

## Welcome to the WASH House

The aim of the W.A.S.H. House is to improve the quality of life of women in the Mt Druitt community by reducing the impact of poverty, social disadvantage and violence on their lives.

We do this through the provision of quality, appropriate, timely, culturally sensitive and accessible services that are responsive to the needs of local women.

The WASH House is registered as a Public Benevolent Institution and has Deductible Gift Recipient Status. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

### Hours of Operation

Monday&mdash;Friday

9.00am&mdash;4.00pm

### Vision

The W.A.S.H. House envisages a community in which women exercise equal rights, choose their own destiny and have a safe environment for themselves and their family.

We work towards realising this vision for the women of the Mt. Druitt community by providing information, community development, counselling, support services and group work. The W.A.S.H. House is a service run by women for women.

### Objectives

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To provide quality services that are regularly monitored and reviewed

- To advocate on behalf of clients and about issues affecting women in the Mt Druitt community
- To develop innovative projects that increase the options and opportunities of the Mt Druitt community
- To develop and maintain strong community links through establishing networks within the community
- To ensure the Centre is managed in the interests of women in the Mt Druitt community

### Values

The W.A.S.H. House believes in:

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The provision of high quality and timely services

- The provision of equitable, accessible, affordable and appropriate services
- Mutual respect and non-violence
- Enhancing women's options and opportunities
- Collaboration with other services to promote the well being of women in our community
- The provision of culturally appropriate services that reflect the different needs of our clients
- The provision of services that are responsive to the needs of clients
- The right of women to determine the involvement of male partners in family programs
- The right of women and their families to live in a safe environment free from/of violence and discrimination

The W.A.S.H. House acknowledges the Dharug people as the traditional owners of the land referred to as Mt. Druitt.

The WASH House gratefully acknowledges the support of Community Services; Ageing, Disability and Homecare; Housing NSW; Blacktown City Council; ClubGRANTS and Mt Druitt Family Violence Response and Support Strategy.