

Newtopian Outreach Project

A partnership with the community to address the growth in street homelessness in Newtown





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Background to the Project

1,300% increase in rough sleepers in Newtown

Housing affordability not getting better

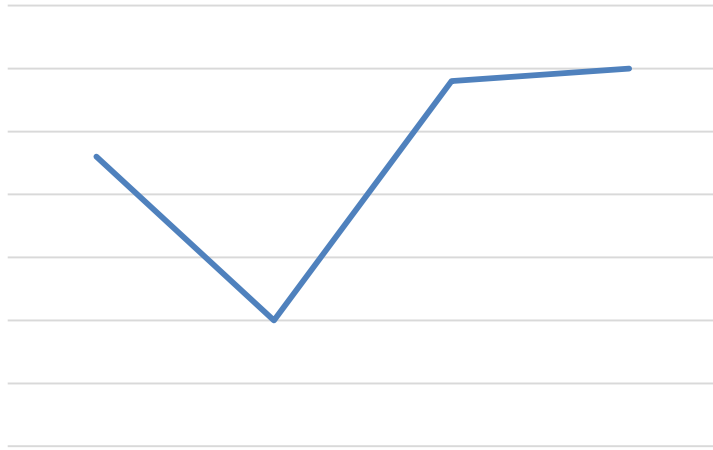
Increase in demand on services

Community concern

We

do it alone

Inner West Council and City of Sydney Annual Homeless Street Counts



Our response

NNC established 2 outreach programs to engage with people sleeping rough:

- A professional outreach we facilitated with other agencies

- A community/volunteer based outreach team



How each partnership worked

Professional outreach members include - FACS, SLHD, IW Council, Mission, Wesley, Exodus, YOTS, NEAMI

Structured and recorded case co-ordination meetings

Clear responsibilities for chairing, minute taking, follow up

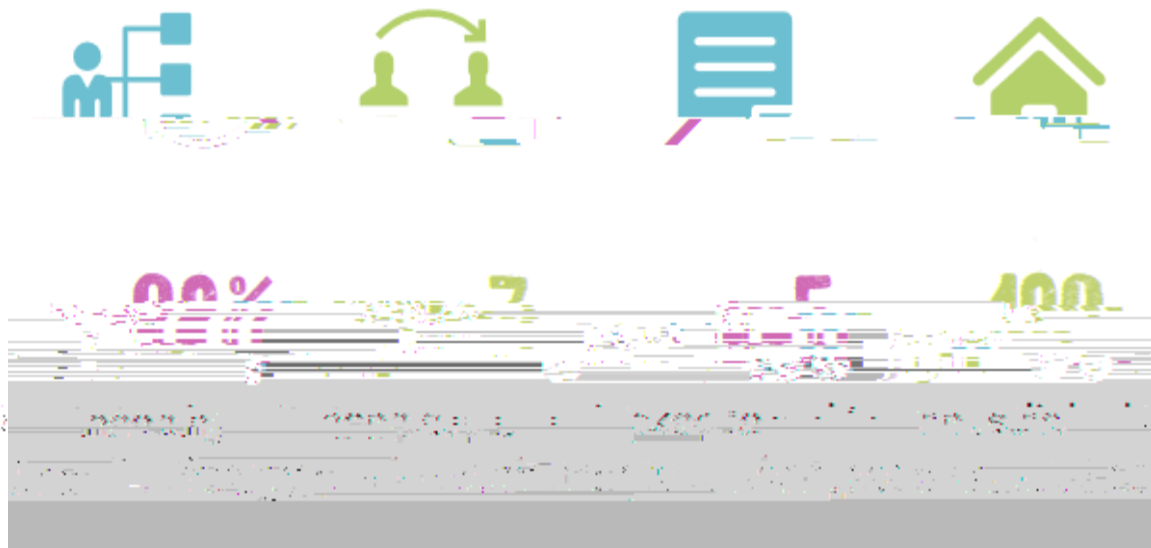
Clear mechanisms for flow of information between professional and community outreachers

Outcomes and Learnings



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Engagement with
stakeholders



Impact on Volunteers

Evaluation of the Newtopian Outreach project by Connie Henson, CEO of Learning Quest, demonstrated that the program positively impacted volunteers, NNC staff/key stakeholders and the Newtown Neighbourhood Centre as a whole.

		Pre-program		Post-program		Pre-program		Post-program		Pre-program		Post-program		Pre-program		Post-program		Pre-program		Post-program	

Sustainability



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