

GIVE WHERE YOU LIVE FOUNDATION

The Give Where You Live Foundation aims to address one of the most complex and entrenched social issues in the Geelong regional community - **disadvantage**.

In some parts of our community the level of disadvantage is at alarming and unacceptable levels - we are determined to ensure that this changes.

Since 1954, the Give Where You Live Foundation has been working together with our donors to **Build Better Communities** by providing grants and delivering programs that help provide educational and employment opportunities and support people experiencing life crises.

Over the past financial year, the Foundation allocated over **\$2.86 million in community contributions** (including supporting Feed Geelong and the GROW employment initiative) into the Geelong region's community. **\$1.85 million of this was allocated as direct grants** to our community partners, enabling over 50 organisations to continue their work addressing the affects of disadvantage in our community.



WHAT IS WORKPLACE GIVING?

For over 60 years, thousands of Geelong workers have been donating to the Foundation's Workplace Giving Program, with a **small tax-deductible donation through their pay packets**, in turn helping those most in need in our community.

WHY SIGN UP TO WORKPLACE GIVING?

Your donation assists those most in need

Over the past year, Workplace Givers have raised close to \$900,000 to support our community's most vulnerable people. Your donations will support programs working to support our youth to remain engaged with their school and community, provide access and support for people seeking employment and promoting wellbeing and supporting people through a life challenging or changing crisis, including emergency food relief and homelessness support.

You choose how much you donate

From as little as \$5 or \$10 from each pay, you can join thousands of other workers who donate to the Give Where You Live Foundation's Workplace Giving Program. You get to choose how much you donate; it can be a weekly cup of coffee or much more - its up to you.



Your accountant will love it!

Your Workplace Giving donation comes out of your pre-tax salary so you receive the tax benefit straight away rather than waiting until the end of financial year, when you complete your Tax Return. Your donation amount will appear automatically on your annual Payment Summary.

It's to set up

All you need to do is complete the deduction form and then your payroll department will transfer donations across to the Foundation. Provide an email address and the Foundation will let you know the impact of your donation, if not your employer will keep you up to date.

YOUR DONATIONS - YOUR IMPACT

With thanks to your Workplace Giving donations, over 60 grants were given out over the past year. Here are some of these grants.



Delta Society

A grant of \$8,489 to improve the health and wellbeing and to decrease social isolation of the elderly, the disabled and the socially disadvantaged through the Delta Therapy Dogs program.



Riding for the Disabled

A \$10,000 grant to enable children with disabilities to experience enjoyment, challenge, and a sense of achievement through participation in equestrian activities.



Stroke Association of Victoria

A \$25,000 grant to support the long-term, social, emotional and physical rehabilitation needs of stroke survivors and their carers.



Anglesea & District Community House

A grant of \$7,752 to support the availability of affordable secondhand goods for those in need in the Surf Coast



Drysdale Family Support

A grant of \$30,000 to improve the food security and the health and wellbeing of residents on the Bellarine Peninsula through the operation of a Foodbank service



Urban Seed

A grant of \$30,000 to improve food security and to address related issues of disadvantage in Norlane.



The Smith Family

A grant of \$30,000 to strengthen reading and literacy skills of pre-school children living in disadvantaged families within the communities of Corio, Norlane, North Shore and Whittington.



Western Edge Arts Program

A \$15,000 grant to develop oral language skills, social connectedness and engagement in learning for 150 children aged 5-12 years at Whittington Primary School.



Ocean Mind

A \$30,000 grant to create connected supportive communities for young people experiencing social isolation, mental health issues or disabilities aged 8-18 years.

