



'CD in the CBD'

Exploring Community Development in the Heart of Melbourne

Date: Tuesday 23 September 2014

Venue: Ross House, Hayden Raysmith Room, Level 4, 247 Flinders Lane, Melbourne.

This forum is for anyone who has an interest in community development. It will explore where community development sits today by comparing past and present community development practice and experience. Participants will have opportunity to network and share knowledge on how to survive and thrive while using community development practice.

Program

- 9.30 **Registration**
- 10.00 Welcome and Introductions
- 10.15 **Community Development (CD) in practice**
Guest Speaker – Denise Cauchi – The **Diaspora Action Australia** (formerly Humanitarian Crisis Hub) works with Australian diaspora organisations that promote the human rights of people living in war and conflict. Denise will discuss why the organisation has chosen to use the CD methodology approach.
- 10.45 **Community Development (CD) past and present**
Guest Speakers – Pauline Williams, Action for More Independence & Dignity in Accommodation (AMIDA) carries out advocacy including self advocacy with individuals and groups with a focus on housing. Pauline will share her extensive knowledge of CD and its practice.
- 11.20 **Speaker to be confirmed**
- 11.45 **Session 1: Community Development today**
This session will explore what CD looks like today, tell us about your current or recent project and why the CD approach has been applicable.
- 12.30 **Lunch**
- 1.15 **Session 2: How to survive and thrive**
Impacts on maintaining the CD model for your project/ organisation/group and for you personally.
- 2.45 **Summary of CD in the CBD**
- 3.15 **Close**

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