

Compassionate Villages

Re-establishing the sense of 'village' in community



Be part of a caring community where no one has to face tough times alone.

Compassionate Villages unite local businesses, community groups, and everyday people who want to make a difference. Together, we strengthen connections, share support, and create a sense of belonging—looking out for one another, reducing distress, and building a more compassionate community.

Our goal is simple: a village where support is shared and no one faces distress alone.

Compassionate Villages is an extension of the Brisbane North Safe Spaces program, funded by the Brisbane North Primary Health Network.



What is a compassionate village

A Compassionate Village is a cluster of interconnected places that share a vision to rebuild the sense of "village" in their community.

Through connection, collaboration, and shared learning, the village collectively reduces the causes of distress and supports healthier, safer communities.



Connect

Join regular gatherings where members learn who's who and what's happening locally.



Continually learn

Attend events like workshops, training, and round-table discussions to build ongoing relationships and build skills to recognise, respond to, and reduce distress.



Collaborate

Strengthen community wellbeing by sharing resources and developing initiatives that address local priorities.

There are already four Compassionate Villages established:

Inner-Northwest and Central Brisbane:

Bardon, Paddington, Kelvin Grove, Red Hill, Rosalie, Milton, Toowong, Fortitude Valley, CBD, Ashgrove, Spring Hill, Herston

Caboolture and Morayfield:

All areas

Peninsula:

Redcliffe, Kippa-Ring, Margate, Scarborough, Woody Point, Clontarf, Newport

Pine Rivers:

Strathpine, Bray Park, Brendale, Lawnton, Petrie, Bald Hills

Who can join?

Anyone can join their local Compassionate Village, at no cost.

To join, get in touch via our website and a Compassionate Village Coordinator will connect you with your local village.

Here are some places that are already part of a local village:

- Libraries
- Neighbourhood centres
- Cafes and salons
- Community services
- Local MP / council offices
- Public pools
- Banks
- Op shops
- Not-for-profits
- Retail stores
- Churches
- Medical centres



Calling local businesses

We're always looking for businesses, community groups, and organisations who want to be part of the Compassionate Village in their area.

Join your local Compassionate Village - 1800 448 448 | contactus@wmq.org.au

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