

Santos staff step up to the plate

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SANTOS staff are joining forces with Common Ground Adelaide to ensure the organisation's new city development is ready for tenants to move in for Christmas.

The group from Santos's international drilling team plans to work with Common Ground staff and some National Australia Bank employees to unpack crockery, sweep floors and make beds next week. Single parents on low incomes and at risk of

homelessness will be moving into the \$15.5 million seven-storey Mellor Street building.

The building, funded partly with more than \$6 million in Commonwealth funding and \$2 million in State Government funding, has 13 two-bedroom apartments. Santos has contributed \$3 million to Common Ground Adelaide.

Nicole Connelly, Santos International Drilling Team executive assistant, said staff wanted to be part of a working bee that "was a great way to give back to the community".



COOKING WITH GAS: Chris Marks, Cheryl Velautham and Nicole Connelly help to set up.