

Join Mission Australia's

# HIKE TO END HOMELESSNESS

# Join us and help change lives.





Help end homelessness by challenging yourself or your team to a 15km hike through the incredible Blue Mountains.



#### MISSION Australia

Less than a two-hour drive west of Sydney are the world-heritage listed Greater Blue Mountains.

Consisting of over a million hectares, the Blue Mountains are renowned for some of the best walks in Australia.

Join our hike to end homelessness and raise funds to support Australians and communities in need.

The hiking route is approximately 15km in length between two of the largest waterfalls in the region - Katoomba Falls and Wentworth Falls.

You'll experience the spectacular Jamison Valley from atop its towering escarpments, visiting numerous vantage points offering uninterrupted views of the natural wonders of this unique area – The Three Sisters, Mount Solitary and Narrow Neck Plateau.



### Challenge details

GRAND CLIFFTOP WALK (KATOOMBA TO WENTWORTH FALLS) - 15KMS/9HR WALK

Non-refundable registration fee: \$185

Minimum fundraising target: \$750



Challenge grade: Moderate

Trip duration: 9 hours

Group size: 20 people

Leader: Expert local leader



Dates: Fri 1st March, Sat 2nd March, Fri 8th March, Sat 9th March, Fri 21st March, Sat 22 March



Unfortunately, this trip is not suitable for people with limited mobility.







## Highlights

- Explore ancient and spectacular landscapes with only a day pack
- Traverse the Jamison Valley from Katoomba Falls to Wentworth Falls
- Enjoy uninterrupted views of The Three Sisters, Mount Solitary and Narrow Neck Plateau
- Challenge yourself and change the lives of vulnerable Australians



## Sponsorship packages

**EXCLUSIVE HIKE DATES FOR CORPORATE TEAMS** 

**FANTASTIC TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITY** 

#### **CONNECT YOUR BUSINESS TO A POSITIVE CAUSE**

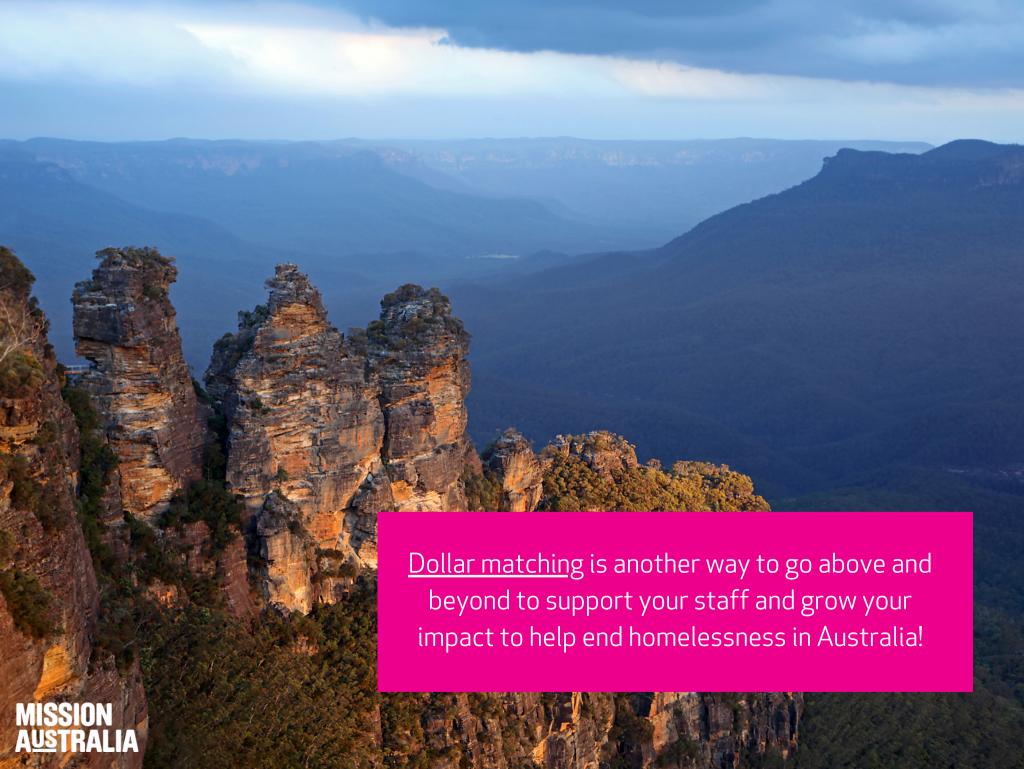
Hike dates coincide with International Women's Day to support women over 55 - Australia's fastest growing demographic experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

Cover the cost of your staff so they can focus on their training and fundraising!

Packages include: local guide, national park fees, lunch, registration fees and fundraising support.

\$925 5 STAFF MEMBERS \$1,850 10 STAFF MEMBERS \$3,700 20 STAFF MEMBERS

Note: A minimum of 20 staff members are needed for a private departure.



#### What's included:

- Mission Australia representative
- Professional, passionate and knowledgeable guides
- All activity related safety equipment
- Delicious lunch, prepared by a local deli and enjoyed on route
- National Park entrance fees
- Transfer by private minibus back to Katoomba from Wentworth Falls
- Emergency communications and group first aid kit
- Training manual, gear list
- Fundraising support and toolkit

#### What's not included:

- Day pack
- Travel to and from Katoomba
- Accommodation before or after the trip
- Travel insurance



## **Detailed itinerary**

Our trip starts with a meet-and-greet and briefing by your guide/s (usually held at 8am) in Katoomba. Then we transfer to Katoomba Falls Reserve, where our hike begins!

After marveling at the power of the Falls as the water cascades into the Valley below, we walk through to Echo Point, the most popular lookout in the Blue Mountains, for views of the iconic Three Sisters. After making use of the amenities if required we're back on the clifftop trail passing numerous lesser-known lookouts all of which offer a different perspective of the Jamison Valley.

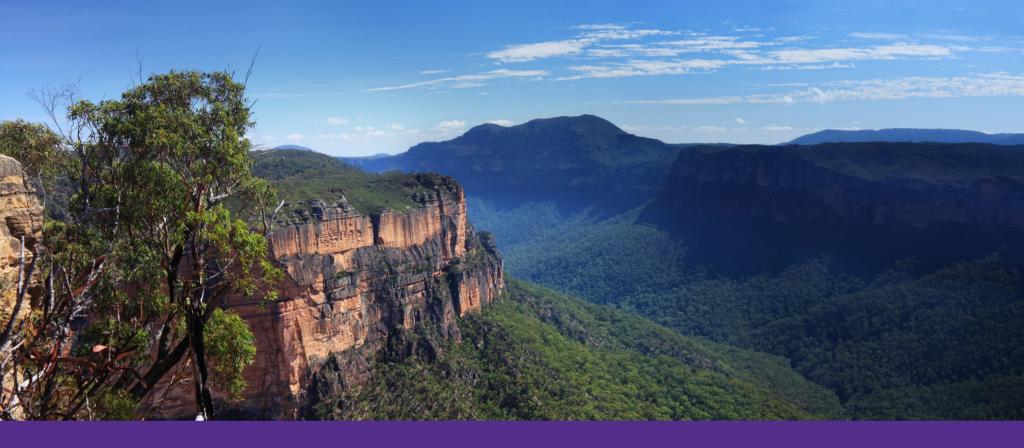
Whilst we spend most of our time high above the Valley, we'll also pass through a number of pockets of lush deep-green remnant rainforest where a quick splash of the cool creek water on our faces will provide welcome relief if the day is a hot one. These pockets of rainforest will also allow us the opportunity to listen for birds calls and perhaps even see a lyrebird.

The trail is not devoid of steps as this is the Blue Mountains! There will be sections of trail that we can stride out on the flats, and there will be sections that we'll take our time descending and ascending. Throughout the hike you can admire the natural world in all its glory with spectacular views, as well as delightful flowers and rock formations.

Our day concludes with a final view from high above the most well-known waterfall of the Blue Mountains – Wentworth Falls.

Meals included: Lunch is a delicious sandwich of your selection, prepared by a local deli and enjoyed on route.





### Challenge grade - Moderate

Our hike to end homelessness is a fantastic way to challenge yourself and do good - we want to ensure you have the best experience possible! It is important that you have the fitness and skills to enjoy your time.

For a full day bush walking experience, participants must be willing and able to walk over rugged terrain with some steep ascents and descents. In order to complete this challenge you should already have a good level of fitness. Experience hill walking with a day pack is recommended. Participants will get the most out of their hike if they feel comfortable walking up and down stairs and on uneven ground.



# Ready to take on the challenge?

Scan the QR code — to visit our website



Reach out to secure your spot today!

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## Thank you

for helping end homelessness