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Helen Dally

RON VOGT MEMORIAL COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD 2005



Helen Dally has served the community of Dingley Village for many years, particularly in her role as a volunteer with the Dingley Village Community Advice Bureau. Helen was a valued member of the C.A.B.'s Committee of Management for many years during the 1990's.

As a committed volunteer during, and since that time, she has been a staunch supporter of the Emergency Relief program – providing food to families living on the poverty line.

In 1993, Helen was travelling to Airport West each fortnight to collect bulk food from Foodbank Victoria. This was a 4 hour round trip, and Helen would often leave home at 7.30am on a cold wintry morning.

In 1996 a satellite depot of Foodbank Victoria was established in Dandenong, and Helen didn't need to leave home quite so early.

In addition, Helen takes her place on the weekly roster to dispense food parcels to clients. Welfare is not a glamorous industry to be involved in, however Helen cheerfully gives of her time to help these families in need.

The family support agency of the C.A.B. often deals with emergency situations, and Helen is always one of the first to put up her hand when needed at short notice.

The Dingley Village C.A.B. is delighted that the Bendigo Bank has seen fit to recognise her dedication to our community, and make this award to Helen.