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CCC street art event brings colour to the Terrace on International Anti-Corruption Day

The Corruption and Crime Commission is taking to the streets of central Perth today.

Internationally-recognised mural and graffiti artist Drew Straker is creating an anti-corruption themed mural for the Commission with passers-by in St Georges Terrace invited to the CCC office to watch the piece evolve.

The street art event aims to increase awareness about what the CCC does and how easy it is to report information about corruption or serious misconduct, and is a chance to improve community understanding about their role in exposing corruption.

At present, less than a quarter of notifications of serious misconduct received by the CCC come from individual members of the community. That rate has been rising but the CCC wants to see it increase more as people understand how they can be protected if they come forward and do the right thing.

The street art event is part of the CCC's contribution to International Anti-Corruption Day which is being marked around the world today under the joint leadership of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the UN's Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

Under the global theme, *United Against Corruption*, the 2016 global campaign is focussing on corruption as the biggest single obstacle to economic and social development around the world – with US\$1 trillion paid in bribes each year and an estimated US\$2.6 trillion stolen annually through corruption.

The CCC and Public Sector Commission will begin International Anti-Corruption Day with a special event for approximately 300 key government officials from across the WA public service, providing them with insights into whistleblowing trends, the latest corruption themes,

areas of risk, prevention strategies, reporting mechanisms and wider corruption considerations.

Attendees will be addressed by guest speaker Chris Wheeler, Deputy NSW Ombudsman who has more than 30 years' experience in complaint-handling, investigations and public interest disclosures (whistleblowing) and John McKechnie QC Corruption and Crime Commissioner.

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