

# NEIGHBOUR DAY 2019

## What is Neighbour Day?

Neighbour Day is Australia's annual celebration of community, bringing together the people next door, across the street or in your neighbourhood or City. Neighbour Day falls on the last Sunday in March each year and in 2019 this will happen on 31<sup>st</sup> of March

## Five Principal Aims

1. Strengthen communities and build better relationships with the people who live around us
2. Create safer, healthier and more vibrant suburbs and towns
3. Promote tolerance, respect and understanding
4. Break down community barriers
5. Protect the elderly, the vulnerable and the disadvantaged

## How to Celebrate Your Community

It's easy to participate in Neighbour Day 2019 because how you celebrate is entirely up to you. Whether it's a simple cup of tea and a slice of cake with an older neighbour, a street party, a group dog-walking session in Victoria Park, a bike ride around the Park Lands trail or a shared picnic in Whitmore Square. It's completely up to you!

## Tips and hints

- Keep the event short (1-2 hours) for busy people
- Keep the event simple and "fuss-free" to make it easier for you as a host on the day
- Public spaces such as local parks and squares work well as they are highly visible and possibly attract more people to come along
- Personal invitations (hand delivering, door knocking) works well
- BYO is a great principle as it allows others to contribute to the day

## What can the City of Adelaide do to help you?

Council can provide you with the support that you need to fulfil your 2019 Neighbour Day ambition.

This support will include:

- Insurance (if required)
- Designed templates for you to easily create posters and invitations (or you can design your own of course)
- Printing your posters and invitations
- Event support and advice, including completion of booking forms and, based on available budget and demand, may include equipment, catering, road closure and basic infrastructure needs such as tables and shelters

Council has supported City residents to host a variety of Neighbour Day events and activities across the City and North Adelaide over the past 5 years including movie nights, morning teas, quiz night, garden parties, BBQs, street and laneway parties and many other get-togethers!

## What do you need to do?

1. Come up with an idea for how you would like to celebrate Neighbour Day and talk to some of the people you want to involve
2. Register your event ideas and requirements with Laura Perdue at the City of Adelaide (8203 7142) or email [l.perdue@cityofadelaide.com.au](mailto:l.perdue@cityofadelaide.com.au) by Friday 1 March 2019
3. Think about ways you could include people in your area that you may not already know
4. Promote and organise your event
5. Host the event on Sunday **31 March 2019**
6. Discuss ideas at the event to maintain and continue to build on the connections made on the day

**Remember - the community you want starts at your front door!**