



Media Release

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Vinnies Shop opens in Waymouth Street, Adelaide CBD

Tuesday April 4 will see the official opening of the newest shop for Vinnies in the heart of Adelaide's CBD at 108 Waymouth Street.

This new shop has increased the number of Vinnies shops state wide to 35 and stocks a wide range of items including quality clothing, homewares, bric-a-brac and books. It is a great place for people on low incomes, bargain hunters and savvy fashionistas alike to pick up great quality pre-loved items.

David Wark, CEO St Vincent de Paul Society SA said the purpose of the Vinnies Shops is multi-faceted.

"Our shops are a valuable resource for people on low incomes, providing them with quality clothing, homewares and furniture, often free of charge. Our shops also sell items to the general public and are a vital source of revenue with the profits being used to fund our services," said Mr Wark."

The opening of this new shop is a wonderful addition to the vibrant city community and the surrounding area. Whilst we have volunteers working to give a hand up to those seeking assistance from us, this new shop is another way we are able to support the community."

The opening of the CBD Vinnies shop also marks an important first by working with UNO Apartments. The building is the first of its kind, a mixed-use development with fully integrated social and private housing bringing together a diverse mix of people into a community.

"We are very proud that our newest Vinnies shop is based on the ground floor of the Uno building and we have residents from the apartments volunteering at the shop," said Mr Wark.

"We believe this partnership is a wonderful example of how community organisations and State Government can work together to help rebuild the lives of some of the most vulnerable people in our community," said Mr Wark.

Vinnies Waymouth Street is open 9:30am – 5:00pm Monday to Friday.

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Photography Opportunities:

Tuesday 4 April 10:00am formal opening and blessing will take place at 108 Waymouth Street, Adelaide with David Wark, CEO St Vincent de Paul Society SA, Brian Spencer, State President, St Vincent de Paul Society SA and Rev Fr Charles Gauci, Administrator of Adelaide Cathedral Parish present.

Notes for the Editor

- The Vinnies Waymouth Street shop is open Monday to Friday 9.30am – 5.00pm.
 - Since 1884, Vinnies has been integral in the local communities throughout the state providing a hand up to those we are committed to serve. Our services continue to evolve as we uphold the core activity of home visitation, providing whatever is required to assist people keep their families together, their lives together and maintain a sense of dignity during their difficult times.
 - Each year the Society helps in excess of 100,000 South Australians by providing accommodation services, assistance to migrants and refugees, supplying food, clothing and furniture, budget counselling, youth programs and Fred's Van meals.
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