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Inala Vinnies Volunteers among 10,000 state-wide, celebrated for ‘making a world of difference’

Almost 10,000 passionate volunteers are the backbone of Vinnies’ ability to help hundreds of thousands of Queenslanders each year and their dedication is being celebrated this year during National Volunteer Week (20-26 May).

Volunteers at the charity work in their 150 retail shops, their warehouses, support centres providing emergency assistance, housing and food support, and in education and housing programs among many others, giving a hand up to people in need.

Vinnies Inala Family Support Centre volunteer Glenda Ashurst said she finds her time volunteering to be a highly rewarding experience.

“It’s a great place to work with great people to work with, and you’re helping people in need, I look forward to going every week,” she said.

Fellow Inala Volunteer Monica Tupicoff urged others to consider giving back to their community through volunteering.

“I encourage others to volunteer at Vinnies because they can assist people who are down on their luck, and every day is interesting,” she said.

Vinnies which has already provided assistance to more than 2,914 people in Inala so far this year, is honouring its volunteers with a thank you campaign on social media during National Volunteer Week.

Vinnies, which celebrates 125 years of helping Queenslanders in 2019, is always on the lookout for more volunteers in its shops and programs and interested people can go to <http://qld.vinnies.org.au/join-us> for more information.

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