



Council Name: Ashfield Council

Event Name: Ashfield International Women's Day with Red Bug Playgroup

The total grant funding of \$1000 was spent Yes

Please provide a description of your IWD event(s)

The 2009 Ashfield IWD celebration was held in the Ashfield Park to link in with the Red Bug Playgroup. There was a range of craft activities for the children and the parents to join in. A Tai Chi demonstration had been organized but the group was well engrossed in conversation and activity and did not take up the offer. Workers from the Infants Home Children & Family Services found the event offered a comfortable and relaxed atmosphere in which to speak at length to a number of the families in attendance.

There was also a display put up in the Ashfield Library with posters and IWD history information along with a collection of suggested readings.

List the community partners involved with the event(s)

The Infants Home Children & Family Services

The Ashfield Women in Focus Group

SHARE Health

How many participants attended the event(s)

Approximately 40.

Please summarise feedback from the participants

Parents and carers found the event very comfortable and enjoyable and were forthcoming in asking questions of Children's Service and Council staff about other women's health and family support services that are available in the area.

Passers by in the Park were also welcomed to the celebrations, and a number of Chinese families joined in the fun and food.

How was the event(s) publicised?

There was a media release sent out to local papers. Posters were placed on all community and Council facility notice-boards. The information was also dispersed electronically to networks. Information was shared at interagency meetings of Inner West Ethnic Network, 4 LGA's Families NSW and Chinese Workers Group. A mail out was sent to women's interest mail lists.

Please also email two digital photographs that depict the event

Event information declared correct and completed by:

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