



**“ I really struggle if I have to go to the doctor or to a hospital appointment. People stare at me – it’s often a while since I had a shower or got clean clothes. I am embarrassed.**

**The team at WestCare are always so welcoming and respectful”**

Tom.<sup>1</sup>

An increasing number of older, frail South Australians are coming to Baptist Care SA for help.

Happily, there is a nurse on-site everyday, a doctor once a week and additional supports

<sup>1</sup> Not their real names

<sup>2</sup> Infrastructure SA State Infrastructure Strategy May 2020



coming soon.

**“ We are a family of five, so it’s been really hard for us to find accommodation. Since Malcolm lost his job, we have been relying on JobSeeker, but with it being cut back we couldn’t afford to stay where we were, so we came to Baptist Care SA for help.**

**They have been awesome finding us somewhere to live in the short term and helping us register for public housing.**

**I just hope we can find something near the kids’ school so we don’t have to move them again.”**

Sue.<sup>1</sup>

**There are almost 20,000 on the waiting list for public housing in South Australia.<sup>2</sup>**

## Baptist Care SA’s WestCare Centre relies on the goodwill and hard work of more than 60 volunteers each week to keep the doors open.

When SA government restrictions came into force in early 2020, we had to release our loyal volunteers. This left vital community supports with a skeleton team and we had to meet this urgent need by increasing staffing levels. To date, almost 1000 hours have been worked, costing more than \$35,000. This is unbudgeted expenditure.

While we are now able to re-sign our volunteers, this will be gradual over time and we will have to spend more to meet urgent need.

**We invite you to add to your gift by making an extra ‘COVID Care Supplement’ donation. Every dollar counts!**

**\$45** Nutritious breakfast and lunch for 2 weeks

**\$60** Family food parcel

**\$105** Pastoral care – dedicated one on one time with a support worker

**\$250** Specialised support including housing assistance, legal counsel & health support

**\$25** COVID Care Supplement – helping bridge the gap incurred through the loss of our volunteers

Baptist Care SA’s WestCare Centre is open six days a week and receives no government funding. We depend on the generosity of our donors to continue our vital services.

**DONATE NOW**

**by visiting [www.baptistcaresa.org.au](http://www.baptistcaresa.org.au) or complete the response form overleaf and return it to us today.**

**Yes, I'm dedicated to finding ways to make people's lives better.**

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**Cheque:**

Please make cheques payable to: **Baptist Care SA**

**Thank you for your gift.**  
A tax deductible receipt will be sent to you promptly.

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Fundraising Team  
130 Rose Terrace, Wayville SA 5034

Please do not send any further appeal material.

## Who are we?

Beginning in 1913, Baptist Care SA has grown to over 1000 dedicated staff and volunteers, working tirelessly to help South Australians achieve their full potential. We're committed to working with the State's most disadvantaged, championing local issues and connecting with people to enable positive change.

It isn't easy tackling such tough issues, but our clients' successes mean it's often extremely rewarding.

Learn more about us at [baptistcaresa.org.au](http://baptistcaresa.org.au)



**WestCare Centre**  
11 – 19 Millers Court Adelaide SA 5000  
T 08 8118 5200

Open Monday to Friday 9.00am – 3.00pm  
Sunday 11.30am – 1.00pm

If assistance is required outside business hours, please contact the SA Homelessness Gateway on 1800 003 308.

# Dedicated. Determined.

## Together, we'll find ways to make people's lives better.

In the wake of a community ravaged by COVID-19, 2021 brings further challenges for South Australians doing it tough.



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