

Mackay Women's Services Financial Membership Form 2021/2022

NEW / RENEWAL

I, _____ wish to apply to be a financial member of the

Please tick relevant membership type			
<input type="checkbox"/> Mackay Women's Centre	<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Resource Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Both	
Please tick relevant membership type			
<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinary Membership (Member of the public)		<input type="checkbox"/> Associate Membership (Representing an organisation)	
If you are an associate member, please provide organisation details.			
Organisation Name		Phone	
Personal Contact Details			
Name:			
Postal Address:			
Suburb:		Postcode:	
Email:		Phone:	
Newsletter (would you like a copy)	In Person	Email	Post

Do you identify as any of the following: Indigenous Australian CALD Women
Please indicate if you have any interests or skills that you would be willing to use for the benefit of the organisation: _____

I agree with and support the Mission and Philosophy of Mackay Women's Centre &/or Domestic Violence Resource Service.

Signature: **Date:**

We, the undersigned financial members, nominate for membership of Mackay Women's Centre &/or Domestic Violence Resource Service.

Nominator: **Signature:**

Secunder: **Signature:**

Ordinary member: \$11.00 Employed Ordinary membership fee (\$10 + \$1 GST); Ordinary Member: \$5.50 Unemployed Original membership fee (\$5 + \$0.50 GST) Associate member: \$11.00 for Associated membership fee (\$5 + \$0.50 GST)		Please return this form to: Mackay Women's Centre 418 Shakespeare Street, P O Box 444 Mackay QLD 4740	
Office use only:			
Membership receipt number	Amount Paid	Date of payment	Approved by Board
Entered into Financial Membership Register	__/__/__	Membership Number	
Membership application accepted at the Board meeting date	__/__/__		

Secretary Name and signature..... Date __/__/__

Mission of the Mackay Women's Centre

The **Mackay Women's Centre** is committed to providing an environment that supports and facilitates the empowerment of all women. The Mackay Women's Centre is dedicated to offering women centred services that draw on the strengths of feminist principles. In line with these values, where necessary the centre may challenge patriarchal attitudes perpetuated through societal institutions that enforce inequality of power.

The Mackay Women's Centre is dedicated to ensuring that women can access specialist skills and knowledge that are responsible to their needs.

The Mackay Women's Centre is dedicated to ensuring that the focus of the services provided out of the centre are women-centred and prioritise the safety of women and their children.

The Mackay Women's Centre is committed to maintaining the relationships and processes that ensure the long-term viability of the service by valuing and recognising difference and sharing a common understanding of the gender-related issues that are faced by all women in society.

Philosophy of the Mackay Women's Centre

The Mackay Women's Centre believes in:

- the right of women to make choices in their own lives;
- the right of women to dignity, respect, privacy and confidentiality;
- the right of women to be valued as individuals;
- the right of women to access services on a non-discriminatory basis;
- the right of the community to have accountable and responsive services.

The outcomes pursued by the Mackay Women's Centre are:

- Well women
- Safe women
- Smart women
- Creative women

Mission of the Domestic Violence Resource Service (Mackay and Region) Inc

The **Domestic Violence Resource Service** is committed to the right of all women and children to live free from all forms of violence and abuse.

Our response is guided by the principles of empowerment and social justice.

Our services include:

- counselling to women and their children affected by domestic and family violence.
- information, advice, and referral to all people affected by domestic and family violence.
- assistance to women in drafting and filing an application for a domestic violence protection order.
- support for women at dv court mentions, hearings and similar matters.
- public education around the incidence and effects of domestic and family violence.
- advocacy for women accessing other services
- leadership of a co-ordinated community response to domestic and family violence.
- an education program for small groups of women affected by domestic and family violence.

In providing our services, we value:

- the diversity and individuality of all people,
- the professionalism of our staff,
- effective communication, including your feedback on our services,
- the empowerment of women and children.

You can expect:

- prompt, courteous service,
- helpful well-trained staff who will treat you with respect, confidentiality and in a culturally appropriate manner,
- fair and equitable access to our services and programmes,
- services which aim to meet your needs,
- an information service which is responsive to your needs and provides access to resources external to DVRS,
- prompt responses to your enquiries, comments or complaints,
- respect for your privacy at all times.