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THE Southern Cross University will tomorrow stage its final seminar to address homelessness in the southern Gold Coast and Tweed.

The university has been working with charities and government agencies in conducting a series of seminars to raise awareness and come up with practical initiatives to address the problem.

The first seminar in June was titled, Setting the Scene: Homelessness and Poverty, and initiated discussion about poverty and homelessness in the Gold Coast Tweed region.

The second was titled Workshop: Time for Action on Local Homelessness.

It will provide a plan to engage in creative opportunities to foster change.

The final seminar is called Actions to Outcomes: Influencing the policy agenda on homelessness.

SCU’s School of Arts and Social Studies senior lecturer Dr Lester Thompson said by bringing together key players, “we hope to map out a plan on the most effective measure which can be taken to help those living rough.”

“The seminars provide first-hand information from various agencies and charity groups such as St Vincent de Paul Have A Friend.”

The seminar will be at the Southern Cross University campus, Bilinga, room A220, from 4-7pm.

To register for free email communityseminars@scu.edu.au