

# BHP



## CHEFS FOR THE DAY!

The Salvation Army (TSA) provides a large array of spiritual and social services throughout Western Australia. Homelessness, addiction, and mental illness often leave people alienated from the communities in which they live, and the Salvation Army aims to provide opportunities for people to connect with and feel part of a community. At their headquarters in Northbridge, TSA hosts a Community Lunch every Friday, which is a great opportunity for anyone from the local community, especially those who are less fortunate and vulnerable, to come to a safe and welcoming environment and enjoy a delicious and nutritious meal - prepared by corporate volunteers!

On Friday 7 July, eight volunteers from the Asset West Technology - Central team joined TSA for a unique volunteering experience, preparing a two-course meal (main and dessert) for their Community Lunch. After an introduction, the team divided into two groups. The front of house team was tasked with setting up the dining hall, setting the tables with cutlery, filling up water jugs and then once the doors open, greeting attendees, and serving and clearing the meal. The second team were the chefs for the day, with four team members overseeing the main meal of Chicken Pesto Pasta with Garlic Bread (plus a vegetarian option), and two team members overseeing the Chocolate Brownie (with ice cream) for dessert. Dividing and conquering throughout the day, all team members quickly got to work, with the dining hall set and the meal ready to go once the doors opened at 11.45am. In less than an hour, the team all worked together to serve over 150 meals to the community, with many of the guests coming back for seconds or takeaways, commenting on how delicious everything was. As the day wrapped up, and with the piano playing in the background, the team packaged up the leftover meals for the TSA outreach service, cleaned the dining hall, washed, and packed away all the dishes and mopped the floor.

Well done to this awesome team and thank you for all your help in making the day such a success. We hope you enjoyed your volunteering experience.

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## Team Highlights

Team work and happy diners

Seeing the happy faces on the guests we were feeding

The politeness of the people and the gratitude they expressed for the little we did.

Being able to feed so many people who need it in the community and see how much they enjoy it

Made customers happy by providing them with nice meal

Working together as a team, giving back in a very tangible way

Was excellent and felt very rewarding to help with the community effort

