

## PRIMARY SCHOOL SERVICE LEARNING PROGRAMS

Kids Giving Back offers hands on, age appropriate, meaningful volunteering opportunities for students to truly understand the value of giving and generosity.

### **Cook4Good**

**Half-day program, suitable for Year 6 and up** (Discussion component adjusted to suit age group)

Students cook meals at a community kitchen or alternative location followed by making deliveries to homeless shelters and community cafes for the homeless. Program includes an interactive educational activity about homelessness.

**Cost:** \$40/head +GST

**Minimum participants:** 20 *Please note – our rates do not include transportation*

\* We can also create a weekend *Cook4Good* for your school, community group or corporate

### **Cook4Good: Melting Pot**

**¾ day program, suitable for Year 5 and up** (Discussion component adjusted to suit age group)

Students cook delicious recipes from the cultures of various nationalities seeking asylum and refugee status. The morning also features a discussion about refugees and asylum seekers, challenges faced, and their integration into their new home country. Participants enjoy the lunch they have made together and donate the majority of meals cooked to communities in need.

**Cost:** \$50/head +GST    **Minimum participants:** 20    *Lunch Included*

*Please note – our rates do not include transportation*

### **Scones4Good**

**Half-day program - great for all primary ages**

*Scones4Good* is an intergenerational program that breaks the isolation experienced by many older people. The program's educational component introduces students to ways of interacting with the elderly, including those suffering dementia. A follow up discussion with a team member at the aged care home rounds off an engaging, rewarding morning.

Students bake scones at a community kitchen or alternative location, followed by a tea party at an aged care home. An hour is then spent serving scones and chatting with the elderly to truly make a difference to their day and often their entire week. Music brings intense joy to the elderly and we encourage students to sing and/or play a song or two.

*Scones4Good* is a highly interactive experience that brings huge warm smiles to participants of all ages.

**Cost:** \$30/head +GST

**Minimum participants:** 20 *Please note - our rates do not include transportation*

\* We can also create a weekend *Scones4Good* for your school, community group or corporate

## ***Food Clothing Shelter – Program 1: Half day***

**Half-day program, suitable for Year 4 and up** – (Discussion component adjusted to suit age group)

Takes place at our Charity Partner *Thread Together* - committed to providing new clothing for those who need it most. Students sort clothing, prepare and package meals, and learn about the work of *Thread Together*. Activities are integrated with an educational discussion about the recipients – victims of domestic violence, the homeless, refugees and asylum seekers (focus community to be determined in consultation with your school). Depending on your school's transportation and timing arrangements, students deliver clothing and food to shelters/communities on the return journey to school.

**Cost:** \$40/head +GST    **Minimum participants:** 20

**Location:** Banksmeadow (near Botany) *Please note – our rates do not include transportation*

## ***Food Clothing Shelter – Program 2: Incursion***

**5 x 90-minute sessions for Year 6**

This 5-week program can take place during school hours or after school, and provides students with a practical understanding of the basic needs that a growing number of people in our society (including children and teens) are unable to take for granted. While these needs are considered basic, they are in fact out of reach for so many.

Students will work to provide the basic elements for members of communities in need: this includes sorting clothing, preparing and packaging meals, creating care packages.

The program takes place at school, as well as at 2 off-site charity locations.

Each session includes a guest speaker representing the week's charity partner.

**Contact us now to book your Service Learning excursions and incursions**

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## TESTIMONIALS

My class and I thoroughly enjoyed the *Kids Giving Back* initiative. It is hands on, practical and lies at the heart of social justice. The boys thoroughly enjoyed their work and seeing it better society. It enabled a sense of satisfaction and charity that allowed for classroom understanding to 'come alive'. More than this, the program pushed them to act on conscience and become good men. I recommend this program highly.

**Mark Story Religious Education Teacher, St Ignatius' College, Riverview**

Our Hunter Valley Grammar Year 9 students participated in the *Kids Giving Back* program when in Sydney on our Urban Challenge Program earlier this year. This was the first time we have been involved in the Cook4Good program, and it added tremendous value to our Sydney Urban Challenge. Indeed, the most common response from our students was that it was one of the best parts of the four-day program. We will certainly make sure that Kids Giving Back is part of our program every year.

**Paul Teys, Principal, Hunter Valley Grammar School**

The thing I like most about Ruth and Carole from "Kids Giving Back" is their passion and humility. Here are two women that saw a need, had an idea and were prepared to take risks, to listen and to learn as they went along, letting their vision create itself. And it has truly become a powerful and necessary part of getting young people to be involved in community service.

They have worked hard to get access to age-appropriate activities, which has saved me a lot of time and energy. They are wise in their consulting with schools and other organisations and look carefully for the best fit. They are also very aware of the need for an educational basis, the importance of reflection and specific learning outcomes. I cannot express enough how valuable and significant their service is to our future generations and the sense of purpose they will take with them.

**Garry Lee-Lindsay, SCEGGS School Chaplain**

As a provider of programs for middle to senior school-aged students, we are often asked to include a service-learning component into our Urban Challenges. We have found that the programs run by *Kids Giving Back* not only provide an outstanding service to those in need, but also inspire students to become more involved and engaged in their own community through a volunteer experience they may not otherwise know. Urban Challenge students are provided the opportunity to actively participate and literally give back to the community. *Kids Giving Back* programs are now a sought-after activity by many of our schools, and the community engagement they inspire and better understanding of volunteer work has long-lasting benefits to the students. The staff at *Kids Giving Back* are very helpful when booking our Urban Challenge sessions, and always willing to assist and adapt when necessary – an absolute pleasure to work with. We look forward to many more programs with *Kids Giving Back*.

**Paul Colagiuri, The Urban Challenge**

*Kids Giving Back* is a wonderful organisation that taps into the most important natural resource our country has to offer. Our kids! Not only does *Kids Giving Back* empower young people to engage in altruistic endeavours, but they also provide opportunities to mix with people from all walks of life, meaning that students are developing their capacity to be socially aware and empathetic members of our society. *Kids Giving Back* programs not only complement the Australian National Curriculum, but also tap into the field of positive psychology and subjective wellbeing by recognising that the act of doing good for others is actually one of the best things we can do for ourselves. I'm proud to be associated with *Kids Giving Back* through our work together on the GROW program for students from Youth off the Streets.

**Dan Haesler, Director Cut Through Coaching and Consulting**

Additional testimonials <http://kidsgivingback.org/testimonials/>

## ABOUT US

**Kids Giving Back** is Australia's leading not for profit organisation for student volunteering, offering school-aged students a diverse range of community experiences.

**Kids Giving Back** makes it **easy for schools to engage** successfully with a wide range of charities through our end-to-end programs **embracing civic engagement** for young people. This includes on and off-site activities for ages 6 - 18.

**Kids Giving Back forges real connections** between kids and community, creating the '**next generation of generosity**'. Through volunteering, young people:

- Develop **empathy and resilience**, and
- Are guided toward leading a **purposeful life**

Research shows that:

***Both youth and communities benefit when students engage in service learning in and out of school. (Zaff and Lerner 2010)***

Through **our diverse proprietary programs**, **Kids Giving Back** assists over 50 charities. We aim to build a better more accepting society based on empathy and understanding, one child at a time. Among our wide-ranging programs we:

- Provide nutritious meals for homeless communities
- Foster integration of refugees
- Support intergenerational engagement with the elderly
- Offer meaningful engagement with children with disabilities

Since our founding in 2012, **Kids Giving Back** has provided the skills, experience and space to make magic happen, creating volunteering opportunities for over **15,000** students and family members and making and delivering over **50,000** meals to the homeless and individuals in need.

\*Numbers correct at June 2018

***Kids Giving Back is a movement***

- **Making it easy for kids to do good**
- **Creating the Next Generation of Generosity**
- **Inspiring Community Engagement for young people**

## For more information about Kids Giving Back

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