

# FRIENDS OF STARICK NEWSLETTER

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Starick

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The Starick op shop is overstocked with some seriously good clothing, books, household goods, bedding and toys, so we've decided it's time for a.....

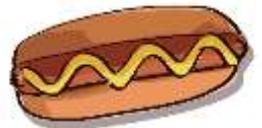
## MONSTER GARAGE SALE & SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Come along, meet our staff and make us an offer we can't refuse!

**WHEN:** 8am to 3pm, Sat 18 February

**WHERE:** 9 Love Street, Cloverdale.

**WHAT:** Pre-loved dresses, toys, shoes, kids' clothing, doonas, bric-a-brac and more.  
\$2.50 sausage sizzle 9am to 1pm.



## COMMUNITY SPIRIT

In October, business manager Mandy Hughes and op shop manager Sandy Hunt were presented with the Community Spirit Award at the Belmont & WA Small Business Awards 2016.

Congratulations to Sandy and her team of hard-working volunteers.



## LIVED EXPERIENCE SPEECHES

Susan and Judith, both survivors of domestic violence, made presentations to our management team in late January, telling their stories of DV.

Susan and Judith were part of Starick's first intake for the Lived Experience program, which offers women a safe environment in which to write about their experiences of domestic violence and share with others.

Participants were also taught public speaking techniques, and how to use a microphone.

Funding for the Lived Experience pilot program was provided by the City of Gosnells. We're hoping to run another series of workshops later in the year.

## SAFE AT HOME PROJECT

Safe at Home (SAH) is a new program for Starick, aimed at assisting women and children experiencing domestic or family violence to remain living in their own home safely.

In partnership with the Aboriginal Alcohol and Drug Service - Wooree Miya Refuge, Starick is also piloting a SAH program specifically for Aboriginal women and children living in selected suburbs of Perth's Eastern corridor.

Funding for a two-year period has been made available through the Federal Government's *Keeping Women Safe in their Homes Initiative*, and is administered through the Department for Child Protection and Family Support.

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## SAFE AT HOME PROGRAM

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Safe at Home is an important addition to the mix of services Starick provides.

Domestic Violence is one of the main causes of homelessness for women and children.

By supporting women to stay safely in their homes, the program prevents homelessness and assists women in maintaining their existing connections with community, schools, etc.



### WE'D VALUE YOUR INPUT

As a Friend of Starick, if you have any queries about the Safe at Home program, wish to participate in some way, or have thoughts about stakeholders with whom Starick and Wooree Miya should be engaging, please contact the Safe at Home Project Officer Rosita D'Adamo on 9458 1107 or email [Rosita.Dadamo@starick.org.au](mailto:Rosita.Dadamo@starick.org.au)

## TransAlta donates \$11K

Starick recently received an \$11,000 donation from TransAlta's Community Investment Program, to fund the installation of solar panels at our Mary Smith refuge. "Transalta are a great supporter of ours," says Starick CEO Leanne Barron.

"A few years back they contributed to our client Christmas party. This year they're helping us increase the sustainability of the Mary Smith refuge." Transalta's Business Development Manager Liz Cussans says the company is delighted to support Starick.

"We consider Perth our community. It's where our head office is located, and we think the work that Starick does is of huge value."



## SUPPORT FOR SISTERS

Many women escaping from violence arrive at our two refuges with only the clothes they stand up in.

With the help of Sarina Elder of Intimo Apparel, we're aiming to provide each of them with their own set of professionally-fitted underwear.

Sarina will visit our refuges, measure the women and help them select a beautiful set of bra and briefs from the Intimo collections.

You can support this cause at [givenow.com.au/supportforsisters](http://givenow.com.au/supportforsisters).

Every cent you donate will go towards purchasing underwear for the women in our refuges.



## 11 MARCH ELECTION: WHO STANDS FOR WHAT?

Members of The Women's Council for Domestic and Family Violence Services WA have written to all political parties, seeking their policy platforms around responding to domestic and family violence and/or sexualised violence.

As policies are released, the responses will be forwarded to council members and we'll post these on the Starick website at [starick.org.au](http://starick.org.au).

Obviously this is an overwhelmingly important issue, and we join the Women's Council in calling on all political parties to seriously commit to making it a top priority. We also urge you as a Friend of Starick to find out what your local politicians are planning to do to alleviate domestic violence in the community.