

“You know, I survived on this for 18 months,” a very grateful client with no income announced as he held up a supermarket voucher he received fortnightly from CARAD.

Since opening the doors in 2000, CARAD has made positive changes to the lives of more than 5000 asylum seekers, refugees and detainees in WA – all made possible through our generous and passionate member, donor and volunteer community.

CARAD is receiving an ever growing number of referrals to our Case Management Program for emergency relief. In recent months, the demand for support has nearly doubled. Emergency relief provides clients with no income with rent assistance, emergency accommodation, and medications. In addition to these, one of the essential services we offer are food vouchers. These are provided to asylum seekers who are on bridging visas or no visa, without work rights or income, and they have limited or no access to education opportunities and healthcare. Food vouchers give them a choice and flexibility to purchase items specific to their individual and cultural needs

Many of these people are having their case reviewed at court as they feel the Department of Immigration and Border Protection have unfairly ‘finally determined’ their protection visa applications. Unfortunately, this can take years to complete. CARAD assists these people to remain ‘afloat’ in the community during this time. These asylum seekers and refugees face destitution and homelessness and live with constant and extreme uncertainty. As the number of people in this situation increases, there is more reliance on CARAD to provide support and resources than ever before. To do this, **we need your help.**

We’re calling on the community to help us raise \$12,000 by August 31 to go towards the #caradwinterappeal. This will enable CARAD to meet the demands of more people needing emergency relief assistance by providing vouchers to clients so they can purchase items which are not available through our Foodbank Program. The Foodbank Program provides people with little or no income access to fresh fruit and vegetables as well as pantry and personal care items. A \$25 voucher will support an individual with no income for one week. A \$50 voucher will support a family with income for one week.

How you can help

Go to our website www.carad.org.au and follow the links to our donate page.

Any amount you can donate would be greatly appreciated. It is through people such as you that we can provide much needed support to asylum seekers, refugees, and detainees who, in many cases, have nowhere else and no one else to turn to.

Thank you again for helping CARAD to make a positive change in the lives of so many asylum seekers, refugees and detainees here in Western Australia.



So, how can you help?

We are on a mission to raise \$12,000 to ensure CARAD can expand its Emergency Relief Program, specifically food vouchers to meet the increase in asylum seekers and refugees and the demand for our services.

We know with the support we already have and the increasing support and awareness we are receiving, our \$12,000 goal amount will most certainly be achievable and how proud we would be if that became a reality!

A \$25 donation will support an individual on no income for one week and a \$50 voucher will support a family on no income for one week.

Your donation is of course tax deductible and if we together can reach that magical \$12,000 number what a fantastic collective, community effort.

All you need to do is tick the box stating that you would like to provide CARAD with a donation fill in your details and presto you're part of the CARAD community and making a considerable and fantastic difference to the lives of others.

We thank you so much for your help as again, we couldn't do it without you.

Donate at: <http://www.givenow.com.au/caradappeal> OR

Post a cheque or complete the form below and send it to: CARAD 245 Stirling St Perth WA 6000

FROM NOW ON I WANT TO GIVE MONTHLY

Please charge my credit card every month with this amount:

\$40 \$60 \$75 \$100 Other \$ _____

PLEASE ACCEPT MY CARAD WINTER APPEAL DONATION (TICK ONE BOX)

Please charge my credit card with this amount:

\$25 \$50 \$75 \$100 Other \$ _____

Please debit my credit card Visa MasterCard Amex

Card number:

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