



CASE STUDY:

Community Safety Day

ACCESS promotes programs that focus on social networks and community participation.

On Saturday 17 November 2018

ACCESS' Community Education team organised a Community Safety day for clients. The purpose of the day was to equip the community with some essential knowledge around disaster management and emergency situations such as fires, medical emergencies, dangerous Australian wildlife and water safety. When coming into storm season it is essential that clients are aware of what to do in case of natural disasters.

The event included:

- ECCQ's presentation on water safety, including do's and don'ts during floods i.e. not swimming in waterways, not driving through flooded streets etc.;
- Deadly Australians (Mark)'s presentation on venomous animals and what to do if you get bitten by a snake (he had a few snakes as part of the presentation which both adults and children were interested and keen to learn more about);
- A fire truck and ambulance for children to explore. Firemen and paramedics showed children the vehicles, and explained how they worked. Children were given an opportunity to try the fire hose as well as take turns in laying in the ambulance's stretcher;
- Kid's Zone with colouring books (supplied by Red Cross), badge making (provided by Multilink) and other kids' friendly activities.
- Stalls with several organisations providing information to clients, including QLD Fire and Emergency Services, Logan City Council, QLD Ambulance, QLD SES, QLD Transcultural Mental Health, ECCQ, and Lifeline;
- Free sausage sizzles (meat and veggie), Syrian BBQ, water bottles.

AT A GLANCE



Target Participants

All members of the community



Aim

To equip the community with some essential knowledge around disaster management and emergency situations.



Organisations Involved

ACCESS Community Services Ltd, Logan City Council, ECCQ, Multilink Community Services, Deadly Australians



Location

Access Gateway, Logan, QLD



Funding

The event was funded through multiple sources.

Access Community Services Limited is a not-for-profit, community based organisation. It is one of Australia's leaders in multicultural issues, with over 30 years of experience in the provision of settlement, employment, training, youth support services, housing and social enterprise opportunities for migrants, refugees and Australian born clients. Services are delivered right across Queensland with a particular focus on the South East, including Logan City, Ipswich City and the Gold Coast.

For More Information:

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