

# **BANGLADESH FORUM FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

*Draft Proposal regarding activities/programs to be run by the proposed forum*

This proposal has been prepared on the basis of informal discussions with community members over the years. Each program will have a coordinator and organized by a group of volunteers.

## **A. PROGRAMS FOR OUR COMMUNITY**

1. **Talent day** - program to recognize achievements of our children
2. **Friendship Day** – day long program to promote friendships amongst community members and their families.
3. **Education & Career** – program for our senior high school students regarding selection of right career.  
Participated by our professionals and recent graduates from different disciplines
4. **Tribute to the seniors** – get to know our seniors, listen to their memories, expectations, ideas and guidance for future generations.
5. **Experience Sharing program** on
  - Living with Diabetes
  - Backyard Gardening
6. **Parents pushing strollers**
7. **Grand Parents Day**
8. **Health Forum** – seminars on various health issues, in cooperation with bodies like AMA.
9. **Women Forum**
10. **Economic forum** on
  - Investment
  - Mortgage
  - Taxation
  - Superannuation
11. **Kids in the Kitchen** – cooking lesson for young girls
12. **Kid's Cricket** – cricket tournament for kids (under 16 years)
13. **Shishu Mela** – a day long festival for children
14. **Athletic carnival**
15. **Brides & Groom** – Matrimonial service for the community
16. **Year book** – published by young Bangladeshis
17. **Debating club** – organized and participated by high school & University students
18. **Bangladesh Directory** -
19. **Bangladesh Center** – establishment of a cultural center

## **B. PROGRAMS FOR BROADER AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITY**

1. **Good Morning Bangladesh** – annual fund raising program for Cancer Council
2. Annual Fund raising program for **Diabetes Australia**
3. Annual Fund raising program for **Westmead Children Hospital**
4. Annual Fund raising program for **Sydney Children Hospital**
5. Regular participation in **blood donation** program organized by Australian Red Cross
6. Participation in **Clean up Australia Day**

## **C. PROGRAMS FOR BANGLADESH**

1. Computer for Schools
2. Clothes for Kids
3. Clean drinking water – sinking tube-well in different villages.
4. Contribution to some specific institution (e.g. Cancer Hospital)

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**Community Engagement is the key for Community Development**