



COMMUNITY FIRST
DEVELOPMENT



A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

WILL HELP MAKE DREAMS COME TRUE





YOU DON'T NEED TO BE WEALTHY
TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

YOUR KINDNESS TODAY WILL BRING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLE.

You don't need to be wealthy to make a big difference to someone's life.

A gift to Community First Development in your Will, no matter what size, will help transform lives and make dreams come true for generations to come.

Everyone wants the same things in life: we want to be healthy and happy, to get a good education and a good job, to contribute positively to our family and community – to have the same opportunities to reach our potential.

Indigenous people are incredibly resilient and resourceful, but sometimes lack the know-how to turn their ideas into reality. They come to Community First Development asking for practical support, and we connect them with skilled and experienced volunteers who live and work alongside them, helping them build a brighter future.

Including a gift to Community First Development in your Will is without doubt the most personal way of continuing your commitment to helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Readers are advised that this document may contain images and names of people who have passed away.

GIVING INDIGENOUS PEOPLE A FAIR GO

“Reconciliation is not a black and white issue, it’s a human issue. Why should our babies die at a greater rate, why should there be so much homelessness, youth suicide and incarceration? This is about our humanity, and we should all have the same opportunities.”

Stephanie Harvey, Bidjara woman and mother from Queensland, and CEO of Community First Development.

Australia is the lucky county - but not for all of us. If you are one of Australia’s Indigenous people you may not have the same access to health care, welfare, employment or education opportunities.

Conditions in some Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities are far below those enjoyed by most other Australians.

Like you, Community First Development believes in the ability of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to find local solutions to local problems. We provide the opportunity, respect and practical support they need to make it happen. It’s reconciliation in action.



HELP BUILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR ALL AUSTRALIANS.



“WE ARE JUST PASSING THROUGH. OUR PURPOSE HERE IS TO OBSERVE, TO LEARN, TO GROW, TO LOVE... AND THEN WE RETURN HOME.”
ABORIGINAL PROVERB

“My mother battled most of her life against the ill treatment and discrimination of Indigenous Australians. When she died aged 99, in her loving memory I included a bequest to Community First Development in my Will.

It feels good and I would urge everyone to consider helping Community First Development continue its amazingly beneficial work in restoring dignity and hope to Aboriginal people, by including a gift to Community First Development in your Will”

*Community First Development Supporter
Katherine.*



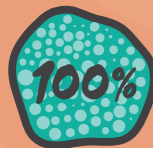
WORKING TOGETHER SIDE-BY-SIDE

When an idea is driven by a community, it has a much better chance of success. It's why Community First Development's practical support to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is unique, and why it is so effective.



BY INVITATION ONLY

We do things with Indigenous people, not to or for them. Communities invite us to assist them achieve their own goals.



100% COMMUNITY DRIVEN

Projects are 100% community driven. We give people control of development decisions and we respect local knowledge.



PRACTICAL SUPPORT

Our national network of skilled volunteers provide practical support where skills and resources are limited.



WESTERN SYDNEY, NSW



Community First Development working together with Ngroo Education in Western Sydney to improve the participation of Aboriginal children in mainstream early childhood education.



KURRAWANG, WA

Restoring rundown houses in Kurrawang WA will create an additional source of income and new homes to live in.

100%
COMMUNITY DRIVEN



SUNSHINE COAST, QLD

Murri's on the Move Driving School supporting people in QLD to gain independence and improve employment opportunities through driver training.



EVEN A SMALL GIFT

CAN MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

HOW TO INCLUDE A GIFT TO COMMUNITY FIRST DEVELOPMENT IN YOUR WILL

There are many ways to leave a gift (bequest) in your Will. Three of the easiest are:

- 1 A percentage. This is often regarded as the most flexible way to give as you don't have to adjust the value of your gifts to account for inflation, or changes to your total assets
- 2 The residue. This is a gift of whatever is left in your estate, after you have taken care of your loved ones.
- 3 Fixed amount. Leaving a specific sum – this type of bequest may need to be changed over the years to account for inflation and changes to your circumstances

SUGGESTED WORDING

If you are planning to remember Community First Development in your Will, it is important you use our full registered name: Community First Development. You or your solicitor may also like to include the following wording:

“I give Community First Development (ABN 90 093 123 418) (__% of my estate, or the sum of \$__, or the rest and residue of my estate) to be used by Community First Development for such of its purposes as the Board of Community First Development may decide and I declare that the receipt of the treasurer or other authorised person of Community First Development shall be sufficient discharge to my executors.”

MAKE YOUR WISHES COUNT

Your assets, large or small, represent a lifetime of work and achievement. Having an up to date Will is the only legal way of ensuring that your personal belongings and assets go to the people and charities you care about.

After taking care of your loved ones, if helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is important to you, please consider including a gift to Community First Development in your Will. This unique way of making a lasting difference to people's lives is a wonderful legacy to future generations.

Your Will is an important legal document. To ensure that it meets your wishes, it is always advisable to seek professional advice. Your solicitor, local Public Trustee or Law Society may also offer direction and assistance.

ALL AUSTRALIANS DESERVE THE
SAME OPPORTUNITIES





THANK YOU

A gift to Community First Development in your Will – no matter what size – will help ensure Community First Development supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for generations to come.

We would welcome the opportunity to thank you for your generosity, and to share inspiring stories from Indigenous communities with you. If you decide to include a gift to Community First Development in your Will, please consider letting us know.

Community First Development is a registered charity and non-profit organisation. We rely on the generosity of the Australian public to fund our work. People who share our vision. People just like you. That's why including a gift to Community First Development in your Will can make such a difference.

A GIFT TO COMMUNITY FIRST DEVELOPMENT IN YOUR WILL
CAN MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE!!



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