

Tenant Newsletter

CONNECT VICTORIA PARK | NOV 2023

'Tis the season!

The holidays are upon us! Our delicious Xmas lunch at Village Hub is on December 19, don't forget to book your place! Come and be jolly with your friends and neighbours!

Connect's office will be closed from 3pm on Friday, December 22, until 8.30am on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

During the holidays, please ensure your Emergency Contact has a copy of your key, in case you lock yourself out.

Alternatively, a lock box by your door is always good—please talk to Maria or Peter if you would like one installed.

In case of a property emergency during the holidays, please call the office (9361 2904) and choose option 2.



For health or personal emergencies, please call 000.

We wish all tenants happy holidays and a wonderful 2024! 🏠

First Aid Demo on November 30

Our First Aid demonstration with St John is coming up on Thursday, November 30, from 1.30pm to 3.30pm.

St John will cover principles of first aid, shock or fainting management, heart conditions (including heart attacks), bleeding and strokes.

If there is time, we will revisit the defibrillator

demo we had last year.
This is a FREE training for
Connect tenants only,
and a great opportunity



to get a general understanding of how to respond in emergency situations.

To attend the demonstration, please RSVP before Friday, November 24. Please call the office on 9361 2904 and Kritika will put your name down.

We want your design ideas!

Connect has been working on plans for building new Community Housing units for people over 60 years of age in Vic Park. That's pretty exciting!

Even though there's lots of work needed to ensure we have the resources to be able to build, we would love to start with listening to you, our current tenants.

We would love to hear your ideas on how to best design Community Housing units for future tenants—considering we are successful in raising funds



and finding appropriate land to build. In early 2024, we will run a Focus Group with current Connect tenants to gather ideas and desires for future units dedicated to people over 60.

A focus group is just a way of getting people together to explore one particular topic, in this case, the ideal features of Community Housing units for older people.

So if you would like to participate, all you need to do is have a chat to Flavia. When the time comes to run the Focus Group, we will contact you.



Let's party!

Want to invite all the neighbours in your block for an end-of-the-year celebration?

Like last year, we're happy to help with a voucher from Woolies to help with catering.

The BBQ is also available for use and just needs to be cleaned and returned after your gathering.

If you and your neighbours are organising a party, have a chat to Maria or Flavia and we'll organize a voucher for you. We can also help with a flyer to invite everyone in your block.

Cheers! 🤼



Seniors Award

Fresh from receiving Shelter WA's Excellence in Service Experience Award, Connect was chosen as **Age-Friendly Business of the year!**

The 2023 WA Seniors Awards were presented by the Council on the Ageing (WA), the Department of Communities and Lotterywest.

"Connect Victoria Park is a great example of how social enterprises can promote active and healthy ageing", said Minister for Seniors and Ageing, the Honourable Don Punch.

A few reminders

- * Your annual inspection is also a chance for us to **check on your wellbeing** and chat about how we can better support you. That's why we ask you to be home for your inspection.
- * The Commonwealth Rent Assistance (CRA) is linked to the rent you pay. Please **inform Centrelink of your current rent** to ensure you receive the maximum CRA you are entitled to.
- * Your **rent is linked to your income**, so please let us know any changes to your income. Thank you!