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President's Report

The Board for 2020 -2022 took office on June 1st under very different circumstances from previous years because of Covid 19 restrictions. This year we will get straight to business with no changeover dinner and the first few meetings both Board and General to be done remotely by Zoom.

Thank you to the previous Board for your hard work and endeavours. The board for this biennium is a little understaffed with two positions still vacant, that of Correspondence Secretary and a director (one year). We welcome with thanks two members who are new to the Board.

As restrictions are starting to be eased, we will gradually get on track with all the plans we have for this year and we look on this start as a new learning experience.

Looking forward to working with all of you and achieving many new goals with the club in 2020 -2022.

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Congratulations ladies from Zonta Redcliffe



Zonta International District 22

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2020/2022 Incoming Board and Committee chairs orientation day, zoom style !
Great morning, thank you for facilitating Zontian Lynne Foley!

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1. Diversification of revenue streams
2. Innovation of all aspects of your organisation
3. Embrace digital, technology and data
4. Collaboration within and outwith the NFP sector
5. Cultivation of donors, corporate partners, supporters and volunteers
6. Adopt a growth mindset
7. Measurement of your impact
8. Recruitment and retention of top talent, especially those with digital skills
9. Agility and speed to market
10. Asset building for long-term sustainability
11. Governance
12. Transparency



Here is some background information to the Lady Musgrave Trust as our club will be assisting in the distribution of the booklet discussed in the article below.

ladymusgravetrust.org.au

Queensland charity to expand its focus to older homeless women

By Jocelyn Garcia

December 19, 2019

Queensland's oldest charity is turning its attention to the rise in older women facing homelessness by expanding its services.

The Lady Musgrave Trust, originally dedicated to sheltering vulnerable young women and their children, plans to create a guide for women over 50 who are facing homelessness.

Research is already under way as part of the Ending Homelessness for Older Women project – supported by the Cromwell Property Group Foundation – under which about 12,000 guides will be published and distributed.

An accommodation pilot program in Ipswich will also be introduced next year to open the doors for older women.

Lady Musgrave Trust president Patricia McCormack said the charity traditionally looked after women aged 18 to 30 and their children.

"What we'd like to do is see if we can do a trial and have older women with the younger women to see if they can help each other," she said.

"While they're desperately trying to sort their situation out with us, they can also help others in the process. That would help them feel worthy and bring back self-confidence."

Ms McCormack said after collecting the research results to create the guide, the trust would begin the accommodation trial.

"A lot of these older women are very proud and think, 'Well how did I find myself in this position? What do I do?'" she said.

"The key thing is getting the information together so when they find themselves in hardship, they know what is available."

Ms McCormack said the guidebook would help older women, who have a different set of circumstances to the younger demographic.



Lady Musgrave Trust president Patricia McCormack (left) and chief executive Karen Lyon Reid.

Credit: The Lady Musgrave Trust

"They probably came out of a house and dependence on someone for bank accounts and whatnot, but they don't know how to access it now," she said.

Lady Musgrave Trust chief executive Karen Lyon Reid said women over 50 were the fastest-growing group of people at risk of homelessness in Australia.

"ABS census data identified a 31 per cent increase in older women's homelessness over five years," she said. "That's an alarming increase ... and we need to address these statistics."

Ms Lyon Reid feared the problem could be worse than the statistics showed.

"Many of these women end up staying with friends, in motels, or sleeping rough in their cars. They're very private people and feel ashamed about their circumstances, so it's hard to capture those people in the census," she said.

Ms Lyon Reid said a perfect storm of factors – relationship breakdowns, domestic violence, pay and superannuation inequity, and a reluctance or lack of awareness about seeking support – could be to blame for the rise.

The project's findings will be presented at The Lady Musgrave Trust's 12th Annual Forum for Women and Homelessness in August 2020.