



Welcome to the Albany Community Foundation

Our Vision

ACF is recognised as champions of breaking down social barriers for those in need through compassion within our community.

Our Mission

To support those within our community who have fallen on hard times through no fault of their own, by offering a helping hand.

Our Values

Compassion
Local Focus
Integrity
Open and Transparent
Respect

Our History

Back in 2014, a group of passionate locals shared an idea of contributing directly to the Albany Community to support people who had fallen on hard times through no fault of their own. It was envisaged that this would be achieved through a vehicle where donors would contribute to a transparent and efficiently run local charity.

It was considered of utmost importance that donors were guaranteed that 100% of their funds would be given back to the community, including a promise that no administration or overhead costs would be deducted. Of high importance was the creation of guidelines that facilitated funding to flow to recipients without red tape, and identifying and assisting recipients who have demonstrated a willingness to help themselves, but who lacked the financial capacity to do so. From this simple vision the ACF was born!

*From 2014 to 2019 the ACF has given back to the Community
\$494,168*

Our Unique Focus

- Targeted support to individuals with a genuine need for assistance, who have demonstrated a willingness to help themselves.
- Supported applications are for identified gaps in other existing funding.
- 100% of donated funds stay within the Great Southern Region and end up back in the Community.
- Donors and supporters get unbridled access to the inner workings of the ACF, meaning 100% transparency is offered in ACF's governance, financial affairs and day to day operations.
- Uniquely placed to bring together existing charities, service organisations, donors, recipients and the broader community to work together to achieve better outcomes for the community.
- Diversity of fundraising options including membership, one off donations, corporate sponsorship, workplace giving, charity events, auction items, grants ...

The ACF Membership Experience

One of our key areas to raise funds and engage with the community is inviting individuals, families, local businesses or your workplace to make an annual tax-deductible donation of \$1000 (or \$500 if you are aged under 25). This group of donors are known as our “Members”. All Members are invited to attend our annual Members Vision Night. This is a unique opportunity to connect directly with the ACF Board and other like-minded individuals, along with participation in interactive ‘real life’ applications, where ideas are explored and workshopped. This provides Members an opportunity to see how their donations are being used and to have a voice in shaping the future direction of the ACF.

*The ACF motto is;
“Getting Together to Give”*

Our Current Board

Our entire Board volunteers their time and resources and takes no remunerations for their services. They also make an annual financial contribution of \$1000 each. These funds are specifically used for any overhead or incidental costs the foundation incurs – this is how we guarantee 100% of donors’ funds go back to the community.

The current Board is:

Tae Wood was part of the inaugural group and holds the role as our current Chairman and Finance Officer.

Jeremy Stewart was part of the inaugural group and holds the role of Vice Chairman and Membership Officer.

Julie de Jong joined the Board in 2016 as heads up our Grants Committee who review all applications received.

Sarah Moir joined the Board in 2016 and provides IT support.

Stacey Murnane joined the Board in 2018 and is our Event Co-ordinator.

Ashley McPhail joined the Board in 2019 and provides support in review of applications and is our Youth Liaison.

Jamie Hodgkinson joined the Board in 2020 and provides legal support and assists with community engagement.

Stuart Roberts joined the Board in 2020 and provides support in review of applications and is our Indigenous Liaison.

*Ian Brayshaw, Alicia Molik and The Waifs
fly the flag as ACF Ambassadors*

For full Board Profiles, contact details and further information please visit our website at:

www.acfwa.com.au