

A FEW GOOD NEWS STORIES

Your funds in action... Real help for real people...

In the first seven years of its operation (2015 - 2022) the total ACF funds given in support to local people in need was an astounding

\$818,813

In 2021/22 alone, ACF provided \$157,907 in support for 146 individuals/families. This is in addition to the 145 kids supported through our 2022 school's project (with funding totalling \$11,975).

This is real help, reaching real people, in the most efficient manner possible.

Here are just a few examples of the support we have been able to provide recently

• ACF purchased a fridge for a single mum with 3 kids. The applicants' old fridge stopped working and they were keeping food fresh by buying ice and packing food in freezer bags on the kitchen bench. The applicant was also in recovery from breast cancer. As a community, it is hard to be exposed to stories like this, but the more work we do in this space, the more we learn stories like this are not uncommon.

- Financial assistance for a single mum with three children, all of whom are living with complex needs, to modify her vehicle to cater for her family's specific and challenging transport needs.
- Assisted an elderly gentleman with relocation costs from Albany to Perth. The applicant faced complex challenges including ongoing struggles with mental health, anxiety and depression and several other medical conditions. Couple this with insecure housing and no family support in Albany it was an easy approval for ACF to assist with relocation to enable permanency in housing and being closer to family.
- There have been several applicants the ACF has assisted with basic furniture where they have transitioned from sleeping rough or in insecure housing and been offered accommodation through the Department of Housing. It is great to see vulnerable members of our community coming off the priority wait list for housing and being able to partner in the process to provide some basic necessities in life.
- Financial assistance to pay for transport for a vulnerable young person to attend medical follow-ups after a hospital procedure. Supported by AYSA.
- Crisis support for a young person experiencing homelessness to travel to Perth to stay with family. Supported by AYSA.
- Financial assistance for a vulnerable young person with a disability and ongoing mental health issues, to purchase garden maintenance tools to ensure upkeep of new home from the Department of Communities.

Thank you to all our donors and supporters for allowing us to fill these gaps.

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