



A Community Foundation for
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

FOUNDATION SA

YEAR IN REVIEW 2023

FOUNDATION SA
IS FROM OUR COMMUNITY,
AND FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

Pip and Andrew
Better Tomorrow Fund
Foundation SA

OUR IMPACT CONTINUES TO GROW



In May 2023, Foundation SA celebrated our two-year milestone as a statewide community foundation dedicated to growing giving to positively impact South Australian communities.

During the 2022/23 financial year, Foundation SA awarded \$315,000 in grants to support communities across South Australia. This includes both donor-advised grants from our sub-funds and grants from Foundation SA.

This year we ran our first public fundraising campaign, creating the South Australian Disaster Recovery Fund to provide all South Australians with a way to support people in Riverland and Murraylands communities who had been impacted by devastating floods in early 2023.

By combining private foundation funding with general public fundraising we were able to support more community groups when they needed it. Our reach exceeded all expectations — thank you to everyone who generously donated and made it possible for us to award nine grants to non-profit organisations delivering much-needed recovery initiatives within these local communities.

2022/23 COMMUNITY IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANTS

General donations to Foundation SA support community projects through the Foundation SA Grants Program. Neighbourhood Grants are all about community-led initiatives that create connection, and have included:

Hands of Hope Foundation is supporting women to improve their safety and create ongoing support networks through their eight-week program.



I have discovered the true person I am meant to be, and have more confidence, self-worth and positivity in my life.



Hands of Hope Foundation program participant

Raising awareness of the need for giving and ways of doing that is a key motivator for our work and we are pleased to have received positive feedback from our fund holders and donors about how easy Foundation SA makes the process of giving, and how being able to include family members and invite employees to participate in philanthropy makes it all the more enjoyable.

I'm also pleased to share that Foundation SA is making significant progress in building a perpetual corpus to ensure long-term sustainability. At the end of the 2022/23 financial year we had 23 sub-funds in the Foundation SA community with a total corpus of more than \$2.3 million invested and growing.

I extend my deepest thanks to every person, business and community that has contributed to the ongoing growth and evolution of Foundation SA — you truly make this a community foundation for South Australia.

Stacey Thomas
Chief Executive Officer



Villagehood Australia's Singing Hearts Program is using the power of music to build stronger connections between mothers and children for health and wellbeing.



Research shows that when we create moments of joy for mothers and children in a safe environment, it has an incredibly positive effect.



Dinah Thomasset
Founder and Chief Executive, Villagehood Australia



SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DISASTER RECOVERY GRANTS

Foundation SA established the South Australian Disaster Recovery Fund in early 2023 in direct response to the severe flood crisis in South Australia's Riverland and Murraylands.

All funds raised through the Disaster Recovery Fund support non-profit organisations working in impacted regions, by providing small grants to aid recovery and build resilience for the future.



TOTAL FLOOD FUNDS DISTRIBUTED \$87,000

Combined with major gifts from the philanthropic sector, Foundation SA raised \$87,000 to support regional flood-impacted communities exactly when they needed it most.

In June 2023, with an independent assessment panel, we awarded nine grants and \$87,700 to community organisations following a competitive grant application process.

Good Shepherd — My Money Basics Financial Literacy Program

Habitat for Humanity — Flood Clean-up and Gardens of Hope

Mid-Murray Support Service — Restoration of Scrooge's Op Shop

Our Town Berri — Workshops to support recovery and help build resilience

Headspace Berri — Evidence-based clinical skills and social connections group

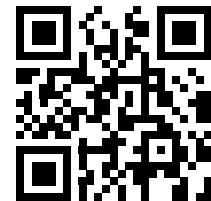
Mannum Community College — Student and staff resilience and mental health and wellbeing project

Foodbank SA — Foodbank Meal Packs

Nature Foundation — Watchalunga Nature Reserve sustainable alien fish control strategy

Wetlands Habitats (Paiwealla) — Restoration of Paiwalla Wetland

For more information about the South Australian Disaster Recovery Grants, scan the QR code



DONOR ADVISED GRANTING

This year our donors have granted **more than \$315,000**, with grants ranging in size from \$500 to \$40,000. Our donor advised fund model allows donors to select causes close to their heart or use our granting advisory services to find out where they can have the most impact.

Over the past 12 months, 35 organisations were supported, including: Tjindu Foundation, Catherine House, The Smith Family, Lighthouse Youth Projects, JamFactory, Motor Neurone Disease Association of SA and Safe Pets Safe Families.



OUR VISION AND MISSION



OUR VISION

A connected, resilient, sustainable South Australia where everyone belongs.

OUR MISSION

Inspire generosity and inclusivity, strengthen the local non-profit sector and create a permanent endowment to support the current and future needs of our community.

HOW WILL WE ACHIEVE THIS?

Our commitment is to focus on the following 5 activities to achieve our mission.



Inspire Generosity & Inclusivity

Make philanthropy accessible and fun



Elevate Awareness

Of the need in our community and the organisations doing great work to address them



Corpus Building

Build a perpetual corpus for long-term sustainability



Sector Collaboration

Unite with other organisations for greater impact



Connecting

Activate community and donor resources: human, financial, physical, environmental

OUR IMPLEMENTATION PARTNERS



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