

## CENTRECORP FOUNDATION

### OUR GOALS

- To provide benevolent relief to young Aboriginal people whose aspirations and capabilities are constrained by disadvantaged circumstances.
- To enhance the capacities of Aboriginal people to participate fully in vocational, professional, commercial, cultural and social life.

The Centrecorp Foundation was established in 2009 to fund community programs for Aboriginal people of Central Australia. The Centrecorp Foundation is currently budgeted to spend \$1.3m per annum with a further \$200k donated directly by Centrecorp trusts.

### DONATIONS

The focus of the foundation's donation program is towards the core areas of Aboriginal education & training, employment, health & welfare, sport and culture. In addition Centrecorp Foundation has sought to provide material and/or financial support to Aboriginal people – especially young people – who are disadvantaged and unable to fully participate in sporting, educational, cultural and similar activities.

Foundation recipients include:

- The **Graham (Polly) Farmer Foundation** who run school educational support projects for Aboriginal students who have the capacity, interest and potential to go on and complete their secondary education.
- **In School** Programs including Alice Outcomes, Girls at the Centre and Centralian Girls Academy.
- Over **130 Aboriginal students** are currently sponsored to attend local and interstate private schools - including Rostrevor College, Immanuel College, Living Waters Lutheran School, St. Philips College, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic College, Meredin School, Scots College and Araluen Christian School.

### OUR BOARD

The Centrecorp Foundation Board meets monthly to review applications for donations.

Order of preferences for donations:

1. Relief of demonstrated situations of suffering and hardship
2. Access to education for Aboriginal Youth – sponsorship of selected individuals to attend schools
3. Education support – e.g. Graham Polly Farmer; creation of girls rooms at local high schools
4. Assistance to community groups who provide welfare/ health services to Aboriginal people
5. Aids to disabled and elderly – e.g. wheelchair; disabled bus, special equipment
6. Medical, emergency and trauma
7. Youth leadership, role modelling and individual achievement recognition – e.g. awards
8. Health – e.g. community health education
9. Cultural/Musical – e.g. Bush Bands Bash
10. Sporting – e.g. non-recurrent funding to individuals, preference to peak bodies, start-up funding for new teams