



Empowerment is the process of enhancing the capacity of individuals or groups to make choices and to transform those choices into desired actions and outcomes. Community foundations empower local philanthropists and communities.

Community Foundations are place-based, independent, philanthropic vehicles. They work with a range of donors to build endowment funds as long-term community assets. Through grant making, investments, research, community development and collaborative networks, Community Foundations bring people and organisations together to build social capital, catalyse development and strengthen their communities.

The National Community Foundations Forum (NCFF) is an annual event gathering representatives from community foundations, government, the not-for-profit sector, corporate business and philanthropy to network, learn from each other, exchange ideas and think strategically and collectively about the future of community philanthropy.



NCFF16: Philanthropy for Everyone

NCFF is auspiced by Australian Community Philanthropy, the national peak organisation for community foundations, and 2016 hosted by Bass Coast Community Foundation and the Mirboo North & District Community Foundation.

Taking place across three days, the program features a mix of the practical and inspirational, featuring interactive workshops and keynotes from international and local sector leaders, advisors, experts and thought leaders.

This year's theme – **Building Resilience Through Innovation and Collaboration** – focuses on how the community foundation sector can evolve and adapt in order to thrive in a challenging and changing environment. Presenters include:

Russel Broadbent, Federal MP for McMillan

Catherine Brown, CEO Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation

Paul Buckley PSM, CEO Bass Coast Shire Council

Pat Claridge, EO Tomorrow: Today Foundation

Sarah Davies, CEO Philanthropy Australia

Natalie Egleton, CEO FRRR

Julia Keady-Blanch, Xfactor Consulting

Leigh Kennedy, Regional Director Gippsland, Regional Development Victoria

Ann Lansberry, EO Community Foundation for Central Victoria

Dr Andrea Lemon, CEO Kids Thrive

Alice Macdougall, Special Consul Herbert Smith Freehills

Bill Mithen, CEO Give Where You Live

Chris Morcom, Director Hewison Private Wealth

Seri Renkin, CEO Ten20 Foundation

Krystian Seibert, Policy & Research Manager at Philanthropy Australia

Maree Sidey, CEO Australian Communities Foundation

Dylan Smith, ACP Chair and EO of the Fremantle Foundation

Tim Tamlin, CEO South Gippsland Shire Council

And Community foundation practitioners from across Australia



NCFF16: Sponsorship Opportunities

NCFF16 is a wonderful opportunity for your organisation to gain visibility in front of a fully engaged audience of community leaders and change makers

- 100 plus people from across Australia
- trustees of community foundations who are often leaders in their communities
- executive officers of community foundations, who are well connected across local charities, businesses and community groups and services
- senior representatives from other funders, peak bodies, local government, state government, not-for-profits and community organisations, policy makers

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NCFF16 Goals and Values

Forum Goals

- provide a platform for strengthening community foundations and develop a program that reflects the diversity within our sector
- engage, inspire and educate our delegates and provide opportunities for learning, networking, sharing knowledge and experience
- bring together representatives from community foundations, government, corporate business and philanthropy to catalyse and advance knowledge
- provide opportunities for multi-stakeholder dialogue to develop creative solutions to challenges facing our sector
- influence leaders, including policy makers and donors, to increase their commitment to our sector

Forum Values

- Inclusive
encourage participation from all community foundations (urban, rural, regional, small and large foundations) and the broader philanthropic sector
- Transparent
in our planning and implementation



NCFF15 Feedback

'I couldn't pin point a session specifically - there was something in every reflect and learn that I took away. There was also something in every presentation that I took away and have thought about, researched further or tagged for follow up with the presenter/delegate etc.... There were certainly moments in my days were I felt surrounded by the foundation elite - the experience, opportunities on offer was mind blowing.'

'I particularly enjoyed the reflect and learn sessions - being very new to this world - it certainly gave a well-rounded view of Foundation work - small and large and all the little (or substantially large) learnings in between - absolutely loved the sharing opportunities, the expressions of support and assistance and the like mindedness of all the participants'

'Best Forum yet. Great to interact and learn from with so many wonderful people who care for their communities'

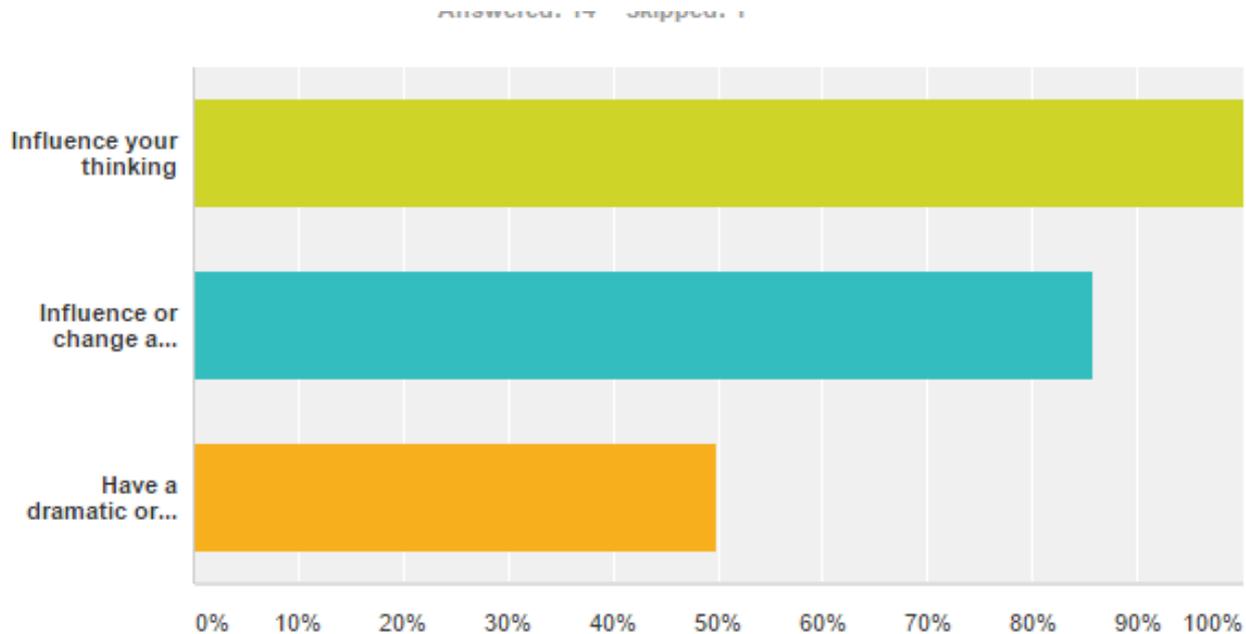
'I loved it. It was fantastic. Thank you so much for putting it on. You have so much gold in the room in terms of individuals with relevant experience that if you use it to good effect the event will go from great to spectacular'

'I really enjoyed the forum and got a lot from it. So well organised, good venues, too much food, great networking....Thank you@!'



Impact

The Forum has a highly engaged audience; 100% said that their attendance would influence their thinking, 86% said it would influence or change a decision and 50% said it would have a dramatic or noteworthy impact.



Sponsorship Opportunities

We invite you to partner with us in this event. Below are various options as a guide to assist you in finding the right level for your budget, we can also tailor sponsorship packages to your specific needs.

Event Partner - \$5,000

Your organisation or company's name and logo will be prominently displayed as a partner on Forum materials and collateral including the program, website and our event bags. You will have the option to make your promotional material available to Forum delegates at the event. Your name will be mentioned throughout the event and you will be able to display your banner. One complimentary registration is available at this level.

There are only a limited number of Event Partner sponsors.

Forum Supporter - \$2,500

Your organisation or company's name and logo will be displayed as a 'Forum Supporter' on Forum materials including the program and the conference website. You will have the opportunity to display your banner at the event.

Annual Forum Dinner Sponsor \$3,000 or Delegate Reception Sponsor \$2,000

This is an opportunity to have your company's name or logo associated with either of our high-value extra-curricular social events. The Annual Forum Dinner is home to the Australian Community Philanthropy Awards which recognises community foundations and individuals who have made a significant contribution to the community foundation sector in Australia.



About Us

Australian Community Philanthropy

ACP is the peak organisation for community foundations in Australia, assisting them to establish, grow and achieve their goals. We work to:

- build the capacity of community foundations; providing networking opportunities, tools and resources, links and connections, advice and assistance
- raise the profile and increase understanding of community foundations within the community, the broader philanthropic sector, business and government
- act as a central point of contact, information and communication for community foundations both in Australia and overseas
- help identify and create the optimum operating environment for the growth of community foundations in Australia.

Bass Coast Community Foundation

The Bass Coast Community Foundation was established in May 2002 to encourage philanthropy within the Bass Coast Region. The foundation has been supported by Philanthropy Australia, the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) and in mid 2009 through a Victorian State Government “Community Foundation Initiative” challenge Grant. The foundations works to create opportunities for local philanthropy and allocate funds to support community initiatives.

Mirboo North & District Community Foundation

The Mirboo North & District Community Foundation launched in 2010 and works across a number of small townships in South Gippsland. In addition to providing grants to organisations and community groups for local projects that build capacity and pride within the community, the Foundation is an enabler; facilitating and collaborating with other organisations, bringing its capacity as a locally embedded flexible organisation. The Foundation is committed to raising awareness of community foundations and contributing to the collective voice of community philanthropy in Australia.



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