



20 November 2024

The Manager
Spotlight Mentone

Sponsorship Request

Dear Sir/Madam

Aspendale Gardens Community Service Inc (AGCS) is a not-for-profit organisation run by a voluntary Board of Management, which provides a comprehensive range of quality services for our community with a wide range of activities.

One of our most popular programs is our knitting and crochet group which meets each Tuesday afternoon at AGCS. This group creates beautiful handmade items which are donated to Knit One Give One (KOGO), another not-for-profit organisation, who distribute the donated items to their community partners for donation to the most vulnerable in many communities across Australia, including remote indigenous communities.

The knitting and crochet group started approximately 10 years ago with four people. We now have up to 25 attendees each week! Many who attend are elderly, living alone or living with and caring for family members. For some, this is their one social outing of the week, which keeps them connected to the community and gives them something to look forward to.

Many friendships have been formed and participants often catch up with each other outside the group which shows how important this activity is for social connection.

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How do participants feel about KOGO?

OUR SURVEY RESULTS



94%

Say it helps them meaningfully connect with others.



86%

Say coming to KOGO makes them feel less lonely.



87%

Noticed positive changes in their wellbeing since attending KOGO.

"When my husband died, I never left the house until my neighbour brought me to KOGO. Now I come every week."

As you will appreciate the cost of purchasing wool has increased substantially for AGCS, due to both the increase in cost and the growth of our group. In the last 12 months AGCS has spent approximately \$2,000 on wool alone.

To help AGCS continue to offer this vital community strengthening activity, we are seeking sponsorship for our knitting and crochet group, to purchase wool to keep our knitters knitting and our crocheters crocheting. While we are looking to raise \$3,000 in total for the year, we would also be glad to accept sponsorships starting at \$200 for the year.

We hope that this sponsorship can be of mutual benefit to you and to our KOGO team. Sponsorship with AGCS increases the profile of your business within our community. We regularly tag sponsors in our KOGO Facebook posts and feature their logos on our website and Term Activity Brochures.

AGCS has a rich community network which we've built and maintained for over 20 years as a community hub. We have around 1,200 visitors at our centre every week, and our community connections extend to the friends and families of visitors, across Aspendale Gardens & the City of Kingston.

KOGO is a wonderful program at AGCS we are grateful for the continued community support.

Your sponsorship would be greatly appreciated and will help us to continue to grow this wonderful program.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please either call the office on 9587 5955 or email us at: enquiries@agcsinc.org.au

Some Items knitted at KOGO



Thank you,
from KOGO at AGCS

