



# Sydney Executive Business Association Inc

(Trustee for The Charitable Heart of Sydney Foundation) Charity ABN 56 989 368 216

## Invitation

### 2019 FUNDRAISING & AWARD GALA DINNER & DANCE

#### Beneficiary - Mary's House

Providing refuge, counselling and support services  
for women and children escaping Domestic Violence

#### The 2019 Charitable Heart of Sydney Award

#### Recipient - Father Chris Riley

(Founder & CEO of Youth off the Streets)

Master-of-Ceremony

**Chris Smith - 2GB Radio Host**

SEPTEMBER

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6:30 PM

Venue

**Zilver Haymarket, Level 1, 477 Pitt St. Haymarket**

To secure your table, please complete and return the attached Booking Form to us.  
Please contact us if you would like to sponsor some auction, raffle or table prizes.

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## Table Sponsorship Options

- 1) Platinum Table @ \$6,000 per table of 10 \*
- 2) Gold Table @ \$3,500 per table of 10 people \*
- 3) Silver Table @ \$2,000 per table of 10 people
- 4) Bronze Table @ \$1,200 per table of 10 people

- Recognition by MC, logo included in printed Program and on LED screen, Corporate signage on table.

Dinner is a 10-course Chinese banquet, with complimentary wines, entertainment and dancing.

## Prizes

We would greatly appreciate any sponsorship and/or donation of prizes towards our Auction, Raffle and/or Gift bags.

Winners are grinners! Some very happy Auction and Raffle prize winners!





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## Who we are

SEBA is a non-profit, non-religious and non-political organization run by like-minded volunteers.

## Membership

Our members are mostly senior and middle management and business owners. We meet occasionally over lunch or dinner where we invite speakers from various industries to share their views on a wide range of topics of interest. We also host an annual Christmas get-together which brings our members, families, friends and sponsors together.

## Fundraising

We run a major annual fundraising event to raise much needed funds for a nominated charity. Since its inception, the Association has raised over half a million dollars and distributed to the following beneficiaries:

- 1) Sydney University Nerve Research Foundation
- 2) Cystic Fibrosis at Westmead Children's Hospital
- 3) Guide Dogs NSW & ACT
- 4) Lou's Place – a day refuge for victims of domestic violence
- 5) Bus of Books – literacy program for children in Aboriginal communities
- 6) Couples for Christ – to help rebuild an orphanage in Tacloban, Philippines which was destroyed by Typhoon Hainan in 2013
- 7) Arrow Bone Marrow Transplant Foundation
- 8) Farmers' Appeal - through The Australian Chinese Charity Foundation





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## The Charitable Heart of Sydney Award (CHOS)

Each year, this Award is present to a nominated person or persons who has contributed either philanthropically and/or contributed their time, as a result of which has made a significant impact and benefited to the community at large.

Our past recipients include Mr Ray Hadley, Mr & Mrs Dick & Pip Smith, Mr & Mrs Robert & Kelly Salteri, Mr & Mrs Barry & Joy Lambert, Dr Roberta Chow AM and Prof Patsy Armati AM.



Mr & Mrs Robert & Kelly Salteri



Mr & Mrs Barry & Joy Lambert



Dr Roberta Chow AM and  
Prof Patsy Armati AM

## 2019 CHOS Award Recipient - Father Chris Riley AM



Father Chris Riley AM, Founder and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Youth Off The Streets, has worked with disadvantaged youth for more than 40 years in a variety of roles including teacher, youth worker, probation officer, residential carer, principal and CEO. Father Chris officially founded Youth Off The Streets in 1991 - <https://youthoffthestreets.com.au/about/father-rileys-story/>

Father Chris believes there is no such thing as a “child born bad”, but acknowledges that there are bad environments, circumstances and families that impact negatively on our young. “We must have the courage to demand greatness from our youth.”



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## Beneficiary - Mary's House

Domestic Violence in Australia and around the world is at alarming proportions. The statistics in Australia are very disconcerting!

- \* On average 1 woman a week is murdered by her former or current partner as a result of domestic violence;
- \* 1 in 4 Australian women have experienced physical or sexual violence by an intimate partner;
- \* 1 in 4 women have experienced emotional abuse by an intimate partner.

Many of these women have children in their care – witnessing and/or experiencing violence as a child has a long term impact on their social well being and mental health. Shelters like **Mary's House** offers a temporary but much appreciated solution to this epidemic - <https://maryshouse.org.au/>

**Mary's House** is a refuge for women and children escaping domestic violence. They offer a sanctuary to these families and enable them to start a new, safe life. Mary's House is a community initiative – it was started by a group of like minded people and continues to be funded and supported through the community, with no government funding. It is a small house enabling 5 families at a time to receive support. They continue to offer outreach services to many residents as they move on to their new lives.

With this in mind, let us do everything within our power to educate, and hopefully in time, help to significantly reduce the incidences of domestic violence.

*We hope you can join us. Together - we can make a difference!*



*Greg*

Greg Bugden  
President



*Luci*

Luciana Ozcan  
Vice President - Fundraising Chair

Committee: Vincent D'Cruz, Milan Grzic, Craig Jones, Lesley Bell, Rose Jones, Margaret Wong



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Always a FUN night with awesome company!

