

21 January 2019
Future Generation Investment Company

Dear FGX Fund Managers,

Due to your commitment to waive your usual management and performance fees, since 2014, over \$1m has been directed into assisting Lighthouse's young homeless people to re-start their lives from a secure home base, so they can complete their education, and re-connect with the community.

Independent research shows that over 80% of those who find a place at Lighthouse, never experience another night of homelessness once they have transitioned to independent living. Lighthouse's commitment to these young people extends into the years they live independently, and we 'have their back' in the future if a crisis hits and they once again need support. 200 children and young people have received support since the beginning of FGX's support for Lighthouse back in 2014.

- Hali's life as a young refugee spiraled into despair and homelessness. With a home at Lighthouse he was able to finish school and begin a new life. His plans didn't work out and we were able to bring him back into the program for another four months until he found his feet again. As the valued drummer in the Lighthouse band, he was immediately back 'on the sticks' as part of the ongoing music therapy program that operates across the FGX-supported cluster of homes.
- Fiona was 16 when she came into Lighthouse, attempting to get stability in her life after a period of street homelessness and couch surfing, with all the additional challenges of complex mental health needs. Her relationship with her Lighthouse carer became the one consistent thing in her life, and she was encouraged and supported to try, and try again, to stick at school. There have been many setbacks, and many fresh starts, but above all, knowing that someone believes in her is the thing that still keeps her going.
- A 16-year-old girl escaping an early and forced marriage found safety in one of the FGX-supported homes, and was delighted that girls her own age from a nearby school were willing to meet her regularly for conversational English and friendship. She was denied even basic education in her homeland because she was the eldest daughter, and expected to mind the younger children. She will be receiving intensive private tutoring in the year ahead. She played in the sea for the first time in her life this summer and found it exhilarating. She is now daring to dream of a new future, and is learning to swim.

This life changing work has been made possible by the commitment of FGX's Fund Managers to make a difference to Australia's most vulnerable children and youth. The significance of this contribution, and the positive outcomes, shows the power we have to achieve social change by working together.

With deep appreciation. (I actually wish I could give each one of you a giant hug of thanks).



Susan Barton AM
Founder



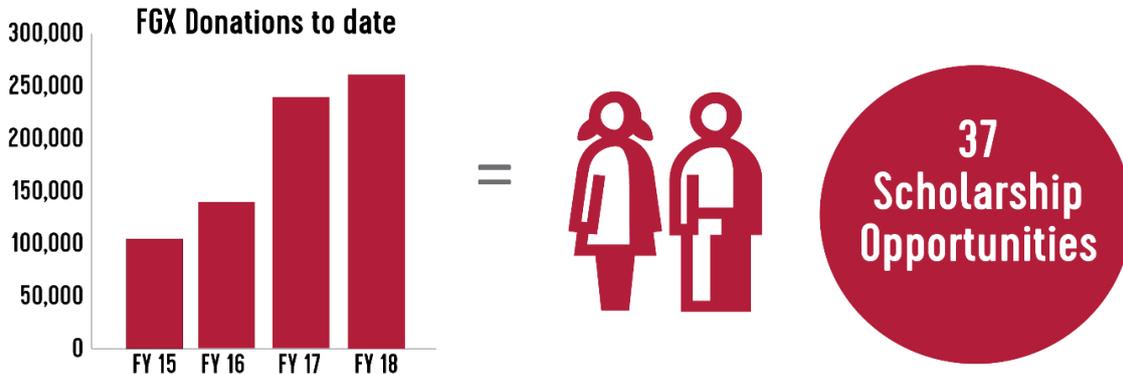
Ending youth homelessness together.



25 January 2019

Dear FGX Fund Managers

Thank you for your generous investment in the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation (AIEF) and our programs supporting young Indigenous people to build a brighter future for themselves and for the nation.



The first AIEF Scholarship was awarded in 2008. Since then our program has grown to offer around 500 scholarships secondary and tertiary scholarships each year to students from around 250 communities across every state and territory of Australia.

As AIEF celebrates 10 years of supporting Indigenous students, families and communities, we are proud to have been one of 14 Designated Charities named in the initial offer of FGX in 2014. The growth of the fund continues to have a great impact on our work.

Your investment has created additional scholarship opportunities for young Indigenous people eager to attend leading schools and universities, including support for their transition from school to careers.

Onyi, whose mother is from Mer Island in the Torres Strait, is one example of the outcomes achieved by our students and graduates, made possible by the support of partners and donors like FGX.

Onyi began boarding at Pymble Ladies' College on an AIEF Scholarship in Year 7. Now in Year 12, she was recently appointed the first Indigenous Head Prefect of the College for 2019. A role model for younger Indigenous students and her siblings, on completing school Onyi plans to study at university in the US and one day hopes to work for the UN.

AIEF is funding around one third of all scholarship places for Indigenous boarders through a program that consistently achieves a retention and completion rate of more than 90%. Your generous support and investment means we can support more young Indigenous Australians like Onyi to close the gap and be part of a generation of change. Thank you again for your generosity.

Yours sincerely



Andrew Penfold AM
Executive Director



21 January 2019

Dear FGX Fund Managers,

It has been another year where Mirabel children and young people have reaped the benefits of your generosity.

When a child has been orphaned or abandoned due to parental drug use, their emotional and practical needs can be both predictable and individual. Mirabel's Toddler to Teen Program, funded by FGX, allows us to address both the immediate and changing needs of a child, combined with plans for their future.

Zara was 9 when FGX first became involved with Mirabel. Having witnessed extreme violence and the subsequent death of her mother, Zara and her two younger siblings were placed in her grandmother's care. Zara had missed extensive periods in her schooling and was well behind her peers when she started at her new school. Her trauma and fear were expressed in the classroom by disruptive behaviours and an inability to form friendships.

After discussions with the school and an educational assessment, Mirabel organised a tutor to help Zara. It was quickly identified that Zara was struggling with her eyesight and that she desperately needed glasses. Within the next two years she slowly but surely started catching up with her peers. And as her confidence grew, her behaviour changed and she made friends. According to Zara, the first friends she had ever had.

Zara has been attending Mirabel activities and the Girls Therapeutic Groups for three years now. She has shared some of the trauma of her early years with other Mirabel children and the secrecy and shame no longer weighs so heavily on her. This year Zara will be graduating to the Mirabel Teens Group while her younger brothers will be joining the Mirabel Boys Therapeutic Group. Zara and her brothers confidently attended Mirabel camps last year, their first time away from their grandmother since their placement.

Zara's story is similar to the hundreds of children FGX has supported in recent years. Your investment of over \$630k has changed the lives of countless children and will continue to do so. Your donation in 2018 alone contributed to over 200 children attending Mirabel's therapeutic groups and improved educational outcomes for 185 children. Mirabel's 2018 data showed that 84% of young people were pursuing further education or were currently employed. Zara would undoubtedly have been alienated from school, dropped out of education and fallen into the cycle of unemployment and poverty had Mirabel not had the resources to intervene and advocate.

Mirabel continues to receive referrals of over seven new children a week and our commitment to never turn a child away is made possible due to the generosity of each and every one of you. Thank you for making such a significant contribution to our next generation. I can never express the depth of our gratitude – you make our work possible and are changing the future for these disadvantaged and vulnerable children. Together we can and will make a difference to every child who comes to Mirabel.

On behalf of everyone at Mirabel and all the Mirabel families, my heartfelt thanks.



Jane Rowe
Founder/CEO

Giant Steps Sydney Ltd



23 January 2018

Dear Fund Managers

We would like to take a moment to thank you for the tremendous support you have shown the students, staff and families at Giant Steps over the last 3 years. In 2018, FGX donated \$251,400 towards our Expressive Communication Project which is making a life changing difference in the lives of 108 children and young adults with Autism. Your support is assisting individuals, many of whom are nonverbal or have very limited language, to independently access a system to communicate their wants and needs, likes and dislikes and express how they feel! Thank you for your incredible generosity in waiving management and performance fees to make this possible. The impact is immense.

The students at Giant Steps are diagnosed with moderate to severe Autism and often have an intellectual disability, complex mental health issues and can display very challenging behaviours. Recently Dr. David Dossetor from The Children's Hospital at Westmead described Giant Steps as "World leaders in supporting a multidisciplinary educational approach to the most challenging young people with autism".

The 2018 donation from FGX has enabled Giant Steps to extend the Expressive Communication Project into our Community College for young adults with Autism and to our school in Melbourne. As a result of this project every student has made progress towards their key communication goals and one of the biggest gains is the reduction in self-harming behavior used by students to express frustration.

It is hard to put into words how much this support means to our students and their families.

"At 2 years old Tommy was severely anxious, non-verbal and with a range of challenging behaviours, separation from us was impossible. Every day was exhausting, watching Tommy struggle to cope with the world was devastating and his violent behaviour made accessing the community too difficult. We felt totally out of our depth and like we were failing him.



At 6 years old Tommy has developed expressive language and uses it functionally, is toilet trained and has developed skills that enable him to cope with new experiences. The support and strategies Giant Steps has given our family has alleviated countless stress and made a significant difference to our quality of life." Leanne (Mum to Tommy).

Please [click on this video link](#) to learn more about how FGX is helping children and young adults with autism achieve the impossible.

Thank you once again for your significant contribution.

Yours sincerely

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Dear FGX Fund Managers,

Thank you from the Australian Children's Music Foundation! Thank you, 722,849 times – because that's how many dollars the ACMF has received from FGX since its inception!

Through your generous work for FGX, you have brought not only music into the lives of disadvantaged children but also hope, joy, increased self-esteem and improved engagement with schooling. The ACMF has been able to employ seven specialist music teachers, working in twelve schools in Taree (NSW) and Sunshine (VIC) to deliver customised music lessons to around 1200 kids – teaching singing, guitar, ukulele, drums and a host of other instruments to kids who would otherwise have no opportunity to participate in music.



Our music programs target children from low socio-economic communities. 60% of these children are below average in literacy and/or numeracy, 41% display evidence of poor mental health, and 38% were regularly unable or unwilling to attend school.

Through the music programs that you have made possible, 55% of these kids are more likely to want to go to school, 79% have improved engagement, discipline and focus, and 80% show increased self-confidence, self-esteem and creativity. As a result of this, notable improvements have been made in other class subjects.



Kids at these schools love their music program – one child, PJ, struggles with academic subjects and often doesn't want to come to class. On a music day however, he catches the bus early to school so he can help set up the drums for the day's classes – and the boost in self-belief that he gets from music classes can carry through for days afterwards.

You are doing a truly wonderful thing through your support of FGX, and we are able to do wonderful work as a result of your valued support.

Thank you.



Don Spencer OAM
Founder and CEO

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23 January, 2019

Dear FGX Fund Members,

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to you for your continued support of United Way Australia. With your assistance, we are ensuring that children living in vulnerable communities throughout Australia are being given the chance to start school developmentally ready.

Our impact, thanks to FGX, has grown from supporting 300 children on the Dolly Parton Imagination Library to now supporting 1300 children. This means that 1300 children are connected - receiving monthly books, reading tips for the parents and the chance to connect with other services to support them. 1300 children and families know that there are people who care about them, and want them to succeed in life.

Many families who receive books from the Dolly Parton Imagination Library cannot afford to buy these books. Through this program, these children grow up with their own library at home and are inspired and encouraged to be imaginative and creative. The program also provides the opportunity for families to sit and read together, providing valuable memories that children will remember for their rest of their lives.

Many of the families we support speak English as their second language and the program allows them the chance to work on their English skills before they go to school. As one parent told us: "My boy was diagnosed with speech delay 'we're not native English speaker' and the books helped me so much focusing on English as a daily language, also rhyme and telling tales constantly in English which was so good for him ... now he is a chatter box."

The donations from FGX have generously increased from \$84,662 in 2014 to \$193,254 in 2018 and without your support, our impact in the communities in which we work would not have been possible.

On behalf of the communities we work with, thank you for your generous contribution.

Yours sincerely,

Clayton Noble
CEO, United Way Australia

1300 children	4 communities	Evidence
Reached through the program, receiving their very own books and early learning support	Supported: Mount Druitt, NSW; Doveton, VIC; Gippsland, VIC; Acacia Ridge, QLD	Since being on the program, 86% of parents say their children now ask them to read with them regularly

SUPPORTING CHILDREN TO READ, LEARN AND SUCCEED.

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- › Aboriginal Services
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- › Early Intervention Programs
- › Integration & Transition Programs

24 January 2019

Dear FGX Fund Managers,

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all FGX Fund Managers for their support. The \$241,548 FGX contribution to our Aboriginal Cultural Connections program has enabled us to do so many great things for our young people. I'd also like to acknowledge the donations from FGX shareholders as every cent helps improve outcomes for the young people we work with.

Last year, we were able to work with 304 young people in the Cultural Connections program. We took 46 young people on various cultural camps and worked with 23 young people intensively through a court support program among other activities.

The intensive support offered through the court support program was a true highlight of the year. The service worked closely with 23 young people, as part a program to stop the high rates of reoffending. It's my pleasure to report that the young people in the program had a 13% reoffending rate compared with 55% recidivism for the Juvenile Justice system at large.

This is a huge result. It means that only three clients re-offended. We've helped to unlock the potential of 20 young people and have put them on to a positive path in life. Don't think we've given up on the three reoffenders, we'll continue to work with them to overcome the issues they face. It's our belief that no child is born bad, there are only bad circumstances and we can work to turn their lives around.

The program is now in its fourth year and for that we are very thankful to FGX, the fund managers, and the shareholders. Due to the consistency of operation, our team has established positive working partnerships with government agencies that have previously been challenging to access: we now have strong relationships with Juvenile Justice NSW, NSW Police, and NSW Health.

Again, thank you to FGX fund managers and shareholders for everything you've contributed to Youth Off The Streets and we look forward to doing more great work in the years to come.

Yours Faithfully,

Father Chris Riley, CEO and Founder at Youth Off The Streets

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OUR MISSION

Helping disconnected young people to discover greatness within by engaging, supporting and providing opportunities to encourage and facilitate positive life choices.

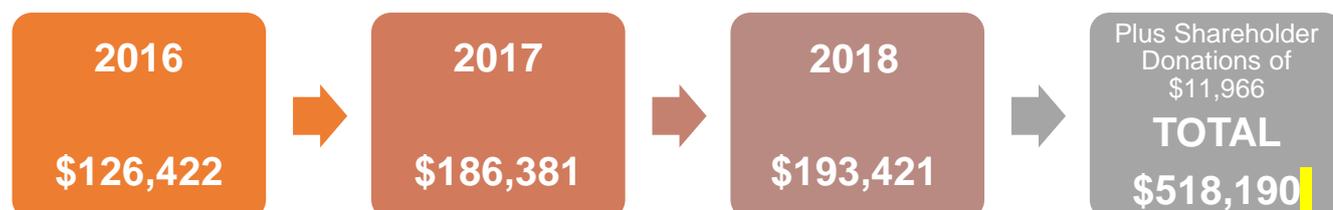
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OUR VALUES

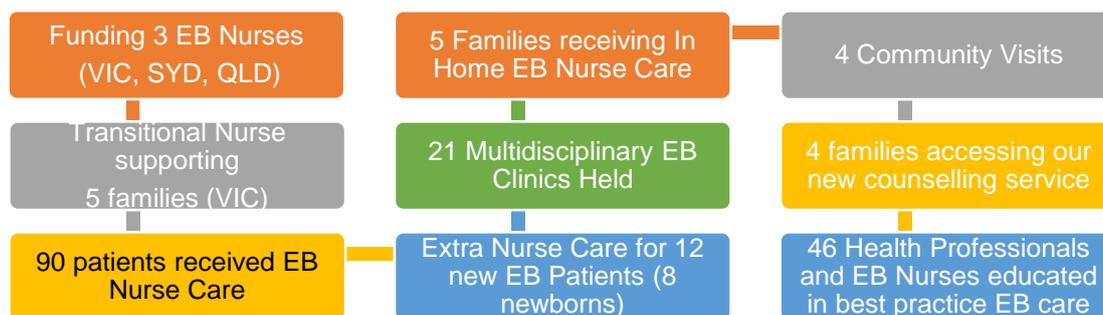
- › Passion
- › Respect
- › Integrity
- › Dedication
- › Engagement

Dear FGX Fund Managers,

Words cannot express the impact that you have made and the lives you have changed across Australia for those families living with Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB). With your ongoing generous support we have been able to deliver and expand our EB Nurse Program. Encompassing both In-Home Nurse Care and Hospital EB Nurse Care on a national basis, which is a critical resource to families living with the painful and debilitating skin blistering disease. In 2017 and 2018 DEBRA Australia's programs evolved with our first Transitional Nurse caring for young people with EB transitioning from children to adult services, as well as our new psychology pilot program being rolled out in NSW and VIC. The continued FGX funding will provide these critical services to families that are not provided by the government and in 2019 the programs to continue to evolve with an EB Youth Program being implemented.



Together this is the IMPACT we have made in 2018



Over the past 12 months 8 babies have been born with EB and all of the families are accessing the critical services provided by DEBRA Australia which would not be possible without your generous and ongoing support. We thank you on behalf of all our families for giving them hope in their journey with EB.

With Thanks
All the staff and Board
DEBRA Australia

"Alexis was diagnosed 1 week after birth with Recessive Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa (RDEB) which is one of the most severe types of EB.

Our EB nurse is just the best. Her help throughout our stay in hospital was amazing. The information provided and the dedication is unexplainable. Along with our EB Nurse, we could not have asked for a better team of Doctors and Health Professionals. The support provided is life changing and I love that DEBRA know our story, they know us, we are not just another family with EB to them – it's like we are part of a bigger family and community."

- Alarna Mum to Alexis 10 months

To the FGX Fund Managers,

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to helping us treat and prevent child abuse and neglect. For over thirty years we have provided vital services to children and families at risk with the goal of giving every child we see the opportunity to have a safe and happy childhood.

Since 2015 you have helped us provide vital therapy for over 460 children and families and grow our integrated therapy services nationally. This number will only continue to grow with the most recent 2018 donation from FGX. In the last three years, we have taken a strong strategic approach and conducted research to identify the highest areas of need across Australia. This is where we have invested your generous donations, provided intensive integrated therapy and opened new centres to expand our national reach.



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Your \$647,033 has been life-changing to children and families in Ipswich, Western Sydney, Broadmeadows and Adelaide. Whilst the impact has been immense for the families we've seen, sadly the problem of child abuse and neglect continues to grow, with waitlists across all of our centres.

Looking to the future, our strategic plan is to open additional integrated therapy centres across Australia. Our research has highlighted a gap in the area of treatment for children that have been abused and we believe our model of integrated therapy is the ideal solution.

2018 FGX Outcomes



Jack's Story

When 5-year-old Jack first came to Act for Kids, he was unable to make himself understood due to severe speech and language delays. Jack grew up in drug houses, where he was exposed to drug use, physically and emotionally abused and neglected by his mother. Jack was also dealing with a hearing loss that was left untreated due to neglect. Jack now lives with his father and grandmother.

Act for Kids provided intensive early intervention prior to Jack starting school to help him get ready to communicate in the classroom and with other kids. Our therapists encouraged Jack's family to support him through parent coaching and home programs. Now that Jack has started school, his sessions are school-based so that we can work with his teacher and teacher aide, providing strategies and a homework program to be implemented daily at school in order to maximise outcomes.

Due to the severity of his speech and language delays, Jack requires ongoing therapy so that he can learn to communicate his message in a meaningful way and be understood by others. Once this is achieved, it will help to alleviate his frustrations and the intense emotions that arise when he can't tell others what he wants or needs to be happy and safe.

We could never have achieved such an enormous impact and growth overall without the contributions from the Future Generation Investment Company. Children just like Jack will go on to have a safe and happy childhood because of you.

Dr Neil Carrington, CEO Act for Kids.

25 January 2019

Dear FGX Fund Manager

On behalf of **yourtown** and the young people you so generously help through Kids Helpline Circles we offer our sincere and heartfelt thanks.

Kids Helpline (KHL) is Australia's only free, confidential 24/7 online and phone counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25. Children at risk, particularly mental health remains the number one reason children and young people contact us every day. The need for our counsellors to initiate duty of care interventions to save young lives has increased by 40% since 2013.

FGX's ongoing funding of \$120,897 in 2016, \$192,992 in 2017, and \$203,182 in 2018 is making a significant difference to young people at risk. Created in partnership with FGX and The University of Sydney, KHL Circles provides a purpose built, private social networking platform that offers counsellor-led education modules for young people experiencing issues such as anxiety, depression and thoughts of suicide, in a peer to peer environment.

Last year, we exceeded our goal of offering support to 150 young people annually through KHL Circles, leading to increased access to the Kids Helpline service. KHL Circles recruited 386 (175% more than 2017) young people, of whom 101 (42% more than 2017) engaged in the online social network group counselling. Improved functionality and engagement has led to improved outcomes with 52% of KHL Circles participants reporting reduced depression, 43% reduced anxiety and 43% reduced stress (compared to 31% reporting improved anxiety or depression symptoms in 2017). Next year we plan to expand the service to more youth at risk, targeting those who may, for example, experience substance abuse or eating disorders.

We have learnt much about the impact KHL Circles has on the wellbeing of young people and are sharing this across communities in Australia and internationally. In 2018, **yourtown** hosted FGX/FGG CEO Louise Walsh and special guests at a Boardroom lunch for an in-depth look at KHL Circles and its impact to date. The University of Sydney's Dr Andrew Campbell presented at the CyPsy 24 Conference in Quebec, Canada in June 2018, and the Australian Psychological Congress in Sydney in September with a number of organisations expressing significant interest in KHL Circles' model of support. Drs Brad Ridout and Andrew Campbell published 'The Use of Social Networking Sites in Mental Health Intervention for Young People: Systematic Review in the Journal of Medical Internet Research (<https://www.jmir.org/2018/12/e12244>). This paper establishes the need for the Circles intervention and that it is a unique approach to supporting at risk groups.

The support of FGX is making a major difference in the lives of not only young people using the innovative and unique KHL Circles platform today, but also many more young people at risk that will in the future access KHL Circles and programs it will spearhead internationally.

Thank you again for your generosity and the critical role you play in supporting the wellbeing of young people. Together we are making a difference.

Yours sincerely



TRACEY GILLINDER
Head of Marketing and Fundraising

*name changed for privacy

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

Dear Fund Managers,

The Diabetes Kids Fund team would like to express its sincere gratitude to FGX for the generous and committed support it continues to provide as we strive to make life easier and more fulfilling for children living with type-1 diabetes, their families and carers across NSW and ACT.

Our innovative and accessible training programs break down the self-management process, normalising it for children, teachers and carers, and our fun-filled education events help to build the support networks that combat the social isolation so often caused by the condition. Every Diabetes Kids Fund delivery takes us closer to achieving our overarching aim of ensuring that children with diabetes live safer, healthier and happier lives!

Over the past four years, our partnership has grown significantly, enabling the Diabetes Kids Fund to grow its reach while continuing to support existing members. Total support over the four year period exceeds \$550,000; growing from \$76,560 in 2016, to \$114,059 in 2017, to \$167,223 in 2018, through to \$197,381 for the upcoming year.

In 2018, this generous support enabled the Diabetes Kids Fund to deliver training events for over 400 teachers and carers, and to distribute 2,500 information resource packs that make self-management less of a daunting prospect for children.

The outstanding highlight of 2018 was the Federal Government's decision to fund our innovative and much needed teacher training seminar program that had been piloted thanks to FGX support a year before. This is a great recognition of FGX's willingness to support change! A testimony from Kirsty, mother of 9-year-old Molly whose world turned upside by a type-1 diabetes diagnosis, pays tribute to the importance of this type of Diabetes Kids Fund work:

- 'Diabetes NSW&ACT have been there for us from the start. They are just a phone call away and the educational programs, Diabuddies days and support networks they've provided not only for us, but for Molly's teachers and carers have certainly changed our lives for the better!'

As our partnership builds into its fourth year, the 2019 grant will fund a program that truly befits the scale and uniqueness of this funding partnership. We plan to establish FGX as the primary funder of the Diabetes Kids Fund's expansion into Queensland by using the grant to introduce the Diabuddies Day concept to this area.

We would like to thank FGX once again for its generosity in helping us tackle Australia's fasting growing health condition, and to celebrate the continuation of our partnership as we broaden our reach, improve our productivity and increase the number of lives that we positively effect on a daily basis.

Yours sincerely,



Sturt Eastwood
CEO – Diabetes NSW & ACT



YOUTH FOCUS PROVIDED SUPPORT TO
3.678
YOUNG PEOPLE IN 2017-18

Dear Fund Managers

On behalf of all the Board, staff and young people we support, we would like to extend our gratitude for your contribution to the success of the Future Generation Fund. Your generous decision to waive management and performance fees has enabled substantial funding to be donated to Youth Focus, which has had a profound impact on the lives of young people dealing with mental health issues, their families and the wider community.

Tragically, suicide is the leading cause of death for young people aged 12 to 25. At least one young person is lost to suicide each week in Western Australia.

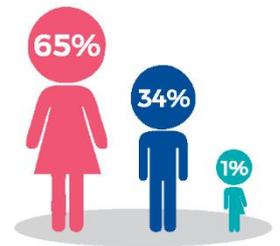
Now in its 25th year, Youth Focus is a leading for-purpose organisation that delivers innovative and accessible mental health services and programs across Western Australia to help at-risk young people aged 12 to 25 lead full and healthy lives.

Since 2015, Future Generations Investment Company has donated \$588,343.66 to support Youth Focus. In the last financial year, the donation of \$198,284.66 enabled Youth Focus to deliver 6,866 potentially life-saving counselling sessions to young people with mental illness. The annual funding supports the provision of 1.5 full time equivalent counsellors, who will support more than 113 young people on their journey to recovery.

Thank you for helping to create brighter futures for young Western Australians.

Yours sincerely

Raj Thethy
Acting Chief Executive Officer



WEEKS AVERAGE IN COUNSELLING

BREE-ANNA'S STORY

Youth Focus wasn't just an organisation to me, it was a lifeline. It was my last hope before I was fully consumed by the darkness in my mind that had been haunting me since I was a child.

My first appointment with Youth Focus was in 2014. I was 15 years old and having strong feelings to want to end my life. Up until that first appointment, my life was a roller-coaster ride. When I was younger, I lost my older brother in a drowning accident. My family fell apart after this. I grew up very isolated and started to take drugs, drink and self-harm to try to stop all the intrusive thoughts going through my mind. A school counsellor noticed that I was struggling and referred me to Youth Focus.

My counsellor Bec was incredible. I can't describe it, but I knew after that appointment that she was someone I could trust. She never made me feel like I was on a time limit or that I had to share anything with her, she just made me feel safe and comfortable at every appointment which I was so grateful for.

I walked into my first appointment at 15 and walked out of my last appointment at 18. My journey with this organisation was long and hard, but I am so grateful I pushed through it, I am definitely a stronger person because of Youth Focus and I can't thank them enough.



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January 2019

Dear FGX Fund Managers

On behalf of Variety – the Children’s Charity NSW/ACT, I would like to say a huge thank you for giving Aussie kids a fair go. Your generosity donating management and performance fees means we can provide practical support to kids who are sick, disadvantaged or living with a disability. Since this initiative started, you have contributed to a staggering \$574,416 being raised for Variety which is so greatly appreciated.

In 2018 alone, \$196,072 was donated which contributed to funding our Variety Just Like You Program. This program is a disability education awareness program for primary school students which helps kids learn that people with disabilities are the same as everyone else, they are “just like you”. It’s conducted through interactive and compelling workshops which aim to teach kids the importance of inclusion. It has previously been delivered in metropolitan Sydney however last year the program expanded to Newcastle, Central Coast and ACT thanks to the additional funding. This has meant that over 16,332 kids have participated in the program last year which we are excited to advise is more than 2,100 students than was forecast.

Katerina, a student from Holy Family Catholic Primary School in Menai, participated in the workshops. “We learnt all about different disabilities and what it is like to have them. We learnt about personal experiences and the medical terms for disabilities. But the most important thing we learnt is that people with disabilities are just like you and I. They got us involved and excited as this experience was eye opening, yet fun.”

Bullying is a huge problem in schools and unfortunately particularly for kids with disabilities. The Variety Just Like You program is teaching kids empathy, understanding and inclusion which in turn will reduce bullying and create a more inclusive, happier environment for all kids and their families.

We aim to continue delivering this program in 2019 with almost 3,500 students already booked in. The Variety Just Like You program is an important part of the services Variety offers and with no government funding, every dollar counts towards ensuring we reach more schools and more kids to make this world a better place.

Thank you once again for your generosity and helping us support Aussie kids in need.

Kind regards

David Sexton
CEO
Variety – the Children’s Charity NSW/ACT



20 January 2019

To FGX Fund Managers - How you are impacting youth wellbeing by scaling youth mentoring

At the end of our best practice, one-to-one youth mentoring programs in high schools, we host a graduation celebration where our Mentors and Mentees describe what they have learned from each other.

At one of those graduations in 2018, I was struck by the words of one of our Mentees who said, “since mentoring I have smiled more often... I remember what my Mentor told me to do when I’m sad which made me re-think my negative thoughts. That helped me improve my mindset a lot.” This demonstrates how our program builds resilience and inspires young people to overcome challenges and find hope for their future. In a country where more young people die by suicide than by any other cause, that matters.

Another Mentee said “mentoring helped my self-confidence and helped my stability in school. I’m more motivated and my mentor helped me share things that I have never talked about”. We know that school engagement and attendance results in higher school completion rates, and leads to employability and greater wellbeing. Our young people flourish when they have someone trusted to talk to who helps them survive adolescence, finish school and live a happier life. Raise Mentors make a real impact.

With your remarkable support, the FGX funding of \$197k in 2018 has enabled our Ismo program (In School Mentoring Opportunity) to be offered in 77 high schools nationally. We were able to accept 13 high schools off our waitlist, directly enabling 197 accredited mentors to support 197 young people in so many ways. Over many years, the FGX funding has provided stability in our planning so that we could take 40 schools off our waitlist and provide evidence based mentoring programs for 599 struggling young Australians.

Year	Donation Amount	Total Matches this year	Schools off Waitlist	Additional Mentors	Additional Mentees
2015	\$88,000.00	619	6	88	88
2016	\$116,351.65	726	8	116	116
2017	\$197,827.43	976	13	198	198
2018	\$197,065.39	1016	13	197	197
TOTAL	\$599,244.47	3,337	40	599	599

You are making an extraordinary impact on the life of a young person by providing them with a Raise Mentor, and we cannot begin to explain the depth of our gratitude to you.

Yours sincerely
Raise Foundation



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