



STUDENT IMPACT REPORT 2020

Country Education Foundation (CEF) is a national not-for-profit organisation helping rural and regional youth access education, training and jobs through grants, scholarships, support services and resources.

EDUCATION CHANGES LIVES. AND FAMILIES. AND COMMUNITIES.



663

Individual students awarded grants or scholarships

Despite the challenges of 2020, with your help, CEF has continued to increase support for rural and regional youth to continue their education and training.

\$1,302,462

Value of grants and scholarships given

+

\$453,178

Value of education partner funding

=

\$1,755,640

Value of support provided by CEF in 2020

*Monetary figures subject to audit

SINCE 1993

we have provided rural and regional students with;

6132

 individual grants and scholarships

\$12,693,534

 in financial support

FOR EVERY \$1
DONATED TO CEF,
\$4.99 IS PROVIDED IN
SOCIAL RETURN

\$1 = \$4.99



* 2019 Independent report by 180 Degrees Consulting



WHY WE SUPPORT CEF

David Smithers AM Treasurer, CEF Australia

"Education gives those who acquire it self respect. By supporting education, I believe the effect will be multiplied many times over."



Through the network of regional committees, CEF is steadily increasing reach and with the help of university and corporate partners, the delivery capability continues to expand and improve. The results of Country Education Foundation of Australia are simply outstanding."

Bec Thistlethwaite Volunteer, CEF Namoi

"The most rewarding part for me is seeing our students succeed. It's a really tough thing to uproot your life and leave your support networks to move to the city, but a lot of these students will bring back the skills they learn and share them with and support the community when they return. I really admire our young people for doing so and it's fantastic for our region."



Chris & Jo Millett Millett Family Foundation

"We believe that education is the most powerful force in alleviating disadvantage, and we feel that it is important to support an organisation that makes a genuine difference to educational outcomes in rural and regional communities."



We value the opportunities that CEF provides by helping local communities to support rural youth so that they can pursue their passions and achieve further education milestones. We love that the rural youth are supported and mentored, and also that they update CEF on their progress and achievements."

Stuart Upton MQ Programs and Pathways Manager & Interim Head, Widening Participation, Macquarie University

"Macquarie University's collaborative partnership with CEF has enabled students from regional, rural and remote areas to access post-school educational opportunities."



Connecting and supporting students to participate in university-level learning is important for empowering students as individual learners as well as assisting regional, rural and remote communities to thrive as resilient, prosperous and future focused places."

STUDENT STORIES



"I'd highly recommend that any apprentices from rural and regional areas apply for a grant from CEF. Starting my apprenticeship was the best thing I have ever done, I wish I had started sooner."

Callum Furner
CEF Goulburn Grant and Snow Foundation Scholarship Recipient
Cert III in Bricklaying, TAFE NSW & Tibbles Bricklaying

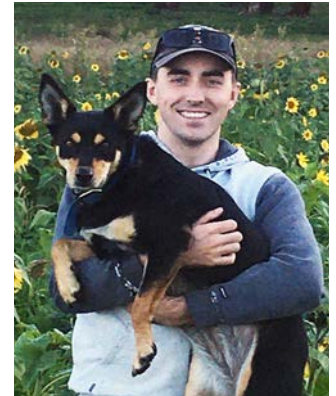


"The grant I received from CEF helped fund a new laptop that I desperately needed!!"

It is a huge relief knowing that my 2000 word essay will not randomly delete from my laptop days before it is due.

This is very motivating as I continue into Semester two so thank you."

Sarah Lambert
CEF Snowy Monaro Grant Recipient
B. Social Work/B. Psychology
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT)



"The funds have really helped this year, helping me to pay for both my accommodation and for all of my textbooks, which really are quite expensive."

I have a great relationship with my local foundation and would look to be involved with a local foundation and CEF in the future."

Joseph Hodges
CEF Grenfell Grant Recipient
B. Economics and Business Analytics, Macquarie University

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continue to support rural and regional
students by becoming a partner,
sponsor or donor.**

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