



WHO ARE WE?



Hastings Education Fund (HEF) is a community based organisation providing financial assistance and support to students in our local area as they transition from school into further education, training and apprenticeships.

Grants are based on two main criteria: **commitment** and **circumstantial need**.

Assistance is given in the form of reimbursement to cover fees, textbooks, accommodation, laptops, tools of the trade and other costs associated with further education and training.

Since its inception in 2011, HEF has assisted 150 local students.

WHO FUNDS US?

Most funds are raised through:

- **Sponsorship** by local individuals, community groups and businesses
- **Fundraising activities** - a golf day and major raffle

Some additional funds may be received through university co-funding and donations from individuals and community groups.

HOW ARE GRANTS DISTRIBUTED?

- Students submit an online application in August/September
- Interviews are conducted in November
- Successful applicants receive grants when their enrolments are confirmed
- In 2017, HEF was able to distribute **\$72,282** in reimbursements to 32 students in pursuit of further study.

WHO ADMINISTERS THE FUND?

A committee of twenty volunteers including:

- Patrons: John Ross OAM and Helen Ross OAM
- Chairperson: Jim O'Brien
- Vice Chair: Warren Burke

Office bearers include Joy Corben (Secretary), Chen Gaul (Treasurer), Dr Julie McLeod (Student Committee) and Christina Parkin (Publicity and Promotions).



Above - (L to R) HEF recipients Montanah Terry, Brittani Harris, Sam Prohm, with Diamond Sponsor 'Lewis Land Group' CEO Chris Calvert and HEF Chair Jim O'Brien at CSU University

Top left - HEF recipient Benjamin Clarke with HEF Chair Jim O'Brien

*We encourage local youth to **DREAM** of a successful future and **BELIEVE** in themselves knowing that the Hastings Education Fund is there to support them and help them **ACHIEVE** their career goals*

SPONSORSHIP

The most important and popular source of funding is from sponsorship by businesses and individuals from the Hastings which starts with a Gold Sponsorship for \$1,000 per annum.

Unlike many charitable organisations, 100% of HEF sponsorship funds go to successful applicants.

Administrative costs such as printing are funded through value in-kind support and remaining expenses are covered by fundraising and promotional grants.



SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS	GOLD SPONSOR \$1,000+ p/a	PLATINUM SPONSOR \$2,000+ p/a	DIAMOND SPONSOR \$5,000+ p/a
100% TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION	✓	✓	✓
Become part of a community network supporting local youth reach their career goals	✓	✓	✓
Recognition of your support on local radio and in newspaper advertorial	✓	✓	✓
Logo/name recognition in quarterly HEF newsletter plus at any HEF event presentations	✓	✓	✓
Receive a HEF window decal for display acknowledging your support	✓	✓	✓
Invitation to mid-year Appreciation Event to update you on progress of recipients	x 2	x 3	x 4
Invitation to Annual Presentation Gala to meet new grant recipients	x 2	x 3	x 4
Representative to make presentation to grant recipients at Annual Presentation Gala		✓	✓
Opportunity to make keynote address at Annual Presentation Gala		✓	✓
EVERY DOLLAR YOU CONTRIBUTE GOES DIRECTLY TO LOCAL STUDENTS	✓	✓	✓

How can you help?

PLEDGE YOUR SUPPORT IN ONE OF TWO WAYS



1 EMAIL:

Register your interest in becoming a sponsor to:
hastingseducationfund@gmail.com

2 ONLINE:

Visit **www.hef.org.au** to make a donation or monthly deduction

Please make the notation that your payment is for 'HEF'



HEF is affiliated with the Country Education Foundation which has operated since 1993 and assisted more than 4,000 rural and regional young Australians on their way to further education, training and careers.

The Country Education Foundation supports local networks of funds and partners with tertiary institutions and corporate and philanthropic organisations across the country to provide additional funding and support to CEF local grants and scholarship recipients.