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Media Release

Funds for Youth Anger Management Program

Centrecare Marriage and Family Services will be able to develop and implement a program for the increasing number of young people needing counselling for anger management, thanks to \$15,000 raised through Bishop's Gerard's Annual Christmas Appeal for CatholicCare.

Announcing the program funding, the Financial Administrator of the Catholic Diocese of Bunbury Mr John Ogilvie said the funds will enable the program to help adolescents to manage their emotions in a healthy way.

"The recent recording and posting on the internet of youth fighting provides evidence of young people not being able to deal with anger" Mr Ogilvie said.

"The generosity of parishioners throughout the South West, Great Southern, South Coastal and South East Coastal regions will make it possible for Centrecare to support those working with adolescents to implement and facilitate the program" he said.

CatholicCare is the charitable arm of the Catholic Diocese of Bunbury and was established in 2003 to provide for Church assistance for social needs throughout the Bunbury Diocese.

Accepting the donation Centrecare South West Manager Mrs Melissa Perry said she was very appreciative of CatholicCare raising funds to develop and implement this important service.

"Centrecare provides invaluable services to support families and marriages" Mrs Melissa Perry said.

"The support from CatholicCare will help reconcile, bring peace, and rebuild relationships within the families of those affected by adolescent anger" she said.

To seek help from Centrecare for troubled young people please call 9721 9256.

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Encl; Mr John Ogilvie, Financial Administrator for the Catholic Diocese of Bunbury presents a cheque for \$15,000 to Mrs Melissa Perry Manager for Centrecare South West.

For further information please contact Mrs Melissa Perry, Centrecare on 08 9721 5177 or Mr John Ogilvie, Catholic Diocese of Bunbury on 08 9721 0500.