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Program Preview

- Interview with Hillary Gallagher, Southern Cross University, Social Work, Social Welfare.
- Update about the fire incident on a boat.

Audience

4,000 ALL, 2,000 MALE 16+, 2,000 FEMALE 16+
Interview with Hillary Gallagher, Lecturer and Expert in Social Work and Social Welfare, Southern Cross University. Webber says that a community seminar is underway about how to get politicians to listen and act on homelessness on the Tweed and the Gold Coast. They talk about the percentage of homeless people on the Tweed in the Gold Coast compared to other areas in Australia. Gallagher says that in Tweed Heads, there's a higher number of homelessness in Kings Cross in Sydney. She says that it is a big issue. She also mentions the women experiencing domestic violence are also prone to homelessness. She explains other factors why the number of homeless people is growing in the North. They also discuss the problem on the funding for the services to help homeless people. Webber mentions that the annual community seminar is on its third year. Gallagher also talks about the themes they had in the previous seminars.

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Interviewees
Hillary Gallagher, Lecturer and Expert in Social Work and Social Welfare, Southern Cross University

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Interviewees
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Cross border talks are underway on how to help homeless people during the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast. Sydney was accused of forcing its homeless out of the city during the 2000 Olympic Games. The Commonwealth Legacy Group will meet with community organisations in October. Hilary Gallagher, Social Welfare lecturer, Southern Cross University, says it’s wonderful that the Gold Coast is being proactive getting north NSW and south-east Qld to work together.
interview with Hilary Gallagher, social welfare, Southern Cross University, about her study into homeless people and the impact of the Commonwealth Games. This follows past Olympic techniques to rid the streets of homeless people during the Games. Gallagher says that it is important to ask what will happen to homeless people before, during and after games. Shoebridge says there was a recent homelessness conference and Gallagher says that a solution that came out of that was a special projects committee set-up at Southern Cross to link all the organisations. Gallagher says that the Commonwealth Legacy Committee have said that they will speaking with Gold Coast Homelessness Network. Gallagher says that they want to avoid people being moved off the street. Gallagher says that if people get moved they lose the knowledge they possess of support works, food bank locations and places where a hot meal and a show are available.

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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