

THE JACK BROCKHOFF FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT

1979
2019

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF SERVICE
TO THE VICTORIAN COMMUNITY

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BROCKHOFF'S BISCUITS



The Board of The Jack Brockhoff Foundation are very conscious of their heritage and would like to thank the organisations who have received grant funding for the positive impact they have achieved within the communities they support. We also wish to recognise the individuals whose research grants and travelling scholarships funded by The Jack Brockhoff Foundation have enabled them to achieve career excellence within the institutions they serve. These reports and stories are reflected in this special edition of the 40th Anniversary Report.





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ABOUT OUR FOUNDER AND THE FOUNDATION

Sir Jack Brockhoff (1908-1984) was Chairman and Managing Director of Brockhoff Biscuits Pty Ltd, a business established by his grandfather in 1880. The business became part of Arnott-Brockhoff-Guest Pty Ltd which was later known as Arnott's Biscuits Ltd. Brockhoff's and Arnott's were both iconic Australian biscuit brands.

SIR JACK BROCKHOFF

Throughout his life, Sir Jack was very interested in assisting other Victorians, especially those who were disadvantaged. In older age he would remember his mother "borrowing" the company's delivery vans and drivers to take children on picnics, especially those from the forerunner of Yooralla. Prior to establishing the Foundation in 1979, Sir Jack supported several children's charities for many years. He received his knighthood in the 1979 Queen's Birthday Honours List.

The Jack Brockhoff Foundation's areas of charitable interest have always focused on the founder's desire to support disadvantaged children and youth, the aged, and the greater Victorian community. The medical research field became a special interest.

Fortunately for the Foundation, Sir Jack was an astute share market investor as well as a successful businessman. His success enabled him to become one of Australia's most significant philanthropists. This has been for the benefit and wellbeing of Victorians through the Foundation's grant making.

THE FOUNDATION'S PURPOSE

The purpose of The Jack Brockhoff Foundation is to provide philanthropic support to organisations whose activities and programs are designed to have a positive and enduring impact on the health and wellbeing of the communities they serve, for the people of Victoria.

THE FOUNDATION'S FOCUS

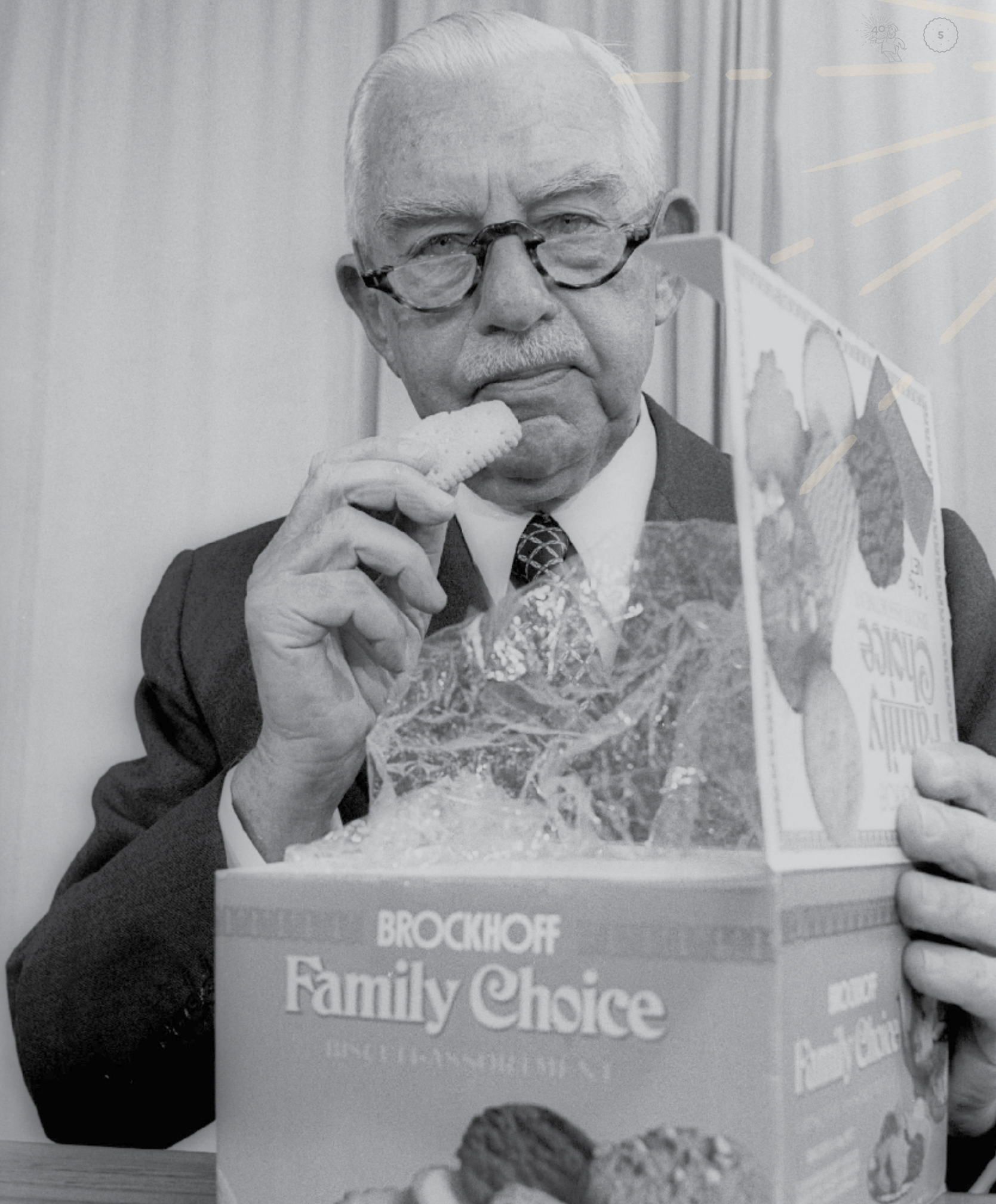
The focus of the Foundation's grant making includes the following areas of charitable interest: children and youth; older Victorians; people with disabilities, and medical research. We seek to support smaller, grassroots community organisations, particularly those who struggle to secure government support. The Foundation's Board of Directors are aware that small grants can be as beneficial as larger investments and that collaborative funding with other similarly focused grant makers is a viable way of increasing grantees' outcomes and sustainability.

BOARD HISTORY

The Jack Brockhoff Foundation Board was inaugurated in 1979, with Sir Jack serving as the first Chairman. The inaugural Board Directors were Sir Henry Bolte, Sir Ernest Coates, George Crowther and Robert Symons who has diligently served on the Board from its inception, taking the role of Chair in 2005. When Dr James Guest joined the Board shortly after inception he built the Foundation's medical research grants program.

The Foundation's corpus was established with Sir Jack's initial gift of securities and cash to the value of \$4.8 million, which was a substantial endowment in 2005. The first grant made was to the Royal Children's Hospital, and as a \$20,000 gift it was a large contribution to the hospital.

Sir Jack was emphatic that his eponymous foundation would embody "...an unusual concept in that its support would not be confined to one particular charitable activity but would cover a broad range of charities under four headings: disadvantaged children; medical research; general community welfare and aged and elderly citizens." He is quoted as saying that he was "...prepared to assist a wide range of charitable organisations particularly smaller ones which do not have access to widespread publicity."



BROCKHOFF
Family Choice

BISCUIT ASSORTIMENT

BROCKHOFF
Family Choice

OUR BOARD AND FOUNDATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



MR ROBERT SYMONS

Appointed in **1979**

Chairman from **2005**

40 YRS of service



PROFESSOR JAMES ANGUS AO

Appointed in **2015**

4 YRS of service



MR MARTIN ARMSTRONG

Appointed in **1985**

34 YRS of service



MR DOUG BARTLEY

Appointed in **2010** as Company Secretary

9 YRS of service



MS SARAH BROCKHOFF

Appointed in **2018**



MS ANDREA COOTE

Appointed in **2015**

4 YRS of service



PROFESSOR DAVID HILL AO

Appointed in **2010**

9 YRS of service

FOUNDATION STAFF



**MRS MAUREEN
LYSTER**

Appointed in
2003

16 YRS
of service



**DR ROBIN
MARKS AM**

Appointed in
2003

16 YRS
of service



**DR KAY
PATTERSON AO**

Appointed in
2008

11 YRS
of service



ANITA HOPKINS
Executive Officer



GILLIAN HUND
Foundation Officer



WENDY MARRIS
Accountant

RECENTLY RETIRED

Mr John Brockhoff, served from 1990 to 2018 (28 years)
Professor John Royle OAM, served from 1998 to 2018 (20 years).

PAST DIRECTORS

Sir Jack Brockhoff (1979 – 1984), Sir Henry Bolte GCMG (1979 – 1990), Sir Ernest Coates CMG (1979 – 1990), George Crowther MBE (1979 – 1990), Dr James Guest AM, OBE, VRD (1979 – 2008), Leslie Sutherland (1980 – 2001), Bennie Bodna AM (1989 – 2008), Dame Margaret Guilfoyle AC, DBE, (1990 – 2008), Henry Barass (1990 – 1996), Arthur Gayleard (1992 – 1996) and Geoffrey Heeley (1996 – 2007).

PAST FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Mr Leslie Sutherland (1979 – 1989), Mr Arthur Gayleard (1989 – 1996), Mr Kempson Mayberry (1996 – 2007), Ms Jan Robins (2007 – 2011), Ms Tanya Costello (2011 – 2016).



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

40 YEARS OF GIVING

More than 40 years ago Jack Brockhoff, retired biscuit company managing director and life-long supporter of those less fortunate than himself, decided that he wanted to give away most of his fortune to benefit the Victorian community. He planned to do this in stages, with approximately half of his estate donated immediately through a new foundation and the balance to be given to the foundation as a bequest.

With help from his advisers, The Jack Brockhoff Foundation was established as a Public Ancillary Fund, endowed by Sir Jack's initial gift of \$4.8 million which was later augmented by \$6.8 million from his estate, a gift of \$2 million from the estate of Agnes Robertson and small donations from members of the public.

The corpus of the Foundation was at 30 June 2019 valued at approximately \$57 million. Our 40 years of grant making has resulted in more than \$95 million being donated to eligible Victorian organisations.

As the longest serving Board member and Chairman for the past fourteen years, I have had the unique opportunity to follow in Sir Jack's footsteps. My history began as one of his legal advisors assisting him to establish the Foundation as the vehicle for his philanthropy. Throughout the years I have been privileged to watch organisations we have funded and individuals they have sponsored with our grants, grow in community impact. Sir Jack's notable foresight and remarkable legacy to Victorians stand in contrast to his self-effacing modesty. I am sure he would be very proud of what has been achieved in his name.

The inaugural Foundation Board (Sir Jack, Sir Henry Bolte, Sir Ernest Coates, my senior legal partner George Crowther, and me), had to learn some skills of philanthropic giving simply by doing. There were no defined careers in philanthropy in those days, and no-one to help us with our new role. But we quickly found our feet with the benefit of field-work done by Sir Jack and the Foundation's secretary (later also a Director) Les Sutherland. Les had recently retired as Secretary of Brockhoff's Biscuits and was Sir Jack's comrade in business. Les established an office for the Foundation in his garage at home in Blackburn. In the early years Lady Brockhoff (Sir Jack's loving and supportive partner in old age after his many decades of spartan bachelor life) assisted Sir Jack and Les as they visited many aspiring beneficiaries. Dr James Guest was recruited early on to establish the Foundation's fine tradition of philanthropic support for medical research which he nurtured, along with more recently appointed directors, almost to the date of his death at the grand age of 98 years.

As an interesting aside, Sir Jack was introduced (in hospital, during his last illness) to Professor David Danks, a notable birth defects researcher at the Royal Children's Hospital. Professor Danks so inspired Sir Jack and the Foundation board with his own vision of the importance for the community of medical research into birth defects that the Foundation both became one of the largest early supporters of the Murdoch Children's Research Institute, of which Professor Danks was the first Director, and was confirmed in its commitment to supporting medical research and other activities directed at the health and wellbeing of children and young people.

The intervening years have seen significant changes and developments in the world of philanthropy and in the community of potential grantees. It is a continual challenge for the Foundation to optimise its relevance to the ever-changing community it seeks to support and to remain true to a contemporary interpretation of Sir Jack's vision for his Foundation.

Sir Jack was a no-nonsense man who was determined to see that the grants the Foundation made were targeted to extract the maximum value for Victorians. Over the years we have sought to staff the Foundation's Board and administration with people who share Sir Jack's vision and who are effective in their roles. The present Board and staff exhibit the qualities Sir Jack desired. The Board committees which consider grant applications are notable for their experience as community leaders and for their expertise and diligent application to their task. We are very fortunate in our expert and capable Executive Officer Anita Hopkins.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all our past and current Directors and to our Executive Officer and staff, who have ensured that the Foundation's charitable funding and administration have always been in very capable hands. It is my belief that the proof of our success is in the outcomes of the Foundation's work.

This year we have the pleasure of welcoming another member of the Brockhoff family to the Board, Ms Sarah Brockhoff who has replaced her brother John on his retirement. Sarah is the niece of Sir Jack and is experienced in philanthropic giving. We are delighted that she is continuing the family's tradition of involvement with the Foundation.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve for so many years on the Board of this socially relevant foundation with such a fine community of fellow directors and staff. May the next forty years of the Foundation be as true to the founder's vision and as valuable to the Victorian community as the first forty years clearly have been.

- ROBERT SYMONS



EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

It's not often you have the opportunity to consider an organisation's 40-year contribution to the community, or to consider how it might change again over the next 40 years. The last twelve months have provided myself and the Board with this opportunity to look back and forward, ensuring our decision-making is informed by contemporary philanthropic thinking and approaches.

The 2018/19 Financial year has provided many highlights. The opportunity for the Board and myself to work with Social Ventures Australia on a strategic review of our grant areas was enormously valuable. While the program will continue to evolve over time, the current framework is a clear starting point for the Foundation heading into the next 40 years. The ongoing work with the Philanthropic Impact Pioneers Program at the Melbourne Business School will help to ensure that we also have a way of measuring the impact through this new framework.

In May 2019, I had the wonderful opportunity to attend the European Foundation Centre conference which brings together philanthropists and philanthrocrats from across Europe. While the discussions concerning grant making models and processes were very similar to those that take place in the Australian sector, some areas were particularly interesting and relevant to the work we do at Brockhoff. The current threats to civil society was a common theme with participants asking how philanthropy can make more space for civil society, particularly in terms of ensuring marginalised voices and 'truths' are heard.

Another key theme was that of Participatory Grant Making, where experienced grantees provide their insights and work alongside the funding body. This initiative is already substantially established in Europe, particularly in the UK.

The key point about this form of grant making is that it is not solely about more effective grant making, but rather demonstrates a paradigm shift in how philanthropy works with grantees as agents of change, rather than simply as beneficiaries of aid. This aligned very strongly with the work of many Foundations to ensure that the lived experience of beneficiaries were key to informing their decision making. This work has developed from the notion that true social leadership often comes from those with lived experience in their communities.

I would like to express my gratitude to the Board for having the foresight to provide me with this international learning experience.

As we are so connected to global communities today, being aware of 'best practice' and current grantmaking trends, will enhance our work for Victorian organisations and the communities they serve.

Two examples of innovative community organisations are HoMie and SisterWorks. HoMie is a youth employment social enterprise offering retail training and an education program for young people (18-25 years) affected by homelessness or hardship. SisterWorks, also a social enterprise, provides support for women who are refugees, asylum seekers or migrants to improve their confidence, mental wellbeing and sense of belonging through the development of work and entrepreneurship skills. To date, SisterWorks have supported more than 492 women from 56 different countries.

It is a real privilege to be able to support these organisations and to build evidence for action. The success of HoMie and SisterWorks demonstrates how strategic support enhances the capacity of an organisation to benefit and empower a greater number of people.

It has also been a privilege to work alongside the Brockhoff staff team, Wendy and Gillian, who have provided considered and thoughtful counsel throughout the year, the dedicated Brockhoff Board, and our esteemed Chairman, Robert Symons, who has made such a consistent contribution to the philanthropic sector through his 40 years of service.

Overall the year has been one of reflection, looking back on what has been learnt over the Foundation's 40 years of grantmaking, and looking forward, with the help of others, to how we can achieve an even greater impact over the next 40 years.

- ANITA HOPKINS

FOUNDATION TIMELINE HIGHLIGHTS

Establishment of The Jack Brockhoff Foundation, with a **\$4.8M donation**.

Sir Jack received The Australian Institute of Fundraising Award for 'Outstanding Services to Philanthropy'.

Sir Jack Brockhoff **\$5.7M bequest** to the Foundation.

\$400,000 grant to Brockhoff Reconstructive Plastic Surgery Unit at the University of Melbourne and the Royal Melbourne Hospital.

\$60,000 grant to establish the first fully integrated early intervention child care centre in Australia for bestchance Family Care (formerly the Child and Family Network and prior to that the Burwood Boys Home).

\$345,000 grant to establish The James Guest Memorial Jack Brockhoff Foundation Medical Scholarship at Trinity College, University of Melbourne.

Strategic Review of JBF Grants Program strengthened focus on **key areas** of youth homelessness, disability employment and small grass roots organisations.

PRIOR TO
1979

Sir Jack gifts **initial \$10,000** to Sandringham Youth Club. Further Foundation grants were made to this organisation between 1980-1990.

1979

1979

First Foundation **grant \$20,000** to Royal Children's Hospital.

1981

1984 – 1985

Grants of \$1.6M to the Royal Children's Hospital Birth Defects Research Institute (renamed Murdoch Children's Research Institute).

1985

1995

Jack Brockhoff Foundation Victorian Fellowships, The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust established. More than 30 fellowships (to the value of **more than \$560,000**) have since been awarded.

1999 – 2001

2002

\$32,000 grant to Fareshare (formerly One Umbrella) to purchase first refrigerated van.

2006

2008

Centenary Grant **\$5M over 10 years**, to establish The Jack Brockhoff Child Health and Wellbeing Program at the University of Melbourne.

2016

2017

\$95,000 grant to the Lighthouse Foundation for Mothers and Babies Unit.

2018

40 YEARS OF IMPACT:

REFLECTIONS FROM THREE PAST GRANTEE ORGANISATIONS

THE LIGHTHOUSE FOUNDATION



Susan Barton AM, The Lighthouse Foundation had the following reminiscence about the early days of support from The Jack Brockhoff Foundation.

"We couldn't have grown without the support of The Jack Brockhoff Foundation. For over twenty years, they made sure we had a series of important projects funded, and we worked in a committed partnership together to help the increasing numbers of homeless young people. These grants have included redevelopments at our Lighthouse Homes in Frankston and Cheltenham in 2002-2003, and the establishment of an indigenous-focused home in 2005."

**Susan Barton AM, Founder,
The Lighthouse Foundation**

ARTS PROJECT AUSTRALIA



In 2003, Arts Project Australia purchased premises in Northcote, which was an old shoe factory. This was made possible by generous donations from a number of charitable foundations including The Jack Brockhoff Foundation.

"We were able to renovate the space to have a light filled studio upstairs, with a versatile gallery space and stockroom below. Currently we have around 120 artists with intellectual disabilities attending studio programs each week and we host nine eclectic exhibitions each year."

"Owning this building outright, has enabled us to pursue our mission of becoming a Centre of Excellence that supports artists with intellectual disabilities, promoting their work and advocating for their inclusion within contemporary art practice."

**Sue Roff, Executive Director,
Arts Project Australia**

THE SACRED HEART MISSION



"The Jack Brockhoff Foundation is a stand-out supporter of Sacred Heart Mission's work going back to the late 1990s: a steadfast and reliable friend that ensures immediate help is available for people when they need it, and opening doors to longer-term support that changes lives. At the Mission, The Jack Brockhoff Foundation has made a huge difference for thousands of people experiencing homelessness – from providing a welcome, a hearty meal and practical assistance to empowering people to secure a home, better health and wellbeing, self-reliance and social inclusion."

**Cathy Humphrey, CEO,
Sacred Heart Mission**

ABOUT OUR FUNDING

Each year The Jack Brockhoff Foundation supports many charitable organisations across Victoria. The Foundation makes grants in three priority areas: **Children & Youth, Community and Early Career Research (Medical)**. Applications are invited from eligible organisations and individuals who meet the following high-level criteria:

- Have a broad community reach and profile
- Demonstrate sound management and service excellence in meeting clients' needs
- Have a high degree of community and/or volunteer involvement
- Connect their operations with the community they seek to assist; and
- Benefit people residing in Victoria

In 2018 the Foundation undertook a strategic review of its grants program and as a result introduced several focus areas under each of these three program areas. These focus areas were chosen because they reflect the history of the Foundation and its founder's purpose as well as current needs within the community and in some cases, funding gaps.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH GRANTS (AGES 8 – 25 YEARS)

The aim of The Jack Brockhoff Children & Youth Grants Program is to support projects and programs that will have a positive impact on improving outcomes for children and young people, in Victoria, who are at risk or vulnerable. The Foundation seeks applications in two key areas of interest:

1. **Addressing Youth Homelessness** – With a focus on young people (8-25 years) at risk of homelessness.
2. **Pathways to Education, Training and Employment** – With a focus on young people (8 -18 years) who are identified as being at risk to remain or re-engage with learning or education and to find employment.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

The aim of the Community Grants Program is to support innovative programs that will have a lasting impact on communities throughout Victoria. The Foundation seeks applications in several key areas of focus:

Ageing

- Supporting housing initiatives for older women; and
- Addressing the social isolation of older people

Disability

- Supporting housing initiatives for people with a disability; and
- Innovative approaches to employment for people with a disability

Building Capacity

- Addressing poverty and disadvantage through supporting small grass-roots charitable organisations to develop innovative ways of becoming more effective, efficient and sustainable

EARLY CAREER RESEARCH GRANTS (MEDICAL)

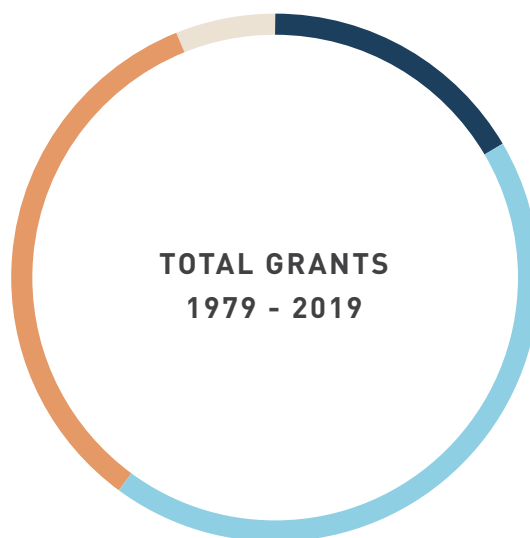
The aim of this program is to strengthen research capability in Victoria, to conduct world-class research in health and wellbeing by helping establish the careers of talented young scientists.

The Foundation seeks to support early-career researchers to demonstrate their scientific originality and their capacity to complete, relatively independently, a discrete study for publication in scientific literature.

The Foundation intends these grants to assist talented young researchers to build a CV that enables them to later compete successfully for research positions and research grants, and to establish the foundation of their career in research.



YEARS OF
MAKING A DIFFERENCE



- **Children 17%**
\$16,436,575
- **Community 43%**
\$41,171,654
- **Medical 35%**
\$32,530,911
- **JBCHW 5%**
\$5,000,000

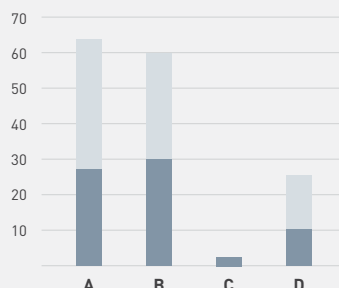
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GRANTS TO

1,638
CHARITABLE
ORGANISATIONS

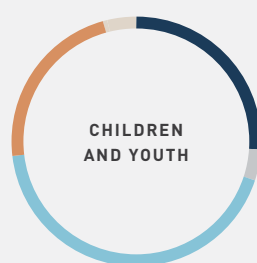
1979 - 2019 HIGHLIGHTS

- \$12.4** Million to Basic and Emergency Aid
- \$9.5** Million to Shelter/Homelessness and Residential Care
- \$9.3** Million to Education
- \$8.7** Million to Disability Services
- \$6.3** Million to Aged Care
- \$42.3** Million to Health

2018-19 HIGHLIGHTS



- Approved
- Declined
- A) Children and Youth
- B) Community
- C) Other
- D) Medical



- Community and Economic Development 26%
- Family Services 5%
- Primary and Secondary Education 38%
- Shelter and Residential Care 30%
- Youth Development 1%



- Community and Economic Development 33%
- Education 7%
- Health 11%
- Human Services 39%
- Public Safety 10%

**Children and Youth
\$730,193**

**Community
\$751,822**

**Other
\$70,150**

**Medical
\$679,860**

**Grand Total
\$2,232,025**

CHILDREN AND YOUTH GRANTS 2018-19

The **Children and Youth Grants** program aims to support projects and programs that will have a positive impact on improving outcomes for children and young people throughout Victoria, who are at risk or vulnerable.

ORGANISATION	PROJECT	FUNDED
Ardoch Youth Foundation Limited	Ardoch's Community Education Volunteers – improving educational outcomes for children in Greater Dandenong	\$25,000
Australian Schools Plus	Pavilion School - STEAM Project	\$33,333
Concern Australia	Hand Brake Turn fiXit social enterprise (South East Melbourne)	\$25,000
Cottage by The Sea Queenscliff Inc.	'A Take A Break' 4 day camp for 20 children	\$8,172
Cystic Fibrosis Australia	Cystic Fibrosis Study Support	\$10,000
The Funding Network	Support for the Children and Youth Program	\$15,000
HoMie	HoMie Pathway Alliance	\$40,000
Institute for Sport & Health, Victoria University	Innovative practices in the prevention of youth homelessness	\$40,000
International Social Service Australia	Early Intervention Pilot Program for Young People of African Background	\$40,000
Kids Under Cover	Partnership to prevent youth homelessness 2019/20	\$40,000
La Trobe University	The Adolescent Language and Literacy Toolkit	\$29,429
Lighthouse Foundation	Lighthouse Mothers and Babies Home	\$30,000
Little Dreamers Australia	Big Dreamers Personal Development Program	\$30,000
Mission Australia	The Synergy Automotive Repairs Program, a social enterprise supporting disadvantaged young people gain valuable employment skills	\$30,217
Outdoor Education Foundation	The Outdoor Education Foundation Citizenship Program - Pilot	\$30,000
Public Education Foundation Ltd	Jack Brockhoff Victorian Indigenous Scholarship	\$24,000
Refugee Migrant Children Centre	Expansion of RMCC Sidekicks Senior program: 'Empowering refugee and asylum seeker youth to create their own opportunities through education and beyond'	\$30,000
RMIT	RMIT/SEMZ/Police and Citizens' Youth Club St Kilda - 'Collaboration to build a community space to support young adults at risk'	\$21,850
Social Ventures Australia	'Evidence for Jobs' - An evidence based assessment of what works in alternative youth education/employment projects	\$35,000
The Song Room Inc.	DUET – Teacher Arts Learning Mentoring Program in Newcomb	\$38,400
Southern Family Life Service Assoc. inc.	Peoploworx Hastings	\$30,000
Tomorrow Today Education Foundation Ltd	Future Work	\$30,000
The Venny	Feet on the Ground	\$24,792
WEstjustice	Out of Home Care & In Custody Legal Clinics Program	\$40,000 / year for two years
Zoe Support Australia	The White List – 'Secure Futures for Young Mothers and their Babies'	\$30,000



HIGHLIGHTS

YOUTH HOMELESSNESS WESTJUSTICE

**Project: Out of Home Care
& In Custody Legal Clinics**

Poverty is not destiny, yet we know that many young people born into disadvantage and poverty are more likely to experience poor health, disrupted education, lower employment prospects, mental health and addiction issues, homelessness, legal problems, financial illiteracy and family relationship breakdown. This is further exacerbated when children are placed into out of home care. Over the years, WEStjustice has worked extensively with vulnerable young people through embedded 'outreach' legal services delivered where young people live, learn, work and socialise.

The organisation has developed long standing partnerships with youth organisations, schools and hubs to ensure that secure relationships of trust are developed through reliable and comprehensive legal services delivery models. This 2-year project aims to capitalise on these longstanding partnerships and offer



Vincent Shin, Senior Youth Lawyer, WEStjustice.
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and include "Images courtesy of Victoria University"

comprehensive legal services to children in care and custody. Currently legal services available to these young people are very limited and predominately criminal law centric. WEStjustice will provide more comprehensive services which include child protection, employment, debts, fines, housing, and criminal law. They will do this in collaboration with youth, health and wellbeing services.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT HOMIE

Project: HoMie Pathway Alliance

The Pathway Alliance is HoMie's own accredited retail training and education program for young people (18-25) affected by homelessness or hardship. Every year, HoMie selects young people from one of their partnered Alliance Support Services to participate in an eight-month paid on-the-job work experience at the HoMie Street Store or a HoMie Alliance trained business. Upon successful completion of the paid HoMie Pathway Alliance internship, HoMie interns will graduate with: Certificate III in Retail; six-months retail work-experience; eight months personal development training to build improved confidence, resilience, self-aspirations and life-skills; and a permanent place in the HoMie Alumni community.



The HoMies at work in their shop on Brunswick St, Fitzroy.

COMMUNITY SPACE FOR YOUNG ADULTS THE POLICE AND CITIZENS YOUTH CLUB, ST KILDA

**Project: Collaboration to build a community
space to support young adults at risk**

The Police and Citizens Youth Club provides accommodation for up to seven young adults who have been identified by the Salvation Army's Upton Road Accommodation and Learning Centre as showing a capacity and desire to live independently, but who still require a level of support to reach this goal. The PCYC house currently lacks space for congregation. The project aims to build a pod which will serve as a functional communal space for the residents to gather, cook, relax, learn life skills, and build relationships.

The project is to be managed by a collaborative partnership of RMIT University Project Management students under the guidance of SEMZ Property Advisory and Project Management.



COMMUNITY GRANTS 2018-19

The **Community Grants** program is designed to support innovative programs that will have a lasting impact on communities throughout Victoria, with a specific focus on three areas of specific interest to Sir Jack Brockhoff, the sustainability of small grass-roots not for profits, ageing and disability.

ORGANISATION	PROJECT	FUNDED
Access Australia Group	PepperGreen Purposeful Plastic	\$20,000
Arts Project Australia	Connecting Local Artists to Victorian and Global Audiences	\$24,100
Australian Centre for Grief and Bereavement	Development of the 'My Grief' App	\$15,000
Australian Centre for Rural Entrepreneurship (ACRE)	Bringing the Social Enterprise Institute to Victoria for social entrepreneurs to start, build and grow their social enterprise	\$30,000
Autism Behavioural Intervention Association	ABA Connect	\$22,356
Better Place Australia	'Seniors Empowering Seniors Program' (SESP) - a peer support group program for older women who have experienced elder abuse from their families or carer	\$39,697
Big Group Hug Ltd	Shelving and equipment for Big Group Hug's new warehouse	\$5,159
Birth for Humankind Ltd	'Settling into motherhood': Personalised in-home support for mothers and babies experiencing disadvantage	\$19,533
Brigidine Association Asylum Seeker & Refugee Trust	Creating Employment Pathways	\$11,040
Child Wise	Child Safety Online Community of Practice	\$15,000
Community Information & Support Victoria (CISVic)	'Connecting the branches: building organisational capability through technology'	\$23,500
Down Syndrome Association of Victoria Inc.	Prenatal support for parents expecting a baby with Down Syndrome	\$15,000
Gather My Crew Ltd	Building supportive communities around people 'doing it tough' in regional Victoria	\$27,800
Inclusion Melbourne Inc.	Guide for dental practitioners in the treatment of people with an intellectual disability	\$10,000
Koha Community Cafe Inc.	Warburton Community Space project	\$4,862
Link Community Transport inc	Pathway to a better future	\$20,000
Mallee Family Care Inc.	No air conditioning? Who cares? Extreme Heat Social Justice Research - Climate Change and the Impact for Public Housing Residents in the Mallee	\$17,500
The Mirabel Foundation Inc	Connecting People, Data and Outcomes	\$25,000
National Ageing Research Institute Ltd.	The ENJOY trial - Exercise interveNtion outdoor proJect in the cOmmunity: engagement and empowerment of older people	\$20,000
Nepean Special School	No Boundaries Wildlife Sanctuary Boundary Fence	\$20,000
Oakleigh Centre for Intellectually Disabled Citizens	Environmental car wash social enterprise expansion	\$25,000
PartnerSPEAK	Building a model for training Berry Street Victoria's Northern Family and Domestic Violence Service	\$11,456
River Nile Learning Centre (RNLC)	Childcare for refugee and asylum seeker students	\$32,065
SisterWorks Incorporated	SisterWorks' Home in Bendigo	\$25,000
Summer Foundation Ltd	Digital Storytelling - Positive NDIS Outcomes	\$27,000
Wellsprings for Women Inc	Wellsprings Women's Atelier	\$30,000
Wintringham	Bedroom furniture, linen and equipment for Angus Martin House in Frankston	\$25,500
Women and Mentoring (WAM) Limited	WAM in Frankston - Keeping women out of prison	\$15,000
Women's Property Initiatives	Maintaining and Increasing organisational capacity to build more homes	\$40,000
Zoe College Limited	Fit for Purpose: Modifying a new site for Educational Purposes	\$30,000



HIGHLIGHTS

GATHER MY CREW

Project: Building supportive communities in regional Victoria

During tough times such as illness, accident, sudden death, divorce, drought, natural disaster there can be a breakdown between those in need and the people in their network who are able to 'lend a hand'. The Gather My Crew user-friendly and free rostering tool enables people in need to pre-emptively identify current and future needs, actively ask for help and coordinate willing supporters to meet these needs.

Gather My Crew directly supports the creation of stronger support networks by connecting those in need with those who have something they can give. This project supports the organisation to run a 11-month education and information program in over 12 regional areas including Geelong, Ballarat, Colac and Hamilton.



Gather My Crew with help suggestions.

SUMMER FOUNDATION

Project: Digital Storytelling - Positive NDIS Outcomes

During the current establishment phase of the NDIS there is significant scope to influence the development of NDIS rules, legislation and practice. The NDIS is one of the most significant systems the Summer Foundation seeks to influence.

This project will capture stories which showcase NDIS outcomes and have the potential to change systems. The digital stories will be short, accessible, easy to share and represent a high impact way of conveying key messages. The digital stories are underwritten by the authenticity of sharing real life 'lived experience'.



Kirby Littley, program recipient.

BETTER PLACES AUSTRALIA

Project: Seniors Empowering Seniors Program (SESP) - a peer support group program for older women who have experienced elder abuse from their families or carer

In the last two years Better Place Australia has supported over 250 clients who have experienced elder abuse. Clients of these services are now seeking a support group to further develop their resilience and life skills. Although resolution may have been achieved through the service, the older person is left in a situation of having no ongoing support or avenue to reflect upon their experience and to develop protective life skills to restore their sense of wellbeing. They remain at risk of further abuse.

This grant will support Better Place Australia to establish and pilot two post-abuse groups over a 12 month period. The support groups also provide an opportunity to further develop life and resilience skills.



Music therapist, Andrew, leads a Seniors Empowering Seniors Program group session. The program provides an opportunity for victims of elder abuse to talk in a safe supportive environment and to reduce social isolation.

MEDICAL RESEARCH GRANTS 2018-19

The **Early Career Research Grants** program aims to help establish the careers of talented young scientists to conduct world-class research in health and wellbeing by strengthening research capability in Victoria.

The Board of the Foundation was very pleased to partner again with the Marian and E.H. Flack Trust to support two of this year's researchers, Dr Brendan Ansell and Dr Sweta Iyer.

Dr Thomas Angelovich, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, *Defining HIV Reservoirs in the Central Nervous System* (\$92,800 over two years)

Dr Brendan Ansell, The Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, *Systems biology to understand drug-resistant childhood epilepsy* (\$95,000 over two years provided by The Marian and E.H. Flack Trust)

Dr Erin Campbell, The Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health, *Identifying the brain circuits underlying relapse to alcohol seeking following adolescent onset long-term alcohol use* (\$70,000 over two years)

Dr Jennifer Cori, Institute for Breathing and Sleep, *Novel ocular alertness measures to assess fitness to drive in patients with sleep apnea* (\$70,000 provided)

Dr Maria Jelinic, La Trobe University, *Identifying a novel therapeutic approach for obesity-related chronic kidney disease* (\$128,997 over two years)

Dr Sweta Iyer, The Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, *Developing a new antibody therapy for the treatment of chemo-resistant cancers* (\$109,500 over two years provided by The Marian and E.H. Flack Trust)

Dr Grace Lidgerwood, Centre for Eye Research Australia Ltd, *Modelling inflammation in retinal diseases using patient induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs)* (\$69,092)

Dr Rachel McQuade, The Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health, *Old Drug New Trick: Prucalopride as a Neuroprotective Agent in Parkinson's Disease* (\$99,870 over two years)

Dr Eric Tan, Swinburne University of Technology, *Examining a new method for relapse prediction in schizophrenia and bipolar disorder* (\$110,000 over two years)

Dr Samantha Turner, Murdoch Children's Research Institute, *Investigating innovative therapies in childhood dysarthria* (\$69,932 provided)

Dr Cassandra Wright, The MacFarlane Burnet Institute for Medical Research and Public Health, *Reducing risky alcohol consumption by understanding and intervening during drinking events*, (\$127,500 over two years)

THE FOLLOWING RESEARCHERS RECEIVED SECOND YEAR GRANTS:

Dr Amy Loughman, Deakin University, *A novel approach to modifying the risk of Alzheimer's disease: the gut microbiome*

Dr Amie Hayley, Swinburne University, *Characterising the effect of methamphetamine and alcohol on driving behaviour and performance*

Dr Marcel Doerflinger, The Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research, *Developing a diagnostic blood test to improve clinical management of febrile children undergoing cancer treatment*

Dr Flora Hui, Centre for Eye Research, *Reducing the time to detect the short-term improvement in glaucoma after vitamin B3 supplementation*.

Dr Anushi Rajapaksa, Murdoch Children's Research Institute, *Inhaled Palivizumab: A novel delivery platform to effectively prevent and treat severe respiratory syncytial virus infections in infants*

JBF GRANT RECIPIENTS



(L-R): Dr Samantha Turner, Dr Grace Lidgerwood, Dr Jennifer Cori, Dr Brendan Ansell, Dr Sweta Iyer, Dr Cassandra Wright, Dr Erin Campbell, Dr Eric Tan, Dr Rachel McQuade, Dr Thomas Angelovich.

PROFILES

MEDICAL RESEARCH GRANT RECIPIENTS AND THE JAMES GUEST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



DR RYAN CROSS

2016 - 2018

Walter & Eliza Hall Institute (\$110,000 over two years).
Genetically engineering protective immunity for paediatric glioblastoma using adoptive cell transfer of Chimeric Antigen Receptor T cells and influenza vaccination.

The Jack Brockhoff Early Career Medical Research Grant provided critical funding early in my career to allow me to develop a technology platform for creating new therapies to target paediatric brain cancer. Developing this technology was significantly harder than I had anticipated and so this grant was instrumental in giving me the confidence and independence to get this technology to work. In the words of Colin R. Davis, a celebrated English conductor, "the road to success and the road to failure are almost exactly the same." This quote resonates with me as to get something difficult to work you will often encounter unforeseen barriers and sometimes the difference between success and failure can be just one more experiment away. The funding security provided by The Jack Brockhoff Foundation provided vital support through the challenges I faced.

With this Early Career Grant I am really pleased that I did develop the technology platform we needed. Following this, I have since been awarded a prestigious Cure Brain Cancer Foundation Early Career Fellowship to use this technology to develop new therapies for both adults and children living with brain cancer.

I am incredibly grateful to The Jack Brockhoff Foundation for giving me this valuable opportunity to contribute new information for potential new therapies for brain cancer in children.



DR SAMANTHA EMERY

2016 - 2018

Walter & Eliza Hall Institute (\$116,000 over two years).
Characterising lysine acetylation for urgent drug discovery in the diarrhoeal parasite, Giardia duodenalis.

In 2016 I was awarded my PhD and started my first post-doctoral position at the Walter and Eliza Hall Institute and was honoured to be awarded a Jack Brockhoff Foundation Early Career Medical Research grant. This grant has defined the emergent stages of my research career, giving me the means to pursue a multi-year, multi-disciplinary and medical research project studying giardia infection, a widespread parasitic disease in children.

Over the duration of the grant, I generated large and diverse sets of experimental data to gain more understanding of this disease, advanced my skills as a researcher, and established myself in my field both nationally and internationally. I have published one research paper, with two more pending from work undertaken during this grant. I also established several new projects stemming from this grant; some of which I am now leading as a PhD supervisor.

I have since been invited to present research supported by The Jack Brockhoff Foundation nationally and internationally, and successfully obtained travel bursaries to visit overseas collaborators and attend conferences, during which my research has been recognised with two Early Career Research Awards.

Whilst The Jack Brockhoff grant funded my laboratory project, I am also grateful for the many career opportunities it has generated beyond the laboratory, particularly for my development as a researcher, as well as my network and profile as a medical research scientist.



DR YUGEESH LANKADEVA

2016 - 2018

The Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health (\$110,000 over two years).

Novel therapies to maintain kidney function in septic shock.

In 2016, I was fortunate to receive an Early Career Research Grant from The Jack Brockhoff Foundation. Receiving competitive project funding greatly facilitated my upward career trajectory in several aspects. Firstly, it enabled me to investigate novel diagnostics and therapeutics for sepsis - induced acute kidney injury, which has thus far led to 5 publications and sparked 3 clinical studies. Secondly, it allowed me to accumulate enough pilot data for a NHMRC Ideas grant application. Finally, I was able to leverage my track record of project funding to successfully transition from a National Heart Foundation Early - Career Fellowship to a Future - Leader Fellowship, which played a pivotal role in my recent promotion to head of my own laboratory group at the Florey Institute.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to The Jack Brockhoff Foundation for supporting early career researchers such as myself towards achieving significant career milestones.



MR ARDESHIR SAHMEDDINI

2015 - 2018

The James Guest Memorial Scholarship was inaugurated in 2015, in the memory of James Guest, past Chairman of the Foundation, who was highly respected by his peers and fellow Directors.

This is a Trinity College residential scholarship, for students studying Medicine or Biomedicine at the University of Melbourne. Mr Ardeshir Sahmeddini was awarded the first scholarship in 2015, for his 3 year Bachelor of Biomedicine degree.

Becoming a part of Trinity College has been one of the best enriching experiences I have had in my life. I am very grateful to both The Jack Brockhoff Foundation and the College for giving me so many great opportunities in order to grow and reach my full potential; your generosity has been integral to my success. This year I was able to commence my studies of Doctor of Medicine at the University of Melbourne. I am a few months away from finishing my first year and I have to say, despite the intense workload, there is not even a minute doubt that I want to continue this career for the rest of my life!

I hope that in the near future I can become the kind of doctor who is both knowledgeable, but more importantly approachable. I also hope that one day I can change someone's life, it can be as little as putting a smile on my patients' faces to paving the road for those that need extra help.

Believe it or not, I have always wanted to become a doctor from as long as I can remember, and now I am very close in fulfilling that dream which is made possible because of the support of The Jack Brockoff Foundation.

PROFILES

OF THE WINSTON CHURCHILL TRUST FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS



The Jack Brockhoff Foundation has been annually funding Churchill Fellowships to Victorian residents since 1996. Since that time the Foundation has provided more than \$560,000 to support 31 Churchill Trust Fellowships. The Foundation supports young researchers in the areas of social disadvantage including disability or in health and medical practice, particularly if there is a benefit to rural or regional areas. It is our hope that these fellowships will benefit as many people in these communities, as possible.

The strong alignment between the values of Jack Brockhoff Foundation and The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust has underpinned a positive and sustained partnership for close to a quarter of a century. The Jack Brockhoff Foundation sponsored Churchill Fellowships have supported Victorians working in the area of social disadvantage to travel the world in search of best practice and new ideas to bring back for the benefit of their communities. We are proud of our relationship with The Jack Brockhoff Foundation and the associated community impact.

**Adam Davey, Chief Executive Officer
The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust**

PAST RECIPIENTS OF THE JACK BROCKHOFF WINSTON CHURCHILL TRUST FELLOWSHIPS INCLUDE:



DR CATHERINE CROCK AM

Every year, despite the best efforts of health professionals, thousands of patients in Australia suffer, and many die, from preventable problems and medical errors. However, when patients and their families are permitted to participate actively in every aspect of healthcare (that is, patient-centred care), and when staff treat each other with respect, many of the problems leading to these detrimental results are avoided. Catherine explored patient-centred healthcare and its impact on patient safety on her 2009 Churchill Fellowship. In 2016 she merged two not-for-profits into one to create The Hush Foundation. The Hush Foundation (hush.org.au) now works on a national scale to transform healthcare culture and environments through the arts. In 2015, Catherine was made a member of the Order of Australia for services to Medicine, to community healthcare standards and to the Arts.



DR SUSAN PALMER

Dr Susan Palmer's fellowship to explore the needs of adolescents and young adults who have been diagnosed with cancer enabled her to directly influence state policy in this area. 'The Churchill Fellowship enabled me to meet international leaders in the field and bring that knowledge I had gained back to Australia to support our continual growth and improvement,' Susan writes in her report. Susan knew that people in crisis were finding it difficult to manage on their own and wanted to do something to help. She founded the online platform GatherMyCrew, launched in June 2017, which links people in crisis to their own network of friends and family to receive the practical support they need to get through tough times.



ANITA PELL

Anita Pell reminds us that 'every child has a right to a happy and healthy childhood filled with memories that will build their resilience for future life challenges.' If they do not get this chance with their birth families, foster carers can play a vital role in their physical and emotional healing and growth. Anita believes that there needs to be large-scale reform in Australia's foster care systems. Anita's Churchill Fellowship was in 2008 on this complex topic. As a result of her Fellowship Anita developed a model for a Professionalised Foster Care System and she has been able to make great strides towards developing a more professional foster care system in Australia that will create better results for children in care.

CHURCHILL FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS 2018-19



DR CATHERINE COSGROVE

Project: *New approaches to strengthen social connection of newly-arrived health workers in rural Australia.*

Australians living in rural and remote areas rely heavily on public health services, yet a major and ongoing challenge facing these services is attracting and retaining health workers. Dr Cosgrove is a research fellow at The University of Melbourne, Department of Rural Health based in Wangaratta and a leading researcher on recruitment and retention of Australia's rural health workforce. Her research has identified that social and personal factors are a key determinant of retention.

For 'outsider-newcomer' health workers, social isolation is a major issue and whole-of-community solutions are urgently needed and there are few examples in Australia. Effectively supporting the social needs of new rural health workers will help reduce avoidable turnover. This will strengthen the provision and quality of rural health services resulting in improved wellbeing for rural Australians, thus making for a more equitable Australia.

Dr Cosgrove. *Travel Dates: 28/04/2019-30/06/2019.*



DR NIROSHINI KENNEDY

Project: *To investigate integrated models of care for Aboriginal children in out-of-home care.*

Aboriginal children are over-represented in the statutory out-of-home care (OoHC) system in Australia. In Victoria, in recent years, Aboriginal children are being removed into OoHC at around 10-15 times the rate of the general population. The adverse health outcomes for children in OoHC are well documented, and for Aboriginal children, this compounds their existing gap in health and educational outcomes. Comprehensive health assessments led by paediatricians can guide the development of therapeutic plans to ameliorate the health and emotional consequences of maltreatment. However, in Victoria, very few Aboriginal children access mainstream clinics, and there is a need for culturally safe Aboriginal services that can offer holistic, trauma-informed, and comprehensive care, incorporating the best international models of integrated care. Dr Kennedy is a paediatrician at the Wadja Clinic, a general paediatric service for Aboriginal patients at the Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne, and at the Aboriginal community-controlled Victorian Aboriginal Health Service. As she explains of her 2018 Jack Brockhoff Foundation Churchill Fellowship:

This Fellowship will influence service design for Aboriginal children in out-of-home care by enabling me to investigate innovative, integrated, and trauma-informed models to deliver health assessments and ongoing health care to Aboriginal children in out of home care, and crucially, offer these services in a culturally safe manner.

Dr Kennedy. *Travel Dates: 4/09/2019-17/10/2019.*

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND FOOD AID PROGRAM 2018-19

The Jack Brockhoff Foundation Emergency Relief and Food Aid Program provides three years of ongoing support to organisations who have a strong track record in providing emergency relief and food aid to communities across Victoria. The following organisations have been provided support from 2017 to 2020.



FOODBANK VICTORIA LTD

Foodbank Victoria is an independent not-for-profit organisation with more than 80 years' food relief experience. They sustainably source and distribute healthy food so that all Victorians can be food secure.

Project: Farms to Families® Program: Pop-up markets for communities in need.

'Farms to Families' markets are held in collaboration with charity partners in areas of socio-economic disadvantage where access to fresh produce is limited and demand for food relief is high.

This program aims to provide disadvantaged community members with access to fresh and nutritious food and develop an innovative and non-threatening pathway for food relief which maintains dignity, empathy and respect.



DANDENONG RANGES EMERGENCY RELIEF SERVICE INC.

Dandenong Ranges Emergency Relief Service Inc. (DRERS) is a non-profit charitable organisation, which aims to provide the necessities of life in times of crisis.

Project: Are the kids okay?

Many of the organisation's clients have children in their care and have experienced or are still experiencing domestic violence. This program aims to assist parents to provide a stable, safe and supportive environment for their children. They also give practical assistance in the form of material aid and referrals to holistically wrap around support for some of the most vulnerable and at-risk people in this area.



ST KILDA MUMS

St Kilda Mums saves the earth's precious resources by joining with support agencies throughout Victoria to meet the material needs of families with young children. They collect, sort and redistribute essential nursery equipment, clothing, books and toys to families in need.

Project: Providing essential nursery equipment and children's clothing to families in the Latrobe Valley.

St Kilda Mums' is extending its reach into regional areas where families experiencing disadvantage are further challenged by geographic isolation and limited access to support networks and services. They will initially focus on the Gippsland Latrobe Valley region because of its proximity to Melbourne and uncertain economic future following the closure of Hazelwood power station.

THE QUEEN'S FUND

The Queen's Fund provides emergency relief to single women and their children in Victoria who are experiencing financial hardship. Grants are allocated to women who are referred by community organisations and welfare agencies.

Project: Emergency Relief for Single Women and their Children in Victoria.

These grants can be used to: fund the payment of utilities to prevent disconnection of essential services; prevent homelessness by securing accommodation or preventing eviction; enable urgent relocation so a woman can live in safe and secure housing, particularly when escaping family violence and to fund urgent medical expenses to prevent longer term health issues.



THE SACRED HEART MISSION ST KILDA INC.

Sacred Heart Mission builds people's capacity to participate more fully in community life, by addressing the underlying causes of deep, persistent disadvantage and social exclusion.

Project: Meals Program at Sacred Heart Mission.

The Meals Program welcomes all visitors and is purposed to provide a nutritious breakfast and lunch for people experiencing disadvantage and homelessness. Food service takes place daily in their Dining Hall and on weekdays at their Women's House. Around 125,000 nutritious meals are served annually by a program team. Clients receive a friendly welcome, freshly prepared food choices and books, magazines and flowers in dining spaces to create a calming environment where people can relax, have the dignity of choice, and receive genuine hospitality.



REPORT ON THE JACK BROCKHOFF CHILD HEALTH AND WELLBEING PROGRAM CENTENARY GIFT 2008-2018

This \$5 million Centenary Grant was created in 2008 to celebrate the centenary of Sir Jack Brockhoff's birth. The funding enabled a new research unit to be instituted and funded at the University of Melbourne. The program was under the direction of (the late) Professor Elizabeth Waters and most recently by Professor Lisa Gibbs.

The rationale of the program is that child health is a powerful influence of current wellbeing and health, educational, social and employment prospects later in life. They recognised that the child health inequality gap must be closed for the children of today who will be the adults in the future.

The program aims to improve child health by:

- Advancing knowledge and commitment to evidence
- Building capacity through partnerships and collaboration for research and evidence use
- Informing policy and practice decision-making
- Improving health across the population, with a focus on equity and inequalities

The research program's purpose was to build evidence about what makes a difference for child health and wellbeing in: families, schools, communities, services and society.

Research programs over the years have included studies in: Child Oral Health, Mental Health and Wellbeing, Obesity prevention, Disaster Resilience and Recovery, Childhood Disability, Child Citizenship and Refugee settlement and social inclusion.



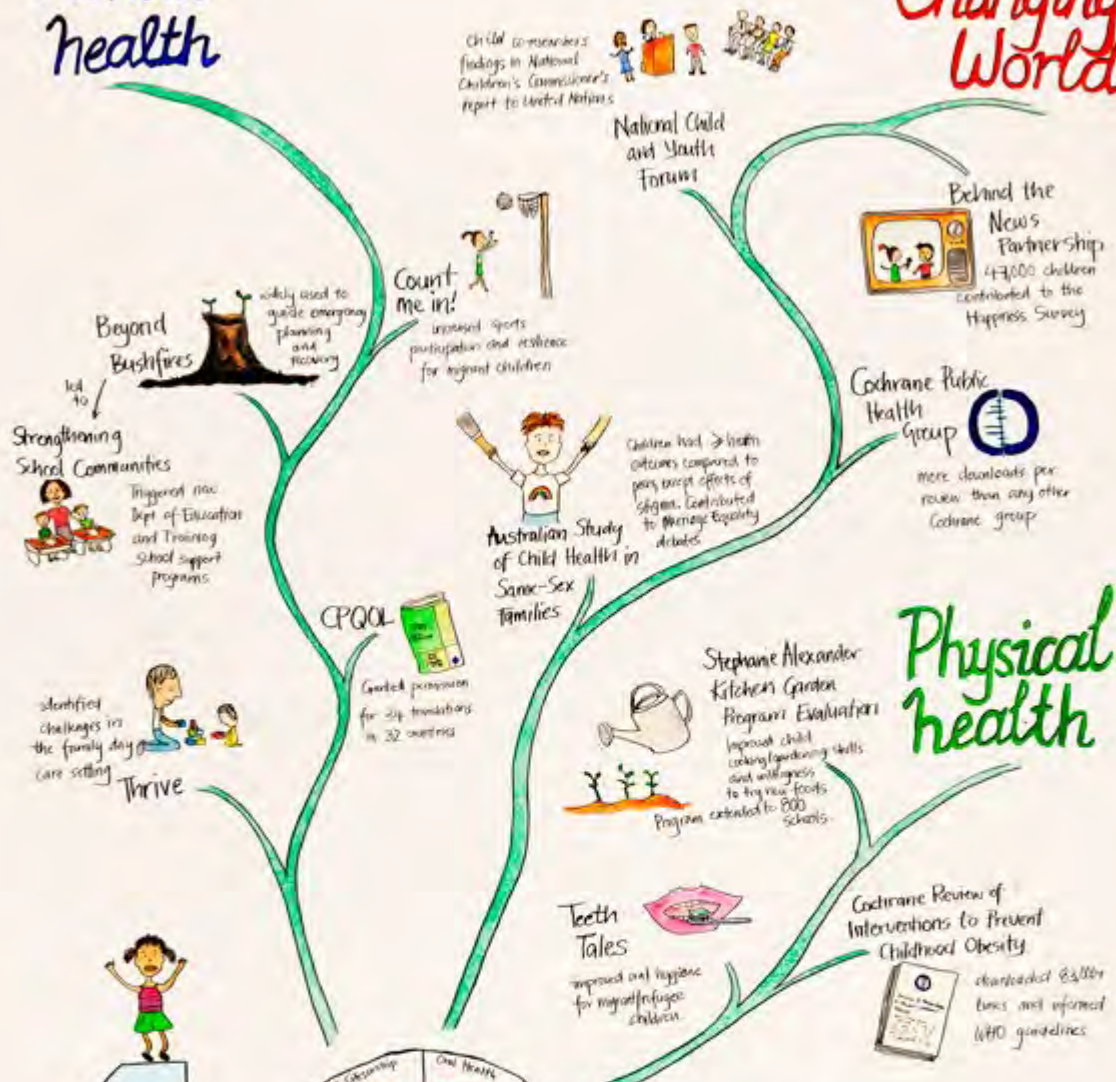
The team at The Jack Brockhoff Child Health and Wellbeing Program. Prof Lisa Gibbs 3rd from right.





Mental health

Changing World



The Jack Brockhoff
Child Health and Wellbeing Program
 2008 - 2018

years of

THE JACK BROCKHOFF CENTENARY GRANT HIGHLIGHTS AT A GLANCE

The shared vision for The Jack Brockhoff Child Health and Wellbeing Program was to improve children's lives through evidence-based health and wellbeing strategies developed and delivered in partnership with government, community and service providers. Presented here are some highlights of contributions to child health and wellbeing achieved over the 10 year period of the grant.

The Jack Brockhoff Foundation is particularly proud of the significant achievements resulting from this centenary grant.

FOCUS

We are promoting social inclusion for children from refugee/migrant backgrounds.

ACHIEVEMENTS

The Count Me In trial has demonstrated socially inclusive practices at sports clubs are associated with increased resilience for children from migrant backgrounds. We have developed evidence of programs and strategies that promote resilience for children and youth from refugee/migrant backgrounds in playschool, school and language program settings.



83,979

DOWNLOADS OF THE SYSTEMATIC REVIEW OF CHILD OBESITY PREVENTION INTERVENTIONS

POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH AND RESILIENCE

FOCUS

We are providing guidance for recovery from natural disasters and other emergency events.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Our Beyond Bushfires research findings on the social influences of mental health recovery have been used to guide emergency planning and recovery services across Australia and internationally. Our identification of delayed disaster impacts on child academic outcomes has directly resulted in substantial Victorian Government investment in school support programs.

FOCUS

We are increasing the capacity of service providers and families to support children with disability.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Our identification of parent mental health needs has resulted in an ongoing professional education program, a trial of changed family services, and an Australian parent/carer resource adapted for USA release. Our Quality of Life Tool for children with cerebral palsy (CPQOL) has been translated into 34 languages in 32 countries for use in service provision.

PHYSICAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

FOCUS

We have identified strategies to prevent child overweight and obesity.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Our intervention studies in different settings have created health promoting environments and increased understanding of how to prevent child overweight and obesity. The systematic review of child obesity prevention interventions has been downloaded 83,979 times to date to guide policy and practice internationally and has informed WHO guidelines.



FOCUS

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program Evaluation.

ACHIEVEMENTS

We demonstrated improved child cooking/gardening knowledge and willingness to try new foods.

Our evaluation supported extension of the program to 800 schools.

FOCUS

We promote opportunities for children to contribute to debates about child health and wellbeing issues.

ACHIEVEMENTS

We formed a research partnership with ABC children's television program Behind the News to build evidence of children's views on priority health and wellbeing topics. We held our first National Child and Youth Forum to enable our child and teenage co-researchers to present key messages to an influential panel of Australians. The National Children's Commissioner included their research findings in her 2018 report to the United Nations on Australia's performance under the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

CHANGING WORLD

FOCUS

Teeth Tales.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Improved oral hygiene for migrant/refugee children, changed oral health services for families with young children, and increased organisational cultural competence.



FOCUS

We addressed the evidence gap in understanding child health and wellbeing in same-sex parented families.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Our research showed that children with same-sex parents had the same or better health and wellbeing outcomes compared to their peers, except for the effects of stigma. These findings contributed to the marriage equality debate in Australia and internationally.

FOCUS

We contribute to evidence about solutions to emerging public health issues.

ACHIEVEMENTS

The Cochrane Public Health Group established satellite groups in South Asia, Europe and the UK to produce and publish systematic reviews of the effects of population-level public health interventions. Their published reviews now have an average of 800 full downloads per review which is more than any other Cochrane review group.

FINANCE SUMMARY

2018-19



● Expenses 15% \$387,317 ● Grants 85% \$2,232,025



● People 75% \$289,693 ● Rent 7% \$27,962
 ● Audit 3% \$10,800 ● Computer 5% \$17,846
 ● Consulting 2% \$7,773 ● Other 8% \$33,243

PROFIT AND LOSS	AMOUNT
Income	\$4,918,260
Expenses	\$387,317
Grants	\$2,232,025
Net Surplus Carried forward	\$2,298,918

BALANCE SHEET	AMOUNT
Investments	\$55,965,990
Other Assets	\$1,921,399
Total Assets	\$57,887,389
Total Liabilities	\$96,556
Total Equity	\$57,790,833



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