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## **YOUR CHANCE TO “COME TO THE RESCUE”**

Food Rescue, a service of UnitingCare West, is hosting their Foodies Fundraiser event at The Old Brewery in Crawley on Thursday 19 May with the aim of raising funds to help feed thousands of Perth people most in need.

The event will be a wonderful opportunity to sample fine wine, craft beer and food stations from organisations across Perth passionate about assisting Food Rescue, all while having fun and helping people most in need at the same time.

There will also be an auction and a silent auction, with major items including original artwork from local artist Tess McOnie.

Food Rescue aims to alleviate hunger by rescuing perishable, fresh and nutritious food from cafes, caterers, supermarkets and wholesalers and delivering it to disadvantaged, vulnerable people. It currently supplies over 70 charities in WA with enough fresh rescued food to feed 11,500 people every week.

The program assists a variety of people in need including people experiencing homelessness, women and children in crisis, vulnerable young people, indigenous communities, elderly people, refugees and new arrivals and families on low incomes.

UnitingCare West CEO Sue Ash AO says with the number of people in need in Perth increasing, the services of Food Rescue are needed now more than ever.

“Food Rescue relies on the support of public donations, corporate and philanthropic funding and the dedication of volunteers. Without the generous support of the Perth community, the service wouldn’t be able to continue to support thousands of people most in need. We encourage people to “come to the Rescue” and donate and contribute to a fantastic service,” Ms Ash said.

Tickets, which are \$45 each and include all food and drinks on the night, can be purchased at: <http://foodiesfundraiser.eventbrite.com.au/>

### **Event Details**

**Date:** Thursday 19 May 2016

**Time:** 5:30pm – 8:00pm

**Venue:** The Old Brewery, 173 Mounts Bay Rd, Crawley

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### **About UnitingCare West**

UnitingCare West touches the lives of over 30,000 individuals and families each year. With 300 staff members and over 300 volunteers, UnitingCare West is a community service agency that has a mission to support, serve and empower those most in need. UCW operates over 35 community service programs from 17 sites across Perth, reaching as far North as Merriwa and as far south as Great Southern, in the areas of community housing, accommodation, homelessness, family support, mental health and disability services. UnitingCare West's clients include those in the community experiencing financial hardship, domestic violence, child abuse trauma, mental health issues and disability to name a few.