



MARSS Australia Inc Bulletin

MARSS (Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services) Australia Inc delivers settlement and related services within the ACT and surrounding regions. While COVID-19 has had a significant impact on many, MARSS continues to operate through our Civic office as normal, being open 9:00am to 5:00pm on weekdays.

MARSS programs and services are as follows:

Casework, advocacy and referral

For migrants, refugees, humanitarian entrants and asylum seekers, MARSS caseworkers can help through providing support for accommodation issues, homelessness assistance, accessing education, accessing Health services, dealing with government forms and processes, Centrelink or legal issues and any other concerns.

Emergency Relief Support (ERS)

With the impact of COVID-19, MARSS is providing emergency relief to Migrants, Refugees, Humanitarian entrants, Asylum Seekers or any other vulnerable community members. MARSS assists with food hampers, food vouchers, bus tickets, utility bills and any other material or financial aid. Caseworkers can also get you in contact with the right services to help with any other issue.

Community Programs

MARSS runs a range of engaging programs aimed at building the skills and confidence of participants. MARSS is currently transitioning these programs online and they will be available starting in coming months. The programs are English Classes, English for Employment, English for Work Entry, Foundation English for the Workplace, Road Ready, Sewing and Craft Classes, Healthy Eating and Living Program, Multicultural Leadership Development Program and Job Ready Program.

Youth Services

MARSS Youth Services are available to anyone from a migrant and refugee background aged 8-25. Youth can join the Program for After School Studies (PASS) for one on one help with schoolwork and university coursework. In June, MARSS will launch a new mentoring program where youth will be paired one on one to build their confidence, knowledge and ability to achieve their education, employment and social goals.

Contact

All programs and services are completely free. If you would like more information or would like to get in contact please call the MARSS office on 6248 8577 or email info@marss.org.au. For youth related matters please contact Richard on 0434 313 969 or email Richard.Bakkum@marss.org.au.

