

About Us



Why are we here?

Cafe Outside the Square is a 100% not-for-profit community café and functions/meetings space, providing food, support, and training opportunities for marginalised groups, including those experiencing homelessness. All profits generated service our mission. Our core vision for our humble venue is to be a place that in some way provides hope, support, love and inspiration to our community.

How we help

In just visiting our venue for a coffee, or hosting your function, meeting, or event with us, you are doing your bit to help underprivileged people including those experiencing homelessness. 100% of our profits are poured directly back into our food support, and training programs.

Our model is a little different from most cafés, with our 100% 'not for profit' business model redefining "pay it forward", in order to support those less fortunate in our community. We operate a Soup Kitchen from the cafe which delivers tens of thousands of meals directly out to those in the community who are struggling for their next meal, and supply these meals to several fabulous charitable organisations, including Hutt St Centre, Baptist Care, Puddle Jumpers and the Salvos just to name a few, as well as Vinnies, whose Companions staying at their Crisis Accommodation hostel three doors down the road come to our Café each and every evening, to enjoy a meal provided by their team.

By having your event at our cafe you directly help us to provide people in need with meals, as well as support our work in providing them with hospitality training opportunities, with a view to helping people find employment, across all aspects of Hospitality (think customer service/barista/food handling and food prep/cash handling etc).



What we offer

Our cafe is open Thursday to Monday 8am to 3pm, and outside of these hours for functions and meetings by appointment. We offer a complete catering service (including liquor license) for both events held here or elsewhere. We can offer a range of lovely spaces hosting from 2 to 200 people. Including our Boardroom seating up to 10 people, our lovely light filled Atrium space seating up to 50+, or our entire venue (including the lovely Alfresco area looking out on the Square) where we can host up to 200 people in total. All functions are supported by all the necessary equipment, including TV/AV, a whiteboard, sound and printing facilities.



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