## Why your support

## means so much

# Hutt-St-Centre-

#### end homelessness



Hutt St Centre is a place of connection and support, where people at risk of or experiencing homelessness are empowered to rebuild their lives, rediscover their identities and reunite with those who love them.

When people come to us, we help fulfil their immediate needs, like a shower, a meal, and a charged phone. More than 20 visiting services also provide support ranging from medical check-ups to financial counselling.

And with a focus on the future, we connect people with housing, education and employment opportunities to build the skills and confidence to change their circumstances for good.





There are more than

On average,



people experiencing homelessness in South Australia.



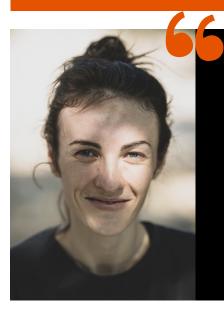
nutritious meals served at Hutt St Centre every year.



people seek help at Hutt St Centre every month.

### Did you know?

We prefer to say 'people experiencing homelessness' instead of 'homeless people' or 'the homeless'. For most people, homelessness is a temporary experience – not a life sentence.



Life hands you things that are out of your control, then your whole life is flipped upside down. Thank goodness there's somewhere like Hutt St Centre.

Angie

\*This is a real story, but names and images have been changed to protect the person's privacy. ^ From 998 VI-SPDAT surveys completed with clients entering Hutt St Centre, 2018-2021.

## Homelessness can happen to anyone.

Of the people who come to Hutt St Centre for support:

- 40% are women, 59% are men and 1% are gender-diverse.
- 90% are experiencing a physical health issue.
- 82% are experiencing a mental health issue.
- 60% have a combination of complex health needs, yet
  47% have not received any medical treatment.
- 88% have an employment history.
- 83% have not accessed any other support services.
- 75% have survived abuse or trauma and 51% have experienced further violence on the streets.
- 70% lost their home due to a relationship breakdown.
- 60% are sleeping rough when they first seek our help.
- 25% identify as having a disability.