



Essentials 4 Women SA (E4WSA) were the successful grant recipients of a \$3000 StreetSmart grant to buy an extra 30 drop-off bins, purchase shelving and bags for 4000 Period Packs.

As a small, grassroots charity, we rely almost solely on the generosity of the South Australian community to donate products to us, which we quickly get to local women in need.

The most sought after items we provide to homeless and women at-risk of homelessness are sanitary items, toiletries and underwear.

The new drop-off bins enabled us to have almost double the locations that members of the public could donate to. Thus, we could expand in to regional areas of South Australia too, where all donations received stay in that area.

Our storage unit has been getting a real workout lately, in 18 months we have seen over 200,000 product donations filter through – new shelving has made a world of difference and streamlined a whole lot of processes for us.

More precious of all though are the E4WSA Period Packs we distribute. Rarely do people think about how women tend to the most basic needs on the street and while in transitional accommodation, there are a lot of makeshift items used for sanitary items, some are truly hard to imagine.

We are proud to be able to alleviate one aspect of a disadvantaged woman's life, but one that restores so much dignity to an already vulnerable person.

Having support from StreetSmart to help us help local women and girls in need is truly special.

The pictures attached show one of our Board Directors at a Packing Day and Kelly & I giving out essential items at a stall for people in need.

A huge thanks to all the restaurants, their staff and customers who make these community grants possible. You are impacting many people's lives in a very positive way.

Amy Rust

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