



Mission to Seafarers Sydney: Overview

In 2022 we:

Welcomed



1600
Seafarers from
67
Nations

Transported

> 1200
Seafarers from to
The Mission



Visited



237
Seafarers in
Hospitals
Vessels &
Hotels

Delivered Goods

> \$75,000
value to
171
Vessels



Received Parcels



360 +
for Seafarers
to collect

Vaccinated

1130
Seafarers from
124
Vessels



Seafarers are often forgotten but without their work, we would see our economy grind to a halt and our lives drastically change. Supporting our wellbeing services is an efficient, compassionate way say thank you.

Mission to Seafarers in Sydney, established in 1881, continues to be:

- The place for practical compassionate holistic care for seafarers visiting Sydney ports
- One of 27 centres in ports around Australia co-operating to help sustain and rejuvenate hardworking Seafarers of all faiths and nationalities
- Thankful for support from Govt, industry, port communities, donors and active local volunteers
- Part of a global network of care established in 1856 and still active in over 200 ports in 50 nations.

It takes people not just ships, to bring Australians over 95% of our essential goods. Seafarers lonely and often dangerous work provides many with a route out of poverty for their families. For example, a Filipino seafarers wage is invariably used to provide fundamental support for up to 15 family members at home, so every dollar that can be saved is precious. This limits their ability to reconnect, recharge and renew during vital shore leave. Mission to Seafarers helps to fill that gap.



Winners: Shipping and Maritime Industry Awards 2021 Seafarers Welfare Award, Highly Commended

– for ongoing role in port vaccination program. Also nominated in 2022 for our work reintroducing and expanding our services after covid.

Since lockdown, we have focused on:

- Welcoming seafarers back to our Centre in Millers Point while continuing ship visits;
- Continuing to deliver supplies to isolated crews such as SIM cards to call home, warm clothing or shoes to keep working, as well as Care Packs filled mainly with donated goods;
- Emergency care such as repatriating seafarers stranded in Sydney and assistance for whatever is needed most.



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