

# Sisters doing it for others

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HAVING a big sister who will give you advice and watch out for you is often taken for granted, but Camperdown's Kate Boyle knows how important being a big sister can be.

Ms Boyle is a team leader for the Sisters Aiding Sister2Sister Initiative (SASSI), through the Life Changing Experiences Foundation.

The Sydney charity runs programs for teenage girls suffering from issues like abuse, neglect, loss, trauma, self-harm or drug addiction, who are carers or have parents in jail. It pairs volunteers with a "little sister" so they can help them build confidence.

The SASSI team is a group of corporate women who fundraise for the charity and who have managed to collect \$20,000 in six months.

"Corporate women have such wonderful resources at their disposal and to bring them together is a wonderful idea," Ms Boyle said.

Women who wish to volunteer as a big sister or donate can go to [www.lifechangingexperiences.org](http://www.lifechangingexperiences.org)



Kate Boyle is a team leader for the Life Experiences Foundation, a charity which runs a Sister2Sister program. Photo: SIMON CHILLINGWORTH

## Quicknews

### HELP PREVENT CHILD ABUSE

THE Child Abuse Prevention Service is running a training session to recruit volunteer phone support workers for its 24/7 counselling line. The service aims to support parents, alleviate family stress and prevent child abuse in all forms. To take part in the nine-week training program phone the crisis line on 1800 688 009.

### BLANKETS NEEDED

MISSIONBEAT, a service that helps the homeless, has run out of blankets for rough sleepers and people in need due to the unseasonably cool weather. If you are able to donate clean blankets phone 1300 306 461, or deliver them to Unit 2, 1 Brompton Street, Marrickville.

### RALLY BACK ON THE ROAD

THE postponed three-day Italian Connection Rally will lower the flag on Norton Street, Leichhardt, on May 23 as part of the Sydney Italian Festival. The procession of Italian cars has been timed to arrive in Melbourne for that city's Italian Festival at Lygon Street. This will be the first time Australia's two most famous Little Italy precincts will be linked.

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