

CELEBRATING  
PHILANTHROPY  
IN QUEENSLAND

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**QCF 2019  
PHILANTHROPIST  
OF THE YEAR  
AWARDS**



Queensland  
Community  
Foundation  
*A charitable trust*



Queensland Community Foundation aims to inspire philanthropy and help build capacity for those working toward social equity by investing donations, making distributions and grants, and supporting charities to remain resilient and sustainable.

## **ABOUT QUEENSLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (QCF)**

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QCF is a Charitable Trust, established in 1997 by the Honourable Mike Ahern AO, who remains the QCF Patron today.

The fund has grown substantially, and now returns in excess of \$2 million a year to charities around the state. There is a General Fund and several named Sub Funds. The Sub Funds can be set up to honour an individual or family, who can then nominate recipients of income each year. Or they can be set up by charities to provide them with a sustainable income stream.

QCF has been sponsored by the Public Trustee and QIC since inception ensuring every dollar donated goes to the Fund, with administration costs met by sponsors.

Donations to QCF are enduring. They continue giving back, year after year.

## FROM QCF CHAIR

Philanthropy Week provides the perfect opportunity for QCF to showcase and celebrate Queensland philanthropy in all its rich and diverse forms.

The nominees for the 2019 QCF Philanthropist of the Year Awards include business and community leaders, innovative entrepreneurs, and tireless advocates representing and supporting hundreds of charitable causes. The Awards are in the categories of Corporate, Small-Medium Enterprise (SME), Community, Emerging, and Higher Education. I warmly congratulate all nominees who are great role models creating positive social change for current and future generations. Their generosity ensures our great, diverse and decentralised state remains harmonious and compassionate, even in challenging times.

This year we are delighted to present the inaugural Board of Governors' Outstanding Achievement Award which recognises an individual or organisation for their exceptional and sustained Queensland philanthropy. This award has been designed to address outstanding achievement that does not necessarily fall into the criteria of our existing awards list and may not always be awarded annually.

On behalf of QCF, I thank all involved: our founding sponsors the Public Trustee and QIC; our Philanthropy Week major partners, QUT and The Wagner Family/ Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport;



our Philanthropy Week Media supporters Channel 7, Courier Mail and 4MBS Classic FM; our corporate sponsors; our judges for their diligence and wisdom; our hard-working, dedicated staff; and those who have made time in their busy lives to submit such excellent nominations.

This event is more than a celebration of extraordinary generosity. It provides inspiration, narratives, and challenges. These enable QCF to refine its goals to best shepherd social wealth so that current and future generations can live in an inclusive, diverse and socially cohesive Queensland. Thank you for supporting that vision. Congratulations to all nominees and winners. And welcome to the QCF 2019 Philanthropist of the Year Awards.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margaret McMurdo".

**The Honourable  
Margaret McMurdo AC**  
Chair, Board of Governors  
Queensland Community Foundation

# QCF 2019 PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINEES

## NOMINATED BY

Astrid Jorgensen	Women's Legal Service
Brad Webb	QCF North Queensland
Brisbane Airport Corporation	Museum of Brisbane
Douglas Cory	The Salvation Army
Elliott Australia	S J Hill Foundation and Bryan Foundation
Flight Centre Foundation	Foodbank Queensland
Hand Heart Pocket the Charity of Freemasons Queensland	YellowBridge Queensland Trojans Trek Foundation Help Enterprises Limited Hear and Say – Centre for Deaf Children Limited
Hutchinson Builders	AEIOU Foundation
James C Sourris AM and Marica Sourris	State Library of Queensland & QAGOMA
Lisa Honeychurch Van Riel	BDO (QLD)
Lisa Siganto	Community Queensland Ltd
Mental Health Academy	Mental Health Academy
Neil Carrington	Seven Network
NEXTDC	The Smith Family
Perry Cross	Griffith University
Philip Bacon AM	QUT and 4MBS Classic FM
Sabrina Chakori	Brisbane Tool Library
Scott Williams AM	CQUniversity
Technology One	The Salvation Army Australia
Versace Timbers	Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia

## JUDGING PANEL



### HELEN BESLY

QCF Board of Governors  
Managing Director, Rowland

### AMANDA MACDOUGALL

Executive Director – Client Experience and Delivery  
The Public Trustee

### ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WENDY SCAIFE

Director, The Australian Centre for Philanthropy and Non-Profit Studies  
QUT Business School

### MELISSA IMPIAZZI

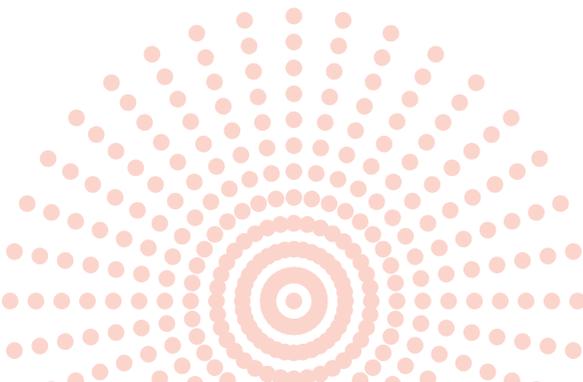
QCF Board of Governors

### FIONA DEADMAN

Senior Producer, Seven Queensland Productions

### ANDREW BAKER

GM Community & Social Investments & QLD State Manager – Perpetual Private





# Awards

# THE INAUGURAL QCF BOARD OF GOVERNORS' AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

## HAND HEART POCKET THE CHARITY OF FREEMASONS QUEENSLAND

Hand Heart Pocket (HHP) was founded by the Freemasons of Queensland, with a history of charity and benevolence spanning more than 110 years. They help communities and individuals across Queensland and Papua New Guinea and give major donations to worthy charities that address areas of significant and under-resourced societal need.

Last Financial Year they donated \$2.8M to this end and they expect to donate over \$3.4M this year.

HHP is committed to creating strength not dependence, so offer a hand up to communities, to other charities and to individuals. They presented 94 grants last Financial Year to fill funding gaps, ensure continuation of essential services and fill areas of unmet need.

Charity partners include Help Enterprises (HELP), Hear and Say, Women's Legal Service Qld, YellowBridge QLD (Toowoomba), Trojan's Trek, Youngcare, Sailability Shorncliffe, 3rd Space (Brisbane), COUCH (Cairns), Camp Quality, the Joyful Foundation (Nth Qld), Pinaroo Aged Care Roma, Guide Dogs Qld & Traction.



# QCF 2019 COMMUNITY PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR

This award recognises an outstanding individual, family or family foundation with a proven record of exceptional financial generosity and leadership to one or more Queensland based non-profit organisations. The successful nominee will demonstrate leadership through their actions, have an established record of outstanding philanthropic support to a diversity of organisations, have demonstrated extraordinary civic and charitable responsibility and also inspire others.

**This award is sponsored  
by the Wagner Family and  
Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport**

The Wagner Family history in Queensland dates back to 1856, positioning this entrepreneurial family as a major contributor to the development of Regional Queensland.

Built by the Wagner Family and opened in 2014, Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport is the first privately funded public airport in Australia, with passenger and cargo services now connecting the region's industries and communities both nationally and internationally.



## PHILIP BACON AM

Philip Bacon is an art dealer and philanthropist, supporting charities all over Australia. Residing in Queensland, Philip has gifted \$1.8 million annually to over 20 charities in Queensland.

Philip was named a Queensland Great in 2009 for dedicated service through roles on boards of cultural authorities, universities and foundations. Known for his wise counsel, transformative giving, and

advocacy for public access, Philip was named a 2017 True Leader by the Australian Financial Review's Boss magazine and was chosen as one of 21 people changing Australia.

Philip exemplifies a philanthropist who is both a giver and a leader. While the scale of Philip's financial gifts is enormous, donating cash gifts and artworks worth millions, Philip is also building a legacy of advancing art in Australia because of his targeted giving, leadership and encouragement of others.

The 5 broad ways Philip has advanced art in Australia:

1. Champion of important work
2. Nurturer of careers
3. Encouragement of philanthropy
4. Advocate of public access
5. Source of 'endless quiet insight' and conduit between artistic and commercial sides of the business

His philanthropy has ensured Australia's art history, including the unique documentary heritage of Australia's commercial galleries, continues to be captured, preserved and promoted to collectors, art professionals, artists, researchers and people with a passion for art.

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***Philip Bacon nominated Brisbane Festival for the \$2,000 donation sponsored by The Wagner Family/ Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport.***

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# QCF 2019 CORPORATE PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR

This award recognises a corporation or business with more than 200 employees that has created a culture of philanthropy within their organisation and has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to philanthropy through its financial support of one or more non-profit organisations. It will also demonstrate leadership, encourage volunteer participation, have an established record of philanthropic support, be a business with a holistic approach to philanthropy, and have produced a measurable charitable impact.

## **This award is sponsored by the Public Trustee of Queensland.**

The Public Trustee has a proud history of serving Queenslanders since 1916. Our specialist services include our free Wills service, making enduring powers of attorney, deceased estate administration, management of investments and trusts, real estate services and financial administration for people with impaired capacity.



## **HUTCHINSON BUILDERS**

Hutchies, an iconic Queensland construction company, is all heart with their core values very much embedded in the idea of investing in relationships, taking care of each other and the community, and working towards a common goal. Passionate about staying connected with their communities, giving back, and doing the right thing, Hutchies has provided support to charities and charitable causes for over 100 years and donates approximately \$3 million per year.

Hutchies continuously innovates to address needs as they identify them. Recent innovations include:

**Hutchinson Honey Bees** – Hutchies is the only company in Australia promoting the establishment of urban bee hives on a national scale. Sustainability is key and Hutchies has stepped up to take responsibility for the social, economic and environmental implications of their work.

**Statim Yaga** – Hutchies is committed to building Indigenous careers in the construction industry. Through their Statim Yaga employment and training program, run in partnership with the Australian Federal Government, they have placed more than 350 candidates into employment since 2015. Hutchies is strongly aligned with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, communities, businesses and individuals.

Hutchies recently bought a mobile coffee business called **Second Shot** which services their office and worksites.

Second Shot employs homeless and disadvantaged people providing them with the opportunity to gain experience, support networks and financial stability.



# QCF 2019 HIGHER EDUCATION PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR

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The QCF Higher Education Philanthropist of the Year Award recognises an outstanding individual, family or family foundation with a proven record of exceptional financial generosity and volunteer leadership to one or more Queensland based tertiary education institutions. The successful nominee will have demonstrated outstanding civic and charitable responsibility, inspired others to philanthropic action, and made significant impact in the Queensland community through leadership in education philanthropy, time, advocacy, financial donations and fundraising.

## **This award is sponsored by QUT.**

QUT is a university with a global outlook and a real-world focus and is at the forefront of innovation and progress in tertiary education. By embracing change and encouraging innovation in learning and teaching, QUT aims to create the next generation of leaders in industry, research and society.

The international award-winning Science and Engineering Centre is home to The Cube, acknowledged as one of the world's largest digital interactive learning and display spaces.

QUT established the world's first Creative Industries Faculty, and they invest heavily in collaborative learning and interdisciplinary research environments.



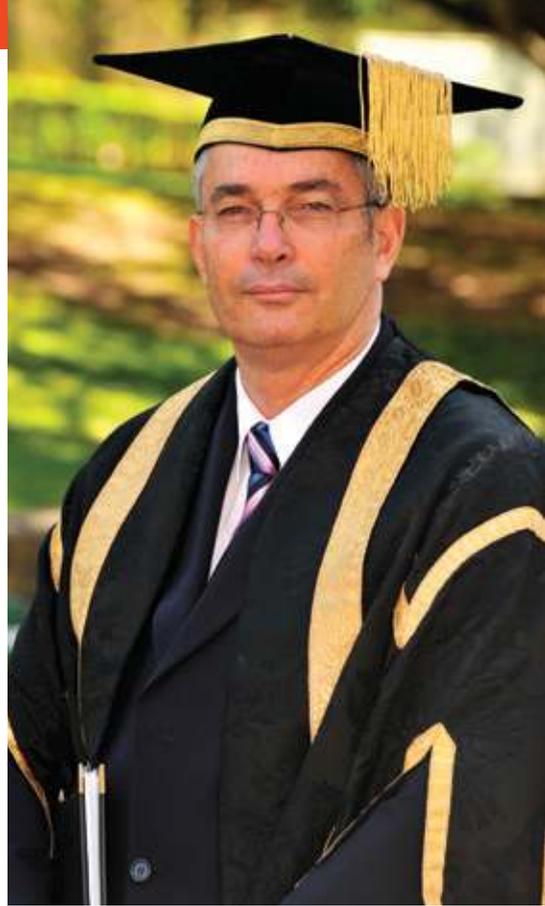
## SCOTT WILLIAMS AM

Scott Williams is an award-winning small business operator and philanthropist recognised for services to local government, business, community radio, higher education and philanthropy. Scott is proud to give back to his community some of the profits generated by his successful businesses.

Setting-up the Scott Williams Foundation as a vehicle for his philanthropy and to maximise the impact of supported initiatives Scott has funded bursaries totaling \$375,000 to Central Queensland University (CQU) and University of the Sunshine Coast (USC) supporting students in financial need and funded 40 students in the Noosa Shire undertaking an undergraduate business degree. These scholarships have been transformative in allowing disadvantaged students to access and succeed at university, which had a huge impact on their families and communities.

Scott joined the USC Council in late 2012 and has been its Deputy Chancellor since 2017. Before relocating to the Sunshine Coast Scott served 15 years on the University of New England Council, including as its Deputy Chancellor, where he donated 69 scholarships for a total value of \$330,000.

Scott further supports tertiary education across Queensland by encouraging school aged children to complete their primary and



secondary education creating a pipeline of talent for tertiary institutions and has sponsored over 700 children through the Smith Family with donations totaling \$400,000.

Scott has had voluntary positions on non-for-profit organisations and local government since the 1980s and is currently a mentor at Mentors Noosa and the Independent Chair of the Noosa Shire Audit Committee.

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**Scott Williams nominated CQ University Scholarship Fund as his charity of choice to receive a \$2,000 donation sponsored by QUT.**

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# QCF 2019 EMERGING PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR

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The QCF Emerging Philanthropist of the Year Award honours an innovative, emerging philanthropist, team of students or giving circle, whose significant early achievements embody the qualities that define philanthropic excellence, including outstanding generosity and creativity. This Award is not about the biggest cheque, or the largest public profile. The Award will recognise an individual, or a group of young people aged 17 – 35 years. The successful nominee will have demonstrated creativity in philanthropic efforts through leadership, voluntary commitment of time, advocacy, financial donations and fundraising. They will be an inspirational role model, whose charitable impact is measurable.

## **This award is sponsored by QIC.**

QIC is a leading long-term specialist manager in alternatives offering infrastructure, real estate, private capital, liquid strategies and multi-asset investments. It is one of the largest institutional investment managers in Australia, with A\$85 billion in funds under management. QIC serves more than 115 clients including governments, pension plans, sovereign wealth funds and insurers, spanning Australia, Europe, Asia, the Middle East and the U.S. Headquartered in Brisbane, QIC partners with the Public Trustee of Queensland to invest and manage QCF's funds.

*Figures as at 31 December 2018.*

The logo for QIC, consisting of the letters 'QIC' in a bold, red, sans-serif font.

## ASTRID JORGENSEN

Astrid Jorgensen is the founder and driving force behind Pub Choir. With a social media following of close to 50,000 on Facebook and 40,000 on Instagram she is a key Queensland influencer to a broad cross section of the community and leverages her large social media presence in a positive way demonstrating her commitment to making a difference with an innovative approach to philanthropy.

Each Pub Choir session involves learning a song and partnering with a local charity to raise awareness and significant funds. In doing so Astrid has created an innovative, accessible and positive platform for community engagement and change.

Her model seems simple, however it involves great vision and leadership as evidenced by the fact the Pub Choir events for charity attract thousands and sell out in minutes, generating funds for on the ground services and medical research.

Over the past two years, Astrid has singlehandedly raised almost \$140,000 for charities and individuals such as: Love Your Sister; MND & Me; Second Chance Program; Black Rainbow; Fleur Barron (specifically for a young girl's wheelchair); Red House; OzHarvest; Share The Dignity; Children's Ground and VOTSA.



**Astrid nominated Women's Legal Service as her charity of choice to receive a \$2,000 donation sponsored by QIC**

# QCF 2019 SME PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR

The QCF SME Philanthropist of the Year Award recognises a small business with less than 200 employees whose grass-roots level of charitable support has impacted the local community. The successful nominee will have an established record of philanthropic support in regional Queensland, a business with a holistic approach to philanthropy. Their actions will have had a measurable charitable impact.

## JOINT RECIPIENTS: VERSACE TIMBERS AND ELLIOTT AUSTRALIA

### VERSACE TIMBERS

Versace Timbers, has been serving Queensland since 1956. As their industry is male dominated the organisation thought it appropriate to help spread the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia (PCFA) message. Through the support of their suppliers, customers and staff they actively raise funds through raffles, auctions and charity golf days.

Managing Director Graham Leddy says, "We are humbled to have played a small part in raising vital funds into the research of Prostate Cancer and raise awareness that this terrible disease is curable if detected early and the importance of being proactive rather than reactive, particularly if there is a family history."

Versace Timbers also supports local sporting clubs, the Scout Group and Lawnton Kindergarten with goods-in-kind, employee volunteer and sponsorship. They sponsor the Special Children's Christmas Party each year by providing them with rides, entertainment, stage shows and Christmas presents.



Other charities they have supported include A Ride to Conquer Cancer, Swim4kids, Breast Cancer, Movember, Fred Hollows Foundation, Legacy, RACQ Lifeflight Rescue, Guide Dogs and The Kokoda Youth Foundation.

## ELLIOTT AUSTRALIA

Elliott Australia supports the GingerCloud Foundation, founded to support families whose children learn and perceive differently. Founder and Managing Director Anthony Elliott donates approximately 20% of his time and expertise as a Director of GingerCloud Foundation.

The Modified Rugby Program (MRP) is a new, modified form of touch-only rugby, developed by GingerCloud Foundation, where boys and girls with a learning and perceptual disability have their own club Player/Mentor on the field supporting them through the program.

Children experience the sheer thrill of playing rugby, often for the first time and in many cases their first experience of team sport. The MRP

aims to move boys and girls with learning and perceptual disabilities off the sidelines and into the main game as part of their local junior rugby club community.

At its core, the MRP is about helping children experience success in line with their own development. The program embodies the essence of rugby, a sport which embraces inclusion and diversity.

The MRP brings families and communities together who, traditionally, would not have the chance to participate in a team sport at their local club.

From 1 team of 16 participants in 2014, the MRP community has grown to include 24 teams within 3 MRP divisions across QLD/ACT.



# QCF 2019 PHOTO CHALLENGE

## PHILANTHROPY IN FOCUS

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Using the power of photography to reflect philanthropy, Queenslanders were challenged to capture a moment of kindness, generosity, compassion, thoughtfulness, benevolence or giving.

We were thrilled to receive a record number of entries in 2019 – 114 from across the state, shining a light on kindness, philanthropy and doing good.

### Supported by Northern Trust

Northern Trust is a global leader in wealth management, asset servicing, asset management and banking. It is dedicated not only to meeting the needs of clients and shareholders but has built a culture of giving back since 1889. In the last decade, Northern Trust employees volunteered nearly 120,000 hours in 2018 working for the greater good of their communities and Northern Trust has contributed more than \$120 million to non-profit and non-government organisations worldwide.



**NORTHERN  
TRUST**

“It was a great honour and difficult task to judge the 2019 QCF Photo Challenge. There were so many great entries representing the diversity of philanthropy and kindness across Queensland. The stories behind each image were inspiring and moving.

We collectively decided to look for images where the subject was representing philanthropy in action, and where the image could stand alone without necessarily knowing the story behind it.”

### Nic Marchesi,

Co-Founder Orange Sky Australia and  
2019 QCF Photo Challenge judge

### JUDGING PANEL

#### Simon Gaites

Northern Trust

#### Nadeyn Barbieri

QUT

#### Nic Marchesi

Orange Sky Australia



## 2019 WINNER QCF PHOTO CHALLENGE – PHILANTHROPY IN FOCUS JUDGES' CHOICE

**Title of Work:** Giving is timeless

**Name of Subject:** Zoe

**Submitted By:** Lee Pinwell in support of Foodbank Queensland

**Photo Essay:** Come rain or shine the volunteers from Community Friends are there every Wednesday, unpacking and supplying fresh produce to the local community.

Zoe, affectionately known as Auntie by the regulars, knows their faces, their likes and dislikes and their stories. She makes sure those in need have enough fresh fruit and vegetables to last the week, is always up for a good gossip with the familiar faces and checks in with those who are new.

But volunteering is much more than helping those in need, each

week Zoe is able to catch up with her community, her friends and neighbours. No act of kindness, no matter how small is ever wasted.

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**Lee Pinwell nominated Foodbank Queensland as the charity of choice to receive a \$2,000 donation sponsored by Northern Trust.**

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Foodbank is the largest hunger relief organisation in Australia – servicing over 2,000 charities in every state and territory to enable them to provide food to 710,000 people a month. In 1995 Foodbank Queensland was founded by "Mr Queensland Clem Jones AO" and Ian Brusasco AO. Foodbank Queensland quickly scaled up to achieve significant volume, working closely with the abundance of fruit and vegetable farmers in the state. Foodbank Queensland is now helping to feed almost 200,000 people every month.

## 2019 QCF PHOTO CHALLENGE RUNNERS UP (IN NO ORDER)



### 2019 FINALIST

Photo by Andrew Denford titled 'Learning to Trust' in support of AEIOU Foundation.



### 2019 FINALIST

Photo by Kylie Kirkegaard titled 'Ethan Smiles' from The Twin Mum Photography in support of Heart Kids Queensland.



### 2019 FINALIST

Photo by Russell Shakespeare titled 'Crossroad Arts' featuring Georgia Knoll in support of Crossroad Arts.



### 2019 FINALIST

Photo by Renee Curran featuring Westmore and his nurse Lynn in support of Wishlist.

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**POOL SIDE**

**HAPPY HOUR**

**2pm - 5pm**

**\$10 COCKTAILS, \$5 WINE & BEER\***

**NEXT  
HOTEL**

**BRISBANE**

**HEAD UP TO LEVEL 4 TO THE POOL TERRACE + BAR**



**QCF 2019 PHILANTHROPY WEEK**

**INCORPORATES**

**QCF PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR AWARDS**

**QCF PHOTO CHALLENGE – PHILANTHROPY IN FOCUS**

Thank you



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Please contact us for more information about philanthropy, QCF,  
or to be a part of QCF Philanthropy Week next year.

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