

# LONELINESS

## - COMMUNITY

We hear so much these days about the breakdown of community. But what does that really mean? What's the reality behind the buzz-phrase?

It's young people looking for someone to just hang out with and share what's been happening in their lives. It's elderly people whose friends have died or who feel left out as their families get busier or move town.

Or it could be a couple in a relationship that separates them from friends and family.

The Salvation Army provides clubs for children, teenagers, adults and elderly people. Here, through sporting, social or spiritual activities, we help people connect with others in a way that is meaningful for them. It's a place where people can become part of life's bigger picture.



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## HOMELESSNESS

### - PLACES OF WELCOME

Nobody likes the fact that thousands of Australians are homeless. The Salvation Army is a part of the solution to a problem that often seems too big to think about.

Homelessness doesn't just mean people sleeping rough on the streets, although that's one part of it. It also means people who don't have a nurturing home environment, people living in unsafe housing or people at risk of becoming homeless. It can happen for all kinds of reasons: poverty, sexual abuse, family breakdown or mental illness.



Salvation Army Crisis Accommodation Centres and related programs offer people a place of welcome. As well as providing a place to stay, we help people get re-established in the community.

And there are other Salvation Army Centres, maybe around the corner from you, that provide a place of welcome for people whether they live in a secure home environment or not. Contact your nearest Salvation Army Community Church (Corps) to find out what is happening in your area.

