of Melbourne  
City of Moonee Valley  
City of Moreland  
City of Yarra  
Department of Family and Community Services  
Department of Health and Ageing  
Department of Immigration, Multicultural & Indigenous Affairs  
Department of Human Services  
Department of Justice  
Department for Victorian Communities  
Magistrates Court – Broadmeadows  
Magistrates Court – Frankston  
Magistrates Court – Melbourne  
Magistrate Court – Sunshine  
Victorian Multicultural Commission



*Brosnan Centre Manager, Peter Coghlan with Minister for Community Services, Sherryl Garbutt at the Jesuit Social Services 2006 Annual Fundraising Dinner.*

## Annual Fundraising Dinner

Brown Brothers Wine	Janet Pelly
Cape Schank Golf Resort	Michael Tehan
Carrier Relationships	Samsung
Churchers on Richmond Hill	Seven Hills Cellars
Club Cobram	The Footy Show, GTV9
Dr John Funder	3 Point Motors
Guy Grossi	Werribee Open Range Zoo

## PHILANTHROPIC TRUSTS & FOUNDATIONS

Alcohol, Education and Rehabilitation Foundation  
William Angliss (Vic) Charitable Fund  
Australian Jesuit Foundation  
Beswick Family Fund  
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The Reichstein Foundation  
Victorian Health Promotion Foundation  
Hugh Williamson Foundation

## ORGANISATIONS

Australia Council for the Arts  
Australia Post  
Australian Football League  
Australian Nursing Federation  
Australian Province of the Society of Jesus  
Bowen's Timber & Hardware  
Galbally & O'Brien (Hon. Solicitors)  
Loyola College  
Mallesons Stephen Jaques  
Marcellin College  
Paul Cain Real Estate  
Peninsula Support Group  
Radio 3AW  
Rotary Youth Arts Network  
Simpson Constructions  
Social Ventures Australia (AMP Youth Boost)  
Xavier College

## Brosnan Courtyard Redevelopment

Abi Group	Form 700 Pty. Ltd.
Anston Paving Stones	John Murray
Paul Bangay Design	Smith and Gordon Nursery
Frank Hill	

*Spirit of giving*

# How You Can Lend A Helping Hand

## ***A gift in your Will***

A Bequest to Jesuit Social Services is an investment in the future of Australian society. Remembering our work in your Will is a way of ensuring that a Christian value based organization that is committed to a just and fair Australia will be sustained in its work in coming years.

If you wish to receive confidential advice about how you could assist Jesuit Social Services in this way, contact our CEO Julie Edwards (Telephone: 03 9427 7388, or email: [Julie.Edwards@jss.org.au](mailto:Julie.Edwards@jss.org.au))

### **Your Bequest is a very special gift - it is part of our shared vision.**

The following simple statement in your Will ensures that your wishes are carried out:

"I give to the **Jesuit Social Services Foundation** the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
a specific gift of \_\_\_\_\_ a percentage of my estate \_\_\_\_\_  
to be paid free of duty and to be applied for the general purposes of the organisation.  
I declare that the receipt of the Director, or other proper office of Jesuit Social Services, shall be full and sufficient discharge to my Trustee".

**We truly appreciate your consideration, large or small. Thank you.**

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## ***Becoming a volunteer***

"I am interested in providing direct help as a volunteer. Please `phone me to discuss how I may assist".

Mr  Mrs  Ms  Dr  Other

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Home: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Work: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete details above as appropriate and return to:

### **The Volunteer Coordinator**

Jesuit Social Services PO Box 271 RICHMOND VIC 312; or Fax: (03) 9427 1819; or Email: [volunteer@jss.org.au](mailto:volunteer@jss.org.au)

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## ***Can you support our services to vulnerable young people and families?***

Please find enclosed a gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to assist Jesuit Social Services.

My cheque is attached  Or charge my:-

Visa  Mastercard  American Express

A/C No.

Expiry date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ \*Signature:: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Given Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

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**\*Please Note:** If using your credit card, please remember to sign. **THANK YOU, YOUR GIFT IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE.** Send your tax deductible donation to: Jesuit Social Services, PO Box 271, Richmond 3121

You may also donate on line from our website [www.jss.org.au](http://www.jss.org.au) - click on the How You Can Help icon.

# Fundraising

Jesuit Social Services works at the hard end with young people, families and communities. Supporting Jesuit Social Services is about building the type of society we all want to live in.

Reflecting the Jesuit Social Services Mission and Characteristics, our programs and our social policy, advocacy and research are based on the belief that all people:

- require safety and security
- are inherently relational
- are formed in family
- are part of a wider community
- seek equality and a meaningful participation in society, and
- need to feel that their life has worth and a sense of purpose.

Building a more just society means forging relationships and building partnerships at every level.

Our goal is to achieve long-term sustainability, build our capacity to identify and research social problems and launch new programs in response to need.

## Community Partners

The Community Partner initiative is a new fundraising program seeking to recruit donors who want to make a difference and help create a better society by committing to regular contributions.

This guaranteed income allows Jesuit Social Services to confidently plan ahead, knowing that funds will be available – this helps us to achieve long term sustainability.

Community Partners are donors who share our vision and want to accompany us into the future. We would like to thank our inaugural members and look forward to welcoming more Community Partners in the coming year.

**For more information or to join, please contact Emma Walters at Central Office, [emma.walters@jss.org.au](mailto:emma.walters@jss.org.au) or visit [www.jss.org.au/help/Communitypartners.html](http://www.jss.org.au/help/Communitypartners.html)**



*l-r: Fr Peter Norden SJ, Linda Martin and Greg "Coodabeen" Champion at the Jesuit Social Services 2006 Annual Fundraising Dinner.*

At the 2006 Annual Dinner, Professor Dorothy Scott gave a superb keynote speech, "Reflections on Community, Compassion and Hope".

Greg "Coodabeen" Champion entertained in his inimitable style.

We are deeply grateful that they donated their services for our annual fundraising event.



*Guest Speaker, Professor Dorothy Scott.*

## COMMUNITY PARTNER PLEDGE

*Yes! I would like to become a Community Partner by making a monthly contribution to Jesuit Social Services.*

Please deduct

\$30  \$50

\$100  \$200

or please nominate amount

\$ .....  
per month from  
my credit card  
or account

Visa  MasterCard  American Express

No.

Expiry Date: ...../..... Signature: .....

Surname: .....

Given name(s) .....

Address: .....

..... Postcode: .....

Telephone: ..... Email: .....

OR direct debit my account

Account name: .....

BSB: ..... A/C No. ....

Bank: ..... Branch: .....

Surname: .....

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..... Postcode: .....

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Sue Serein  
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Residential Youth Workers

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Residential Youth Workers

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Back cover: A group of families from the North Richmond Housing Estate got a rare opportunity to have a holiday, going on camp to Torquay. Two friends Kimmy,(l) and Darnica,(r) love water. They were so excited to be there they went swimming in their clothes!



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*spirit of life*

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