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## Director's Report

The year 1984-'85 started off with the promise that it would be a year of consolidation and achievement of better and more skilful delivery of service. And indeed in some areas this has occurred. However the loss of two key staff in January had repercussions for the whole agency, the plan of the Catholic Social Welfare Commission to re-group services had understandable effects on the security of personnel. It has been of great credit to staff that they have continued to give good service while coping with the results of these.

Two other significant events took place - Youthcare which had for a while been semi-detached from Centrecare, became autonomous under the Catholic Social Welfare Commission in April, and Marriage Guidance and Family Welfare have started the process of amalgamating into one service.

This amalgamation was the result of the deliberations of the Working Party on Structures, which with the help of a Consultant paid by the Archbishop spent much time and effort on a proposal for clarifying, altering and consolidating Centrecare organisationally. Marriage and Family services have overlapped professionally for years and since amalgamation would also be more cost effective it was seen by the working party to be a logical step. There will no doubt be some regrets for the passing of the Marriage Guidance Council but we hope and trust that the combined services will give even better assistance to our clients.

Owing to the previously mentioned difficulties my intention to institute some type of Evaluation procedure for some of the services, was not fulfilled. I still hope however, that we may do this in the not too distant future.

One bright spot is that Centrecare has managed to attract more funding from Government, both Federal and State, for almost all its services. Some of this funding enables a welcome expansion of service, especially in the accommodation area, and we have high hopes that our Mandurah Counselling branch will be funded under the new Budget allocation to the Attorney General. The willingness of Governments to contribute to costs and in some cases pay whole salaries for Centrecare services, is a measure of Centrecare's credibility in the community.

Centrecare owes a debt of gratitude to all those volunteers who help with service to clients, sit on Committees, fundraise etc. My thanks go them and to all those who supported me in my task of Director both within Centrecare and outside it and who gave dedicated and skilful service to clients. My thanks also to the Archbishop for his continuing interest and to Bishop Hickey for helpful consultations. I am also grateful for Government Departments and Committees, both Federal and State and to other welfare bodies and individuals who have assisted us in our work.

I have pleasure then in presenting the following report on the work of Centrecare.

# C.Y.S.S.

Centrecare C.Y.S.S. has had a fruitful year with some changes but much development which has furthered our broad aims of providing job-related skills, training, and work preparation, and social, emotional and educational support to young people while unemployed so that they may become more self reliant and resourceful.

We continue to encourage our participants to perform community work, and take odd jobs and casual work where possible.

The project officers handle the day-to-day organization of the programme, keeping statistical records, paying accounts and participant travel costs and acting as an advice, information and referral service. The last 12 months has seen committee members, project officers and participants working very well together as a confident team running a successful programme.

There have been 17 sessional instructors who have offered different skills to participants such as commercial, craft, computer, photography, radio, guitar, basketweaving, medical terminology, and industrial sewing. We have also had tremendous support and help from volunteer instructors and from various community bodies, and private enterprise. In total there have been some 58 different categories of activities offered including leisure skills like Canoeing and life and health courses such as Personal development and Health and Sexuality. Space does not permit the listing of every activity.

We applied successfully for funding for special projects.  
These were--

C.Y.S.S. Special Initiatives  
Funding:  
\$13,320 for research into  
Vietnamese/Kampuchean  
participation in C.Y.S.S.

W.A. Post Secondary Education  
Commission  
\$2,550 - Further develop attendance  
at Gidgegannup Workshop.

Perth City Council  
\$2,550 to purchase equipment.

Co-Action Community Employment  
Initiatives Unit  
\$750 and \$570 Production of weekly  
Radio Programme.

## GIDGEGANNUP WORKSHOP.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Bill Mangini for the continued use of his educational workshop facilities at Gidgegannup, and also for his professional advice throughout 1984/85.

## STATISTICS.

Participation in the Centrecare C.Y.S.S. Project remained consistent over the past 12 months, a 28.7 average per day. Total participation for the period was 348 Male and 292 Female.

## JOB-FINDING.

A high of about 22 jobs found for males occurred in the fourth quarter while females topped 20 only in the first quarter, and were generally considerably lower than males. The third quarter however saw only 6 jobs found for males, and about 10 for females.

## PARTICIPANT PROFILE.

### School Leavers

(15 to 17 y.o.) These are generally well-motivated but lack many of the essential skills needed for holding employment.

### Migrant unemployed.

Covers a wide range of ethnic groups but mainly Vietnamese, Kampuchean and European. These people face immense problems in seeking work, especially in communication and having their educational qualifications recognised.

### Short-Term Unemployed.

Generally highly motivated. Keen to learn new skills.

### Transient Unemployed

Usually young and homeless, lacking family and social supports, with low educational levels. They also lack self-esteem and motivation towards work but are keen participators.

### Unemployed Youth Seeking Specific Information.

These people seek information re-employment benefits, accommodation etc.

### Long Term Unemployed.

(18 - 14 y.o.) Many have problems associated with low self-esteem, poor motivation towards work and inadequate social supports. They place great emphasis on reward for effort.

### Tertiary Unemployed

These people usually attend for special activities and to learn new skills, e.g. typing. Highly skilled and motivated but often depressed. Can often find a niche in the programme to offer back their skills.

## PROMOTION AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.

The Project has established close links with many community groups, business houses, media, local Government and non-government secondary schools, Technical Colleges and the C.E.S. The programme has been advertised in various venues and the West Australian, but still the best form of promotion is by 'word of mouth' participants.

We look forward to an exciting future and if successful in our application for Third Level Funding (3 Project Officers) we will develop our migrant participation. The current Vietnamese/Kampuchean research has evoked great interest within this group as to the future training needs of their youth.

We look to expand our range of activities further and offer more professional and extensive training in work skills and the development of leisure and social skills in the young unemployed of this area.

# Marriage Guidance Council

Last year saw some significant improvements in the service and in counsellor education in the first half of the year. Several students with tertiary qualifications took part in an intern-trainee counselling course run by the Marriage Family and Divorce Centre with the help of Dan Coughlin and the Co-Ordinator. An excellent seminar on 'Violence in the Family' was arranged for December and Re-Accreditation procedures were gone through by most of our counsellors in January.

● visit from Mr. Fox of the Attorney-General's Department, the first by him for three years, was a success in that he declared that he was much happier with the standard of counselling and supervision than he had been on his previous visits. I attribute this largely to the efforts of the Co-Ordinator, Gerry Katz, who most unfortunately was obliged to leave in January as her husband had secured a job in Sydney. Also unfortunately we have been unable to replace Gerry because of continuing uncertainty about whether Marriage Guidance was to amalgamate with Family Welfare. This move was proposed by the Working Party on Structures of Centrecare, but was only recently ratified by the Catholic Social Welfare Commission. We envisage greater efficiency in selecting the best counsellors for the client, better education of counsellors and eventually with a new phone system long-term savings in overheads.

The Director attended a meeting of the Australian Conference of Marriage Counselling Organisations in which it was de-

cidated that henceforth the 'real' costs of running counselling services would be asked for from the Attorney-General in an attempt to encourage the greater overall funding of Marriage Counselling. There

have been recent interesting statistics viz. every divorce costs Australia \$83 per head of population per annum while marriage counselling costs 27 cents per head per annum. The cost of divorce does not include ongoing charges such as Supporting Parent's Benefit. It should be obvious to the Government, given the success of marriage counselling as a whole, that it would be much cheaper to fund it properly, apart from the other benefits which would accrue.

My thanks are due to all the volunteer counsellors who give generously of their time in counselling our clients; also to Irish Oliver who stood in so well as locum counsellor.

Our Mandurah Counselling branch has worked very well and we applied for full funding from the Attorney-General, on Mr. Fox's advice. The Attorney-General's Department has acknowledged that this seems worth while at least part-time, which is the extent of its operation so far with Dan Coughlin and a part-time voluntary counsellor.

We hope that this branch will become consolidated as the year progresses.

	NO. OF CASES	CLIENTS IN GROUP	NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS
Perth	634	139	1615
M/durah	142		440

# Family and Child Welfare

The ever-increasing and constantly changing psychological and social needs of families and individuals has continued to direct and stimulate the work carried out by the Bureau during the past 12 months.

Accordingly, the past year has been particularly characterised by on-going review and planning for the development of the Bureau's services. As a result of this process some significant developments have been realised towards the end of the year.

Of major importance has been the appointment of a part-time Clinical Psychologist to the Bureau's staff on a 12 month pilot programme basis.

Ms Margaret van Keppel took up this position in January, 1985. The creation of this position together with Margaret's immense clinical counselling skills has greatly enhanced and broadened our range of counselling services being offered to families and individuals.

We extend our very sincere thanks to the Hughes Trust who made the establishment of this position possible. It is our hope that this position will be made full-time and permanent in the near future.

The decision to cease our time-consuming participation in Federal Government's programme of emergency relief has allowed us to respond far more effectively to those in the community who are homeless or marginally housed. Specifically we have embarked on the consolidation and expansion of the range of services being provided to families housed in the Emergency Housing Scheme. Mr. Doug Robertson has worked enthusiastically and tirelessly at developing support and providing direct assistance to families housed in the Scheme.

Mr. Geoff Hall continues to carry out his duties as part-time Maintenance Officer with great dedication.

Special thanks are extended to Professor Bill Mangini for providing his educational and workshop facilities at Gidgegannup for use by families housed in the Scheme and those individuals and families who attend the Service.

In early 1985 Ms. Patricia O'Reilly signed from the position of Co-ordinator of the Bureau. We extend our thanks to her for her enthusiastic leadership. Mr. Chris Hall has been acting Co-Ordinator since this time.

Ms. Jennifer Orsi was appointed as a full-time Social Worker in May. Her creative approach to counselling has greatly broadened the options for change being offered to individuals and in particular families.

Sister Loreto Gray R.G.S. continues to provide invaluable support services in the areas of in-home support and material relief to families and children.

Two U.W.A, Social Work students completed their final practicums with the Bureau. We view their contributions together with those of volunteers as essential to the continuing work of the Service and extend our gratitude to them for their efforts.

## FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The next 12 months offer tremendous encouragement for the further expansion of the Housing Scheme due to the State and Federal Governments proposed joint funding programmes for welfare accommodation ser-

vices. Submissions for further funding to these bodies have been made with the plan to increasing staff, consolidating and improving the support programmes and scheme in general.

The Service remains committed to providing a broad but realistic range of welfare and counselling services to families and individuals. We continue to offer a service to children with behavioural and emotional difficulties by providing assistance in the context of family counselling. The

increasing number of second marriages and the consequent changes in family relationships and functions provide new challenges to our counselling services. The broader social issues affecting our limited welfare services also confront the quality of our financial counselling and housing programmes.

There will always be need for continued evaluation and growth in the quality of our services. The future looks exciting, the past 12 months have been encouraging.

## Youthcare

A number of significant happenings have occurred during the past year. These include:

1. The opening of Bailly House in Scarborough, a project providing accommodation to homeless young people managed and resourced by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and supported by Youthcare.
2. The opening of the Youth Legal Service on 27th May, 1985 was the culmination of a lot of hard work and research undertaken over a period of 18 months. The service is aimed primarily at providing disadvantaged young people with access to legal advice and representation free of charge. The service is jointly sponsored by Anglicare, the Good Shepherd Sisters and Youthcare.
3. A rationalisation of our funding from government sources which is now provided under one programme - The Supported Accommodation Assistance Programme. This has led to our ability to implement a decision to pay award wages to our staff.

4. During the year the Youthcare Board of Management sought to come under the "umbrella" of the Catholic Social Welfare Commission. After much negotiation this was achieved in April 1985.

The past year has seen a number of notable staff changes. Jo Vitale, who was employed initially as a residential youthworker and later as the Day Centre worker, left Youthcare to take up a position with Anglicare. Sheryl Carmody left Youthcare during November to spend a year in study in N.S.W. Sheryl, with her many talents and deep commitment, will be missed not only within Youthcare but by the welfare field in Perth. Sheryl has been replaced as co-ordinator by David Indermaur.

A number of residential youthworkers have also moved on. Those to leave include Jason Ware, Michael Potts, (who has joined the Northern Territory Police Force) Gail Endersby who has gone back to study and Carmelina Fazioli, who took up a teaching position at the beginning of 1985 after completing her Diploma of Teaching.

**Current Staffing of Youthcare.**

**Residential Youthworkers**

Dorothy Horne

Greg Woodhouse.

**Social Worker**

Barry Chatel

**Secretary**

Estella Jarman

**Co-ordinator**

David Indermaur.

Our first full year at 166 Aberdeen Street has seen a large increase in our workload, both in the form of referrals and in young people who use the office as a place to drop in for a cup of coffee, game of pool or just a chat.

The following statistics are from the period July 1984 to June 1985.

**REQUEST FOR:**

Youthcare accommodation*	243
Assistance with other accommodation/housing.	85
Emergency Relief/Bond money	40
Counselling and Support	20
Information	<u>14</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>402</b>

\*Number accommodated in Youthcare houses

104

## **Pregnancy Help**

Pregnancy Help has experienced a busy year with its move to very suitable premises in Druids House, 459 Hay Street, an extension of voluntary staff and a change in secretarial staff, plus a work load which included many clients with problems increasingly compounded by unemployment/marriage breakdown.

We moved on 1st March, 1985 and our new home not only includes air conditioning, but also a Commander Telephone System which has greatly improved efficiency. Purchase of this system was made possible by a donation from the Knights of the Southern Cross.

**FINANCIAL:** This always worrying area was somewhat relieved by a Treasury grant of \$10,000 and donations from all sources amounting to \$15,388.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Elizabeth House is still alive and well, functioning after the vicissitudes of a year which saw volunteers giving valuable help after the resignation due to ill health of Mrs. West. The house was briefly closed, but re-opened with post teenage pregnant girls in residence. During the year twelve pregnant girls and six young mothers and babies have been accommodated.

Young single mothers and babies are also accommodated in two houses, which have been rented with the aid of a special Government grant. It will be possible to extend our housing programme during the coming year as our application for funding for a full-time accommodation worker has been approved and funds made available for renting a third house.

**VOLUNTEERS:** This dedicated band of ladies greatly increases the efficiency of Pregnancy Help, manning the after hours telephone service, assisting in the office, visiting clients both at home and in hospital, talking to community groups, etc.

A special education committee which presents a programme to groups of High School students with the aim of encouraging a positive and responsible attitude towards sex and respect for life in line with the teachings of the Church consists entirely of volunteers. During the year schools have been visited and students addressed. More volunteers are currently being trained for this most worthwhile work.

Two volunteers have also visited Geraldton where they gave valuable help in a training seminar for local volunteers to that branch. There was a wonderful response to our Appeal in Parish bulletins, and one of our more experienced counsellors is conducting a training programme for these in-coming volunteers.

**REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES:** Pregnancy Help is represented on the W.A. Committee on Adoption and Alternative Families, a committee which serves not only as a lobby group, but also in an advisory capacity to the Government. The Co-ordinator has also been appointed to the Advisory and Co-ordination Committee on Child Abuse.

**SUPPORT GROUPS:** The Wednesday group for single pregnant girls and young mothers went into brief recess following our move to Druids House, but is again on-going under the leadership of a trained nurse.

An ante-natal adoption group was held for young mothers-to-be who were considering this alternative, and a post adoption group is also being conducted for young mothers who have relinquished their

babies. We believe this to be a 'first' in W.A. and our clients report that the group has been invaluable in helping them to cope with their feelings of grief and loss.

**WORK WITH CLIENTS:** Again there was a drop in the number of pregnancy tests. We now carry out less than half the number of tests done two years ago. Clients tend to seek blood tests for earlier identification of pregnancy, but more publicity for free tests would possibly result in an expansion of this service to prospective clients.

**PUBLICITY:** It is of great concern to us that in W.A. most abortions are performed with inadequate or no counselling, before or after the abortion, without offering alternatives and positive assistance to continue with the pregnancy. We feel that the time has come for Pregnancy Help to embark on a publicity campaign to make our services widely known in the community. Undoubtedly this will result in a greater influx of clients, but with many more trained counsellors we feel confident that we can cope with this.

**SPECIAL PROJECTS:** We received a Voluntary Adult Education Grant Scheme grant for the purpose of group work with clients, and another grant from the Education Department enabled us to conduct a study of the educational needs of pregnant school girls and young single mothers under the Participation and Equity Programme.

#### STATISTICS:

Continuing clients 1983/84  
107

1984/85	
New clients	965
Phone interviews	3227
Office interviews	526
Home visits	232
Hospital visits	81
Transport provided	11
Group sessions	33
Material assistance	95
Financial assistance	1
Pregnancy tests	
Positive	29
Negative	83 112

# Emmanuel Centre

The year ended June 30, 1985 has been mostly a year of intensification of existing programmes and services. Emmanuel provides counselling, advocacy, social, welfare, resources and accommodation.

The activities of the Centre have increased 3 fold in almost all areas. A look at the statistics will demonstrate this.

	1983/84	1984/1985
TELEPHONE CALLS	3000	5250
INTERVIEWS COUNSELLING ETC.	377	916
ASSISTANCE WITH AIDS, PENSIONS AND BENEFITS	65	192

## PROGRAMMES

This year we again provided opportunities for volunteers to perfect their skills in a variety of activities, some work related and others in the recreational or leisure field.

Speech therapy, music, drama, and art classes were held regularly once a week wherein volunteers were both the participants and the teachers.

Through the courtesy of the Academy of Computer Education, classes in both computer appreciation and computer programming were held at the Academy and the lessons were reinforced with the aid of Emmanuel's 6 computers.

The year also saw the introduction of a votrax machine which enables a blind operator to learn how to use the computer for both word processing and for payroll accounts. The votrax allows the blind operator to hear both the instructions from the computer and also the data that the operator puts into the computer. This is a big breakthrough for Emmanuel and will increase the employability of its blind volunteers. The computers are also used to teach touch typing.

The initial course on human development begun last year has been continued each week with an on going course on the process of decision making - making the right choices. Through the use of audio/visual equipment, role playing and lecture, participants are being led to see how they are able to make choices in their lives and how to become more responsible for their choices.

Several volunteers are on programmes of money management. Through the use of a special computer programme these volunteers are able to see a graphic representation of how they are managing their finances. This programme is supervised by one of the volunteers who is gradually training the participants to operate their own financial programmes.

Instruction and practical application is given in wood work. All aspects of the process of changing a raw piece of wood to a finished product are investigated.

Through the commonwealth employment programme a grant has been received to begin a furniture renovation and garden project.

This project began in February of 1985 and through the expert instruction of Arthur McNally, many pieces of old furniture have been refurbished to look like new.

A herb garden has been established and instructions for the use of herbs will begin in 1986.

Emmanuel's V I P (Visually Impaired People) group has continued to function in spite of its lack of a chaplain. The group meets faithfully at Emmanuel on the third Monday of each month and after sharing a 'cuppa' and a biscuit get down to the business of the day.

Herman Dorlandt has donated to Emmanuel the complete New Testament in Braille and these are available for borrowing from the Emmanuel Library. Our thanks to Herman for his most generous gift.

Sr Monica Madison, O.L.M. has been appointed by Archbishop Foley to take up the position of religious assistant to the group.

#### SHARED HOUSING PROJECT

Emmanuel operates three shared houses. Two of the houses are adjacent to the Centre and a third is located in a Northern Suburb. These houses are for those people with disabilities who do not yet have the skills to live on their own. These houses, as well, provide short term respite care.

Through a very generous donation this year, each of the houses is equipped with a solar hot water system.

This year alone, 19 people have shifted from the protective environment of an Emmanuel shared house to independent living. Ongoing support is provided when a person moves into their own accommodation.

A tremendous debt of gratitude is owed to the house leaders all of whom donate their time and their persons to the task of assisting others to independence.

Even the most loving person in the world needs some relief from the day in day out caring of someone at home. Emmanuel Centre strives to arrange for someone to come into the home on a regular basis and allow the carer the chance to do some shopping, visit the doctor or perhaps just enjoy some leisure. Emmanuel is grateful for the number of people who give of their time in this service.

A need for permanent accommodation within a Christian environment has been identified. Twenty six people volunteered to sit on a steering committee looking to establish a L'Arche style of community in W.A.

Emmanuelle Wacrenier, the Australian Co-Ordinator/Director of L'Arche will be visiting Perth later this year. Emmanuelle has spent over 15 years in L'Arche Communities in France, sometimes with Jean Vanier at Trosly.

#### RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOVERNMENT

Emmanuel is also represented on the Technical and Further Education (TAFE) Committee advising on further education for people with disabilities.

A volunteer at Emmanuel also sits on the State Government appointed Equal Opportunity Working Party which is preparing a report for legislation regarding equal opportunities for people with disabilities.

Assistance to Government Departments by Emmanuel has this year included participation and vice-chair position by the Co-Ordinator of Emmanuel.

In 1984/85 budget announced in 1984, the Commonwealth Government announced its intention to reduce the emphasis on institutional care in favour of home and community care programmes, to keep elderly disabled people from institutions and younger disabled people from premature institutionalisation.

It has taken 14 months for an agreement to be signed between the State Health Minister and the Federal Department of Community Services. The programme will include:

- Home Help or Personal Care
- Home Maintenance

- Food provision (e.g. Delivered meals)
- Respite Care (in the home)
- Day Care
- Transport
- Home Nursing
- Paramedical Services
- Education, Training and Information for service providers and or users.

Emmanuel's information service has been used extensively by both Federal and State Government as well as non-government organisations. Emmanuel has also produced information in preparation for Federal and State Budget allocations to people with disabilities.

Sincere thanks must go to the many volunteers of the Centre who have contributed to the ongoing expansion of the work.

## **Catholic Migrant Centre**

### **LOOKING BACK:**

The past year has been one of many changes, due primarily to change in staff. Gerald Searle took over from Guido Vogels as Co-Ordinator, Carlos Soto from Cheryl Mavor as Community Worker and Marion Foong from Sylvia Pinto as Secretary. As Carlos changed positions his old position as Social Worker was filled by Rosalina Sando.

While we settled into our new jobs, we set about realizing the following plans:

a) Enhancing staff skills in the area of cross-cultural counselling. Our skills as counsellors have to be adapted to meet our multicultural service.

While we believe in providing for the immediate welfare needs of migrants and refugees, we also believe the deeper needs

of dealing with culture shock, separation from ones homeland and loved ones, isolation and a lot of personal, marriage, family and cultural problems have to be addressed.

b) Personal Development Groups. We also believe that while we address the above problems we have to work at preventing them. For that reason we have made a start in this area. Our first "Migrant Women Personal Growth Group" proved a great success.

c) Enhancement of "Drop-in Facilities" We wish to create a "home away from home" atmosphere for our clientele. So we converted a "junk" room into a "Cosy Corner", appropriately furnished and equipped with audio and video equipment that is being put to use for both educational and recreational purposes.

d) Upgrading Carlos' position from Community Worker to Community Development Co-Ordinator which is more appropriate for the role we envisage for him.

#### THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS:

A special thanks has to be given to our volunteers, Sr. Patricia Byrne, Ray Hennessy, Gil Baggen, Sylvia Maxwell, Ingrid Buschmann, Tony Snyman, Maria Jarlowski, Mr. Vincent Tin and Vesna Radich for their invaluable contribution without which we would not be able to provide the services that we do. Our thanks also to our Migrant Chaplains, Mgr. Keating, Rev. Fr. Fernandes, Rev. Fr. Cabraja, Rev. Fr. Nanni, Rev. Fr. Smok and Rev. Fr. Nahhas for looking after the spiritual welfare of migrants.

#### SERVICES: 1. Casework/Counselling:

Besides the formal casework and counselling many of our clients are helped to overcome their problems through informal chats over a cuppa with staff.

#### 2. GROUP WORK:

Arts and Crafts groups, social groups, basic English and conversational English, play groups and personal development groups are being offered.

New Clients	737
On-going Clients	583

TOTAL 1,320

Office Interviews	1,355
Phone Interviews	624
Home Visits	691
Outside Interviews	21

TOTAL NUMBER OF INTERVIEWS 2,691

#### GROUPS:

Total enrolment	191
Total number of sessions	80

#### 3. COMMUNITY WORK:

The following are some of our Community projects:-

#### HAY STREET CRECHE:

This Creche cares for children of parents attending English classes.

Emphasis is placed on educational input and preparing children for the Australian school system.

#### CRECHE ATTENDANCES:

Hay St.	Average Daily	16.5
Highgate	" "	6
Catholic		
Migrant Centre	" "	3

#### CONNOLLY STREET WOMENS REFUGE:

This service has been successful in providing a "breathing space" for migrants who are in need.

We provide the back-up support to help those housed to deal with both practical and emotional problems.

#### CONNOLLY STREET WOMEN'S REFUGEE

Number of women housed	16
Number of children	8

#### C.R.S.S. (Community Refuge Settlement Scheme):

We continue to sponsor those refugees from the camps who have no one else to sponsor them. We meet them at the airport (usually about 3.00 a.m.) and assist them to settle in Australia.

#### DROP-IN FACILITIES:

We encourage migrants to use our Centre to drop-in for a cuppa and a chat, use the cosy corner, typewriters, sewing machines, seek advice, etc.

#### OUTINGS:

A few successful outings were arranged to Kings Park, Hyde Park, and Mandurah.

# Natural Family Planning

In the year ending 30th June 1985 a total of 1,974 clients received instruction in Natural Family Planning and a total of 4,605 received information about our service through lectures in schools, hospitals, ladies groups and pre-marriage courses etc.

In February Mrs. Maureen Chamberlain retired after 15 years of service. We acknowledge gratefully her dedicated work in the field of Natural Family Planning. The present Co-ordinator has worked with Maureen for many years.

This year the Federal Government increased our grant, as they recognize that Natural Family Planning isn't a method used only by Catholics. Non-Catholics are using Natural Family Planning for various reasons. The primary reason is unsatisfactory experiences with artificial methods, and a quest for a healthy, drug free, device free, reliable method of family planning.

We also help sub-fertile couples to pinpoint their fertile phase so they can hopefully achieve a pregnancy.

Our referrals come from friends, doctors, hospitals, Family Planning Association and church organizations.

At the present time our staff consists of one paid teacher, and six volunteer teachers.

#### SOURCES OF FUNDING:

Federal Government Grant	\$13,770
Church Grant	4,000
Catholic Charities	5,000
Client Fees	2,500
	\$25,270

ANN O'DONNELL - CO-ORDINATOR.

# Sources of Funding

	DIOCESAN GRANTS	CATHOLIC CHARITIES	DONATIONS FUND RAISING FEES, ETC.	STATE GOVERNMENT	COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT	TOTALS
FAMILY WELFARE	\$ 148,664	-	\$24,090	\$10,000	-	\$182,754
IMMIGRATION	\$ 35,650	\$ 8,000	\$ 6,624 \$ 3,000 (4)	-	\$ 34,491 (3) \$ 31,311 (5)	\$119,076
HOST FAMILY	-	-	\$ 442	-	\$ 18,227 (5)	\$ 18,669
EMERGENCY HOUSING	-	-	\$10,480	-	\$ 29,120 (6)	\$ 39,600
MARRIAGE GUIDANCE	\$ 43,800	-	\$ 9,469	-	\$ 8,266 (3) \$ 39,000	\$100,535
MARRIAGE PREPARATION	-	-	\$ 6,804	-	\$ 5,700	\$ 12,504
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING	\$ 12,578	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,266	-	\$ 10,670	\$ 29,514
PREGNANCY HELP	\$ 10,000(1) \$ 18,250	\$14,500	\$ 3,500 (2) \$24,756	\$14,026	-	\$ 85,032
YOUTH CARE	\$ 28,491	-	\$17,501	-	\$ 45,524 (7) \$ 27,184 (8)	\$118,701
EMMANUEL CENTRE	\$ 15,110	\$10,000	\$36,423	-	\$ 16,977 (3)	\$ 78,510
C.Y.S.S.	-	-	\$ 2,550 (11)	\$ 2,500 (10)	\$ 1,290 (9) \$ 88,002	\$ 94,342
	\$312,543	\$34,500	\$149,905	\$26,526	\$355,763	\$879,237

- (1) Grant from R.C. Archbishop of Perth
- (2) Catholic Social Welfare Commission
- (3) Community Employment Program
- (4) Grant from Federal Catholic Immigration Department of Immigration and Ethnic Affairs
- (5) Perth City Council
- (6) Managed by State Departments (C.W.D. & S.H.C.)
- (7) Youth Services Scheme (Commonwealth/State)
- (8) Homeless Persons Assistance Program
- (9) Community Employment Initiative Unit
- (10) W.A. Post Secondary Education Literacy
- (11) Perth City Council





