

## Media Release

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# Victoria gives hope to homeless youth at Junction House



Photo: Alice (Junction Australia) with Victoria and her Mum Christina

**Eight young people residing at Junction Australia’s emergency accommodation house for homelessness young people in the outer southern region of Adelaide recently welcomed a delicious home cooked meal and a big box of goodies made by a caring local seven-year-old who wanted to give back to young people experiencing homelessness.**

Victoria of Happy Valley created dozens of handmade loom bands which she sold through family and friends to raise over \$75 for Junction House’s young residents in just three days.

Victoria and her mother used the money to purchase ingredients for a home-made pie and a box of goodies, including fruit and chocolates, to show their support to the young people at Junction House.

Junction Australia CEO Graham Brown said “It was a welcome surprise to have Victoria and her mother show up bearing gifts. Both the young people and the staff were delighted to see the compassion and generosity of this inspiring young girl”.

“It is truly heart-warming that a seven-year-old can show such compassion towards disadvantaged and marginalised young people and also raise awareness in the community about the plight of homelessness young people,” Mr Brown said.



“We are really grateful for the contribution that this young girl has made to help us support young people. Extra help from the community is always greatly appreciated as it really does make the young people feel valued when they need it most.”

Junction House provides supported emergency accommodation for young people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. They pay rent and commit to working with support staff to re-engage with school or alternative educational pathways.

With the skilled support of staff at Junction House, the young people are learning independent living skills such as cooking, budgeting, laundry, cleaning and self-care. Most residents stay between three to six months before being assisted into transitional accommodation and preparing for a long-term home.

“Junction Australia’s staff support hundreds of vulnerable young people every year to become the authors of their future, rather than the victims of their past” Mr Brown said.

For more information about Junction House, please click [here](#).

*Junction Australia is a trusted provider of a wide range of community support services and high quality, affordable housing that currently manages 1,700 homes across South Australia. We firmly believe that by working together we can take steps that enable people to navigate their way from ‘Crisis to Connectedness’. Our clients are supported to overcome barriers, access opportunities and pursue their hopes and dreams.*

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