

Asylum Seeker Food Bank @ The Welcome Place

In order to provide support to people on Bridging Visas who have had their Status Resolution Support Service income support taken away, or who have Safe Haven Enterprise or Temporary Protection Visas and who do not have ongoing work, a food bank has been established at the Wesley Asylum Seeker Welcome Place. (This is in response to the Diversitat food bank closing due to funding ending.)

You can support this new service, by making donations of the following items:

Vouchers

Supermarket vouchers Myki cards with money loaded

Food Items

Chickpeas (dried or tinned) Lentils (dried or tinned) Red kidney beans (dried or tinned) Basmati rice Canned tuna (Sirena, in oil) Dried spaghetti noodles Tins of chopped tomatoes (plain) Tomato paste Coconut milk Sultanas Dates Dried apricots (Turkish style) Raw almonds

Tea (bags or loose leaf black, green or Earl Grey - **not** Dilmah brand for ethical reasons) Sunflower oil or other vegetable oil Coffee Flour Sugar Honey Packets of sweet biscuits Long life milk

Spices

Garam Masala Cardamom (pods or ground) Coriander seed Cinnamon (ground or sticks) Dill Turmeric Chilli (powder or dried chillies) Jars of minced garlic Jars of minced ginger Jars of minced chilli

Toiletries and cleaning products Boxes of tissues Soap Hand wash Shampoo Conditioner Deodorant Sanitary pads (not tampons) Toothpaste Toilet paper Laundry powder Dishwashing detergent Disinfectant Toilet/bathroom cleaner Cleaning cloths and dishwashing sponges

<u>Please note:</u> Opened or out-of-date items cannot be accepted.

Grocery items can be delivered to the Welcome Place:

- Between 2:30 and 6:00 pm on Fridays to The Wesley Centre, 218 Ryrie St Geelong (Set back in walkway between McDonalds and Mustafa's Kebabs – enter via garden gate)
- Other times only by arrangement (call Wesley Uniting Church 5229 8866)

Vouchers and financial donations can be mailed to:

Wesley Asylum Seeker Welcome Place C/- Wesley Uniting Church 100 Yarra St, Geelong 3220

Your support is greatly appreciated by people who came to Geelong to seek peace and safety. It is a wonderful way to say "Welcome!"

