

Dear Jews for Social Action and the Roseville Uniting Church.

Thank you very much for your kind donation of groceries. This will allow the shelves of our "store" to be well stocked, so we can give out weekly parcels of food and monthly packs of toiletries to those in need. We are currently providing bags to over 250 asylum seekers every week. Generous practical donations serve to demonstrate to the asylum seekers that come to our centre that there are people in the local community who care about their well being.

The Asylum Seekers Centre in Newtown NSW is a place of hospitality and welcome. We currently provide direct **practical and social support to over 1500 people** who are seeking asylum while living in the local community. These women, men and children, from over 74 different countries, have commonly fled persecution, war and torture to seek a new life of peace and security.

Our professional staff and volunteers provide services including health care and counselling, legal advice, accommodation and financial support, employment assistance, education, social activities, a Food Bank and daily meals. These services respond to the needs, strengths and capabilities of each person seeking asylum - helping them to prosper in most difficult circumstances.

We will keep you informed about the work of the Centre, upcoming events and other ways you might like to get involved. Please contact Jamie Lee at jamie.lee@asylumseekerscentre.org.au for any inquiries regarding donations of food and material items.

Thank you again for your donation.

Yours sincerely,

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Frances Rush

Chief Executive Officer