



**COMMUNITY
SPIRIT
FOUNDATION**
EDUCATION CHANGES LIVES



**YOUR LEGACY.
THEIR FUTURE.**

WHO ARE WE?

Community Spirit Foundation is changing the lives of First Nations young people and their communities in some of the most remote corners of Australia.

We work in partnership with communities to support First Nations young people to build on their innate strengths and to gain skills and access resources they need to navigate their education journey with confidence, and transition into a bright future.

Our locally-employed staff – the heart and soul of our organisation – contextualise program content to meet the individual needs and aspirations of each community.

We have plans to introduce new initiatives that will deepen our work and, in turn, assist transition into further education, employment and community leadership roles. We also have plans to expand into more remote communities in other parts of Australia. This will mean we will be able to support an increased number of young people to journey into bright futures

WHY DO OUR PROGRAMS WORK?

We have developed a unique suite of programs that are designed to support young people to be proud and strong, and feel comfortable in their own skin.

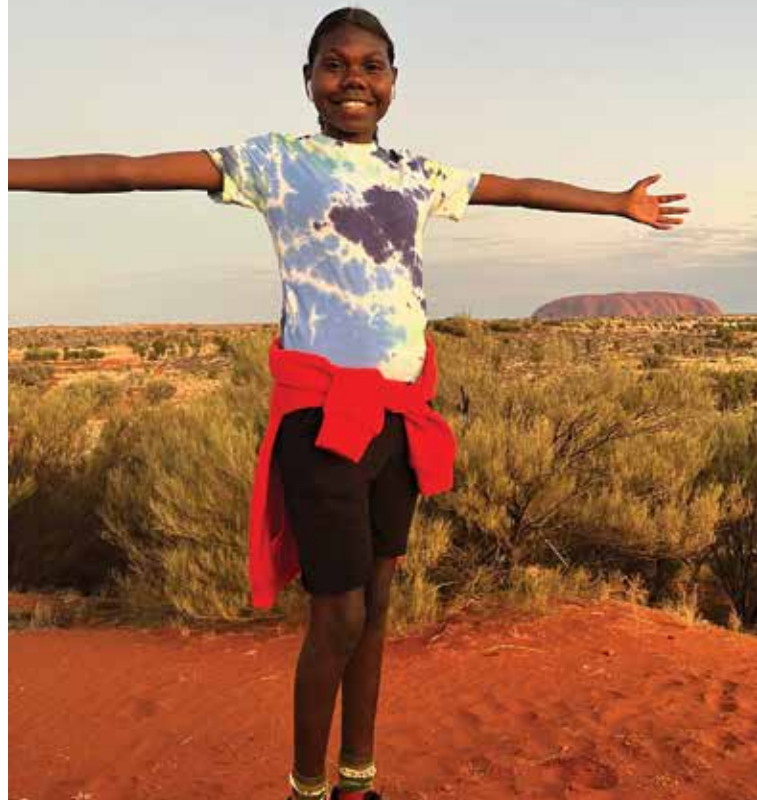
The programs are delivered sequentially, and facilitate learning and upskilling, provide access to resources, and support young people throughout their entire school journey. This equips young people with a toolkit, which they can draw on as they shape their future, and grow as resilient, strong and proud members and leaders of their communities.

“CSF encourages parents to be part of their children’s education and engages education in two worlds – the Yolngu and Balanda ... This has made students more resilient to continue their education journey in our local school.”

SHERILY, PARENT, GALIWIN’KU

WHY DO WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT?

Working in remote communities poses a range of logistical challenges, requiring significant financial investment to enable the navigation of vast distances, costly and infrequent travel options, seasonal disruptions, and unreliable internet and telecommunication services. It takes substantially more time, money, and engagement to run our programs in remote areas than if we delivered them in an urban setting. However, these barriers, which young people in remote communities face everyday, are why our programs are so important.



CHANGING LIVES THROUGH EDUCATION

As a supporter of Community Spirit Foundation, you are already committed to working towards a future where every single First Nations young person reaches their potential.

Your generous contributions help us to deliver contextualised, curriculum-linked programs; support young people to access the tools and training they need to transition to the world of work; give students the chance to connect with opportunities outside their community; and reward young learners for their attendance to and application at school. We are also a stable employer of First Nations young people in an otherwise challenging employment landscape.

We are immensely proud of our achievements and we are so grateful for the support we receive from our partners and supporters.

But there is still so much we want to do.



PLANNING YOUR LEGACY

Having a current will that ensures your financial assets go where you want them to, and eases the emotional and financial burden on your loved ones.

If you choose to leave a gift in your will to Community Spirit Foundation, you will help support First Nations young people to reach their potential for generations to come.

WRITING YOUR WILL

Your will can reflect what has been important to you in your lifetime. When preparing your will:

- discuss your intentions with your family to ensure they understand that your bequest is meaningful to you
- review your will regularly to make sure it is still valid so that your wishes can be fulfilled
- let us know. By confirming your intentions, you allow us to plan for the long-term with a greater degree of certainty, ensuring that we can continue to empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for generations to come. Also, we would like to keep you updated with our work, so you can see how your gift will support our impact. The information you provide will be treated in complete confidence.

HOW TO LEAVE A GIFT

Like any gift, your bequest to Community Spirit Foundation can be any amount or percentage of your estate you're comfortable with. A bequest doesn't impact your wealth during your lifetime and only takes effect when administering your estate. We have outlined below some of the ways you can leave a gift, however we recommend that you seek independent professional legal advice when finalising the wording in your will.

Alternatively, you can take advantage of our partnership with Gathered Here (www.gatheredhere.com.au/c/cmtyspirit-foundation) – a free online will-writing service.

INFORMATION FOR SOLICITORS

CORRECT NAME AND ABN TO USE FOR A WILL

Community Spirit Foundation
ABN 59 623 241 565

ADDRESS

1 Albert St, Richmond VIC 3121
PO Box 4335, Richmond East, VIC 3121

DGR STATUS

Community Spirit Foundation endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR). It is covered by Item 1 of the table in section 30-15 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

SUGGESTED WORDING FOR A WILL

"I give _____ * to the Community Spirit Foundation (ABN 59 623 241 565) of 1 Albert St, Richmond VIC 3121 for its general purposes. An authorised receipt from the Community Spirit Foundation will be a sufficient discharge for the executor(s) or trustee without seeing to the final distribution of the funds."

*Insert one of the following:

- the whole (or ...%) of the residue of my estate
- the whole (or ...%) of my estate
- the sum of \$ (amount)
- Details of a particular asset, such as shares or property.

"I encourage my kids to attend school every day not just for the awards but for their education. The Community Spirit Foundation is a bonus for me as a parent and my child."

MARCIA ROBERTS

RESIDUAL GIFT

A residual gift allows you to provide for your family and friends first before leaving the remainder of your estate to the Community Spirit Foundation. A residual gift is one of the most common ways to leave a charitable gift in your will. The value of a residual gift is determined after loved ones have been provided for and all expenses and claims have been paid. As your estate increases in value, so does your gift to the Community Spirit Foundation. Inflation should not then diminish the value of a residual gift.

PERCENTAGE OF YOUR ESTATE

Leaving a percentage of your estate (also known as a fractional amount) as a gift allows you to specify any amount between 1% to 100% that you would like the Community Spirit Foundation to receive. By choosing to give a percentage of your estate, your gift should retain its value over time.

A PECUNIARY GIFT

This is an opportunity for you to specify a specific amount of money to gift Community Spirit Foundation.

Every gift, large or small, will make a difference to the impact of our work.

The type of gifts you can leave in your will depends on your circumstances and the legacy you'd like to leave behind. Whatever type you choose, be assured that it's a wonderful way to give to charity and will make a significant difference to the world.

If you're unsure what to choose, we recommend discussing it with your family or a legal professional or with our bequests team.

To learn more about leaving a gift in your will, visit www.communityspiritfoundation.org.au/leave-a-gift-in-your-will or contact our team by email (admin@communityspiritfoundation.org.au) or on 03 9686 4813.



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