



Letter to the editor

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Vinnies Corporate and Community Sleepout Sunshine Coast 2018

The latest Australian Bureau of Statistics Census data (2016) on homelessness paints an alarming picture with over 116,000 people considered homeless, 900 of those are here on the Sunshine Coast and Noosa.

The data makes it clear homelessness is a growing problem.

Families and individuals are sleeping in cars, couch surfing with friends, in severely crowded dwellings and sleeping rough in parks and on beaches.

More and more people at risk of or experiencing homelessness on the Sunshine Coast are turning to Vinnies for help and support.

Vinnies Corporate and Community Sleepout Sunshine Coast 2018 is an opportunity for local business people and members of the community to help Vinnies assist more people experiencing or at risk of homelessness in our community.

Our goal is to raise \$150,000 with all funds raised going towards homeless services in the Sunshine Coast region, but we need your help.

For just one night you can help Vinnies make a difference and raise funds and awareness to help give more people in our community a safe place to call home.

Please join us at Maroochy Surf Club on 23 August by registering to sleep out at communitysleepout.org.au

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ENDS.

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