

A new activity for **children** (aged 0-12) and their **fathers** (or father figures) is currently under development!

Uniting Communities are presently seeking expressions of interest from three host agencies/services/schools who would like to partner in delivering this program across the Communities for Children Onkaparinga Site.

Read on for more information!





"chill dads & kids" is Communities for Children activity funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services

Caught your interest? Well here's the low down on what we are offering and what we'd be looking for from you!

## What the "chill dads & kids" program will contribute...

- Activity-based program for fathers (or father figures) and their children (aged 0-12), primarily targeted at vulnerable families.
- Weekly 2 hour sessions during term from week 2, during school hours, after school hours or on weekends, subject to mutually agreed availability. Total program delivery will be 18 hours per term, but delivery may be modified to include longer sessions (potentially to allow for off site excursions) or for running sessions during school holidays.
- Project leader to develop and deliver the program, including preparing marketing resources, consultation activities, launch sessions.
- Design and co-ordination of program activities by our project leader. This
  will be informed by the needs of the host site and by ongoing consultation
  with participants and target group.
- Costs associated with program delivery and activities.

## What the partner/host sites will contribute...

- In-kind provision of a suitable activity space. Space to have capacity to serve light refreshments. Accessible optional outdoor activity space would be preferred. Access to the space for at least 30 mins before and after each session will be required.
- Provision of a suitably qualified support person to actively participate in the delivery of the program. Support person will need to be available and engaged with the program for the full session.
- Identification of a reserve support person who can step in when the primary support person is unavailable.
- Promotion of the program to connected community members.
- Support consultation initiatives to inform program design, with collecting children's and father's voice.

The program will be underway from 4<sup>th</sup> term in 2017 and will continue to run until June 2018. To be considered, your service must be located in one of the suburbs of the Communities for Children Onkaparinga site\* listed below. The final three chosen locations will be geographically spread out. Locations with limited or no current programs for fathers & children will be preferred.

If you would like to explore this partnership opportunity further, please contact **Malcolm Dean** on **0437 232 124** or email <a href="malcolmd@unitingcommunities.org">malcolmd@unitingcommunities.org</a>

<sup>\*</sup>Eligible Suburbs: Aldinga, Aldinga Beach, Christie Downs, Christies Beach, Hackham, Hackham West, Huntfield Heights, Maslin Beach, Moana, Morphett Vale, Noarlunga Centre, Noarlunga Downs, O'Sullivan Beach, Onkaparinga Hills, Port Noarlunga, Port Noarlunga South, Port Willunga, Seaford, Seaford Heights, Seaford Meadows, Seaford Rise, Sellicks Beach.