We want to say thanks

National Volunteer Week CEO Message

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Happy National Volunteer Week!

To you and all of Uniting's more than 2,300 volunteers, thank you.

This year we celebrate National Volunteer Week in a unique way – one I imagine many of us haven't experienced before.

But at this different and challenging time, National Volunteer Week offers us a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate all your incredible effort supporting Uniting.

The theme of this year's National Volunteer Week is 'Changing Communities, Changing Lives'.

Never has there been a more appropriate theme for everyone who volunteers with our organisation. The support you provide truly makes a difference to the lives of thousands in communities across Victoria and Tasmania.

I know there are many reasons why each of you have chosen to volunteer. How ever you came to be with us, your effort, sacrifice and compassion ensure we are able to deliver more than 100 programs to people, families and communities in need.

Together we help people maintain their independence, ensure families have access to food parcels, provide foster care for children and support people with disabilities to access meaningful work. And these are just a few of the ways we support those living on the margins.

While we may need to change the way we deliver services over the coming months, the support Uniting offers communities is needed now more than ever.

I encourage you to stay in touch with your friends and colleagues at Uniting. Take the time to reach out within your community, to share your skills where you can or simply lend an ear to listen to those in need.

Thanks again for all your support over this past year and as we continue forward in 2020. I hope that National Volunteer Week provides a space to reflect and celebrate your efforts that make a difference for so many in our communities.

Your sincerely,

Bronwyn Pike

Chief Executive Officer





