

## CALL OUT FOR VOLUNTARY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

### Volunteer Management Committee members for the Greenacre Area Community Centre

Are you interested in supporting people living in the local community of Greenacre, Chullora, Mt Lewis and surrounding areas who are experiencing social or economic disadvantage? If your answer is yes, consider joining the Greenacre Area Community Centre's Management Committee and help make a difference!

We are seeking people who are passionate about their community to join the Greenacre Area Community Centre Management Committee. Governance experience and/or specialist skills such as accounting, HR or a legal background would be highly regarded. Preference is for people who reside/work or study in the Canterbury Bankstown LGA but applicants with specific skills can be recruited from outside of the area as per our Constitution.

### About Greenacre Area Community Centre

Greenacre Area Community Centre (GACC) is a not-for-profit community organisation offering a range of services and programs to the local communities of Greenacre, Chullora, Mt Lewis and the wider Canterbury Bankstown Local Government Area.

GACC has been in operation since 1997. It became an Incorporated Association in 2002, under the name Greenacre Area Neighbourhood Centre Inc., changing its name in 2011 to Greenacre Area Community Centre to reflect the terminology more commonly used within the community.

Whilst programs and services have evolved over the years in response to community needs and the availability of funding, GACC has retained its focus on providing community capacity building programs for the whole community, with a particular focus on children, young people, families, and people who are socially isolated or disadvantaged.

GACC has built strong local networks and collaborates with other agencies to increase community access to services. We are members of the Canterbury Bankstown Domestic Violence Committee and our staff sit on various other committees and community interagencies.

### Our Vision, Purpose, Values and Goals

#### Vision

*An inclusive, empowered, and engaged community*

#### Values

**Ethical:** *We work in a way which is honest, right, and fair*

**Socially Just:** *We advocate for equality. We support people to improve their lives and claim their human rights.*

**Inclusive:** *We work to create a community where everyone feels they belong, no matter who they are, where they are from, or what their life journey has been.*

**Collaborative:** *We promote genuine community engagement and participation. We listen to the community so we can continually improve. We build partnerships, and collaborate with our colleagues inside and outside of the organisation.*

***Creative:*** We use our imagination, energy, and resourcefulness to find new and innovative ways to achieve our Vision

***Sustainable:*** We operate in a way that supports environmental, social, and economic sustainability.

## **Purpose**

*Greenacre Area Community Centre provides a range of services and activities that address local issues and strengthen our community. We are a central access point for information, support and community engagement. We offer a safe, welcoming space for all, with a focus on expanding opportunities for people who are disadvantaged.*

At the present time, GACC offers the following services and programs:

- Supported Playgroup
- School holiday activities
- Counselling and case work
- Parenting Programs
- Transition to (primary) School Programs
- Exercise and interest classes
- English classes
- Women's Support Groups
- Tax Help
- Community events
- Information and referral
- Drop-in client support
- Work Development Order (WDO) Program
- Food Share
- Access to phones and photocopying
- Assistance with forms
- Advocacy in dealing with government agencies
- Student Placements
- Hall Hire

The **governing body** of GACC is a **volunteer Management Committee** comprised of local residents or workers who are professionals with the requisite skills and a strong commitment to locally-based community services. The Management Committee is elected by the Centre's membership at our Annual General Meeting or appointed by the Management Committee to fill casual vacancies when they arise.

## **Members' Commitment**

- Attend and participate in monthly Management Committee meetings of approx. 2- hours duration
- Review monthly reports and other material provided, participate in discussions and contribute to quality decision making
- Attend any extra ordinary meetings as required

- Office Bearers may be required to perform other duties such as signing of documents, minute taking, meeting with funding bodies, attending cheque presentations etc.

### **Application Process**

Anyone interested in joining the Management Committee should apply for membership of the Greenacre Area Community Centre if not already a member. Please complete the “Application for Centre Membership” form and “Application to Join the Management Committee” form attached to this document. Your application will be tabled at the next Management Committee meeting for approval. The applicant can, if they wish, attend this meeting to discuss their application and meet the committee.

Following the committee meeting, the applicant will be notified of the outcome of their application and if successful will be invited to attend their first management committee meeting where an orientation to the service will be provided.

Completed forms can be emailed to [eo@gacc.org.au](mailto:eo@gacc.org.au)

For further information please contact the Executive Officer via email: [eo@gacc.org.au](mailto:eo@gacc.org.au) or by phone on 9750 7982.

Thank You