



## **Family Relationship Centre Celebrates 10 Years of Service**

CatholicCare Social Services' Family Relationship Centre (FRC) is celebrating 10 years of service to families in the Darling Downs area this month (June).

From the first day of operation, FRC has assisted clients navigate challenges of separation and divorce. Staff have helped their clients negotiate weekend visits and choice of schooling, often in complex situations like domestic and family violence, drugs/alcohol and mental health issues. Sometimes these situations can be further complicated by cultural considerations, such as indigenous or culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) sensitivities. FRC staff can have some really tricky spaces to work in while trying to help families achieve positive results for all involved.

There are important and interesting stories to share during FRC's anniversary. FRC staff would be happy to share the intense situations that are presented to the service, as well as the amazing outcomes they have achieved for these families.

**What:** Family Relationship Centre 10 Years of Service

**When:** Tuesday, 19/6/18 the FRC staff will be celebrating the anniversary, from 11:30am staff and clients will be available for interview

**Where:** The Shrine, 502 Ruthven St, Toowoomba

**Who:**

Kate Venables, Director, CatholicCare Social Services  
Zoe Locke, Team Leader, Family Relationship Centre  
Staff (Mediators)

Clients – we have arranged for clients who are happy to be interviewed and talk about their experience at FRC to be available. Interviewees will need to be de-identified to protect family privacy and children's identities.

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