

## 2013 Granting Organisations

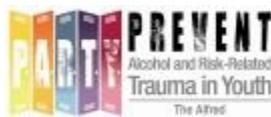
The following organisations received grants in the 2013 round:



### **Save the Children (NSW) \$20,000**

A mobile youth service – "Mobile Youth Van" was launched by Save the Children in July 2012, travelling throughout rural NSW providing young people with activities, information and support services that are inhibiting rural and regional people from developing a range of skills that their urban peers have.

Funds from the Foundation are contributing to the MYV to continue multiple visits into communities to ensure continuity for the participants and sustainability of the program's outcomes, plus to extend into new communities.



### **Alfred Health (VIC) \$30,000**

The P.A.R.T.Y. Program at The Alfred aims to reduce the number of young people represented in the trauma statistics as a result of preventable risk-taking behaviours. The Regional Program takes this valuable Alfred program "on the road", taking equipment and staff to areas well outside the Melbourne metropolitan area, seeking to reach country kids with P.A.R.T.Y.'s key messages of Choice, Risk, Consequence.

The foundation grant will enable 2 complete outreach programs (close to 500 students in total) be delivered in Warrnambool in 2013 and Bendigo in early 2014, plus contribute to the regional subsidy for all regional schools that have booked in 2013-2014.



### **Contact Inc: (NSW) \$21,608**

Contact Inc is a small NSW based operation with extensive links and associations with rural and remote communities, families, services and organisations. They work across all child, family and children's sectors including providing service delivery through a range of means including field trips, telephone support, mail out of resources, activity days, as well as coordination of training and support initiatives for rural and remote child and family related services amongst others.

The Aussie Farmers Foundation grant will allow Contact to update a print listing of reliable state-wide children and family support and children's disability support agencies, to mail out plus will be available on their website.



### **White Ribbon Australia (VIC/NSW/SA/QLD/WA) \$50,000**

White Ribbon Australia (WRA) is a national organisation working to stop men's violence against women by addressing the attitudes and behaviours that lead to the perpetration of men's violence. Aussie Farmers Foundation is supporting White Ribbon to implement an online training program. This project will involve the development and dissemination of highly accessible e-learning to strengthen participants understanding of men's violence against women and increase their expertise and effectiveness in its prevention. Funding from the foundation will facilitate delivery of the training to rural and regional communities.



**Orana Inc. (SA) \$11,000**

Orana, in Meningie South Australia operates a Melaleuca Nursery, supplying native plants for revegetation programs and employees are predominately adults with a disability, who work at the nursery plus do the replanting. The grant is for upgrading the irrigation system which will result in an increase in the production of plants for the ongoing planting program.



**Mental Illness Fellowship (QLD) \$20,000**

In rural and regional areas in Queensland, mental health services can be limited or non-existent. For those living in the country Mi Networks links individuals to relevant, up-to-date mental health information, peer support and connections to local community networks, via a national telephone number or email.

The grant provided by Aussie Farmers Foundation will help them roll out this initiative in rural and remote communities in Queensland.



**Sports Challenge Australia (WA) \$20,000**

Sports Challenge has been working with identified 'at risk' young people at Dawul Remote School near Kununurra, WA over the past year. This organisation works directly with youth in world first, life-skills programs which also involves key stakeholders of the community. These programs aim to improve the youths' skills in both mental and physical health. The grant from our foundation will allow Sports Challenge to continue for Year 2 of the program plus deliver the program into St Joseph's school, in central Kununurra.



**Anglicare (VIC) \$15,000**

Anglicare Victoria provides a range of supports for children, young people and families. They are Victoria's largest foster care agency, and a major provider of residential care for young people and of in-home and outreach support to families in which children are at risk. They are working with the rural community of Ararat to develop a coordinated response to the region's key need to engage with its young people and inspire them to reach towards their full potential.

This project's activities are all designed to awaken in young people an understanding of the opportunities that are created by tertiary study or skills training, to develop in them a life-long love of learning, and to expose them to pathways into higher education and learning as they consider their future.

Funds from Aussie Farmers Foundation will support the program in its third year, the critical year when the service model is finalised prior to the commencement of the transition towards greater community ownership. So far, the program has directly impacted more than 1,000 young people.



## **YWCA (NSW) \$26,172**

YWCA NSW started the Community in the Kitchen program in 2007 in response to the identification by a number of local youth and government services of a critical lack of meaningful engagement opportunities in the Northern Rivers region of NSW for young people. With the support of Aussie Farmers Foundation, YWCA NSW can continue to support at-risk young people in this region.

Community in the Kitchen is designed to help young people (aged between 15 and 24 years of age) reach their educational and social potential. The program provides accredited training in Certificate II Hospitality and Certificate II Rural Operations, as well as vocational experience through support from local businesses including YWCA NSW's catering company, Pulse Catering.



## **Amaranth Foundation (NSW/WA/SA/VIC) \$35,000**

Limited out of hour's service provision for clinical and community based services, end of life, living with a life limiting illness and mental health care have been identified as areas with significant gaps in rural Australia. Amaranth Foundation (NSW Riverina) helps bridge these gaps and work collaboratively with rural support workers and rural mental health workers to meet the psychological and supportive needs of farming families.

Aussie Farmers Foundation's grant will fund Amaranth's work to extend further into NSW/NE VIC, rural South Australia and SW Western Australia, to work on a range of issues including succession planning and advanced end of life care.



## **Murray Human Services Inc. (VIC) \$9,881**

Task Force exists to provide meaningful paid employment for adults with disabilities in Echuca, Kerang and Swan Hill and surrounding rural areas. This subsidiary of Murray Human Services (MHS), seeks to develop businesses to suit the skills and competencies of adults with disabilities (Supported Employees).

Funding from Aussie Farmers Foundation will enable Task Force Echuca to establish a paver manufacturing business to provide employment and generate a revenue stream for the organisation.



## **Mission Australia (NSW) \$10,000**

Triple Care Farm (TCF), is a unique residential rehabilitation program specializing in the holistic treatment of young people aged 16 – 24 years, experiencing both mental illness and drug & alcohol addiction. Throughout the year the Farm provides accommodation, support and teaching for approximately 150 young people in crisis, seven days a week for a period of approximately 3 months. Participants are offered after care support for up to 6 months to transition back into the community. Aussie Farmers Foundation has provided support to continue the Educational Life Skills Training Program.



## **Berry Street (VIC)**

**\$10,000**

Berry Street is the largest child and family welfare organisation in Victoria. Many of the children and young people in their residential care services have suffered great distress and significant harm growing up in families where violence, neglect, abuse, trauma and poverty have prevented them from having a good childhood. As a result, they are often overweight and unfit.

Healthy Eating and Active Living (HEAL) is a world-first project providing health and fitness activities for children in Residential Care. HEAL will both work with children to develop individualised health and physical activity programs that are in line with each child's interests; and, provide formal evaluation of the project through research conducted with Deakin University to establish an evidence base for such interventions.

HEAL is being trialled over two years in four regions across Victoria. Aussie Farmers Foundation is funding the healthy eating and physical activities component of the program in Year Two in the Gippsland and Hume regions.



## **Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (National)      \$20,000 + \$16,250**

January's donations (\$20,000) helped the recovery efforts of a number of communities in NSW, Victoria and Queensland that were affected by bushfires or flooding in the summer through a Small Grants Program by the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal. The focus of the program is to help communities take control following a disaster, as well as help restore resilience and create local capacity. Projects funded included those addressing immediate recovery needs, such as the repair of communications equipment and improvement of natural disaster coordination facilities.

2013 is the third year that our foundation has supported FRRR's Back to School program with funds of \$16,500 for \$50 vouchers from local providers in nominated rural towns in VIC/NSW/WA and SA, to students in need. These vouchers are redeemable for items such as school uniforms, clothing, shoes, school bags and stationery items.