

Nourishing social cohesion among the newest Australians: a Third Sector perspective



Newington Gunners

NEWINGTON SOCCER CLUB 2014



ALL AGE MEN DIVISION 6

Winners



What SSI does

SSI is a not-for-profit organisation that provides support for vulnerable communities in NSW:

- Refugees and humanitarian entrants
- People seeking asylum who live in the Australian community
- Children from CALD backgrounds who need out-of-home care
- People with disability, carers and families
- Newly arrived migrants through the NSW Settlement Partnership
- People seeking employment



THE NUMBER OF SERVICES SSI CURRENTLY PROVIDES, TO A RANGE OF CLIENTS. THESE SERVICES ARE:

Humanitarian Settlement Services (HSS),
for refugees and humanitarian entrants

Status Resolution Support Services (SRSS),
for asylum seekers living in the community

Housing Services, for HSS and SRSS clients

Multicultural Foster Care Service, for children from CALD backgrounds who require out-of-home care

Ability Links NSW, to foster full and active participation of people with disabilities in their communities

Ignite Small Business Start-ups, a self-funded enterprise facilitation initiative for refugees

Jobactive employment services, for job seekers in the Sydney East Metro area

Ignite Small Business Start-ups

SSI Ignite supports refugees to establish small businesses



Ignite
small business
start-ups
AN SSI INITIATIVE

Five dimensions of social and community cohesion

Belonging	Isolation
Inclusion	Exclusion
Participation	Non-involvement
Recognition	Rejection
Legitimacy	Illegitimacy
Equality	Inequality

(Markus and Kirpitchenko)

SSI Community Engagement

Seeks to link isolated clients, such as asylum seekers and those with disabilities to new contacts and community groups



Community Kitchen



Playtime



Events



Sporting Activities

SSI Ability Links NSW

Ability Links NSW links people with disability, their families and carers to their community to set and achieve goals, build confidence and expand networks

Linkers work with individuals, businesses and other community groups to support them to be welcoming and inclusive

An initiative of the NSW Government Department of Family and Community Services, Ageing, Disability and Home Care



Thank you

