

August 2020

Sunnyfield Matters



Above
Michael at Employment
Services Mt Druitt.

Message from the CEO and Chair

Dear clients, families, guardians and friends of Sunnyfield,

This message comes from us at a time when many of our families, friends and fellow Australians are facing increasingly difficult challenges. This situation caused us to reflect even further on the challenges Sunnyfield has faced in 2020, and the fact that it has only been with the support of the whole Sunnyfield community that we have been able to achieve what we have. For that, as always, we thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, Sunnyfield has not had to say 'no' to any person with disability that asked us for support. Whether we were online, in their home, or in one of our facilities, we were there to help support them.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact all of us, Sunnyfield, through our dedicated and caring staff, is every day continuing to provide support services for the people with disability who rely on and need us. Many of our services have adapted and changed to meet government and health authority safety guidelines. But no matter how our services have modified, we are focussed on why Sunnyfield exists – to support people with disability to achieve the life they choose.

Sunnyfield has also been working hard to make sure we are prepared for the future, and to build an adaptable and resilient

organisation that will be able to support people with disability for a long time to come.

We were delighted to receive, in May, confirmation from the NSW government that the five year project to transfer the ownership to Sunnyfield of two Crown lands sites – 2 Martin Luther Place and 185 Allambie Road, Allambie Heights – had concluded with the issuance of a Vesting Order effective 25 May 2020.

We are excited for the future and the immense benefit this transfer will have, in enabling Sunnyfield to continue our Mission, to enrich the lives of people with disability by creating choice, opportunities and skills for life, through person-centred active-support services. Our commitment to the people and government of NSW is that, in return, Sunnyfield will invest further in our services by upgrading infrastructure at Allambie Heights and expanding the reach of services for people with disability across the state.

While the full impact of COVID-19 and its economic impact remain uncertain, the Sunnyfield Board and Management have implemented a more agile planning and budgeting process for FY21. This will assist us in recognising and reacting to the rapidly changing circumstances of the broader economy and the way in which it may affect Sunnyfield and our operations.

Sunnyfield's FY21 strategy includes: investment in training and staff development to improve the delivery of quality support services; transforming our business systems and technology to meet the future needs of clients and customers; and improving our quality, risk and compliance management processes to support the service excellence, capability, and longevity of Sunnyfield.

We will continue to focus on the safety, health and wellbeing of the Sunnyfield community; the quality of our customer and client service delivery; and being ready for the challenges, changes and opportunities of the future.

Thank you to the people with disability, and their families, guardians and carers, who choose Sunnyfield as their service provider and trusted partner.

Karen Ingram Sunnyfield Board Chair
Caroline Cuddihy Sunnyfield CEO

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KICKING GOALS & BUILDING BRIGHT FUTURES

The Sunnyfield community



1 Katherine from Petterd House getting crafty in the ACT.

2 Sylvia expanding her sewing skills at Blacktown Hub.

3 John shooting a few hoops at Singleton Hub.

4 Virtual programs delivered to clients at home in the Hunter.

5 6 Our new short-term accommodation facility at Allambie Heights.

7 Bringing the café home during lockdown.

8 9 10 11 Our new Kemps Creek Hub in Western Sydney.

12 Singleton Hub with their Aboriginal art project, created to celebrate NAIDOC Week.

13 Sea Breeze resident celebrating Christmas in July.

14 Ethan celebrating his 25th birthday at Muswellbrook Hub.

15 Leanne cooking up a storm at Kemps Creek Hub.

16 Tamworth Hub have been busy creating their own beanies to keep them warm through this chilly weather.

17 Jonty from Port Stephens Hub making the most of the sunny weather, getting outdoors for a bike ride around his local park.

18 Long Xing from Mount Druitt Enterprises combining his love of art and recycling together to create a passion project at his workplace.

GET ACTIVE THIS AUGUST



Get active and support people with disability to be active!

Sunnyfield's Active August fundraising campaign supports people with disability to be active. 100% of donations received goes towards funding activities such as dance classes, music and movement programs, surfing lessons, exercise equipment and more!

You can:

- Donate to our Active August fundraising page or
- Create your own personal challenge and ask friends and family to support you. This could be walking, cycling, swimming, running, push ups, sit ups, the opportunities are endless!

Go to www.sunnyfield.org.au/activeaugust and donate or get involved.

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Tweed Head Hub surfing up a storm.

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Christian trying out his new gym mats at Guildford Hub.

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Gordy showing off a few dance moves.

Feedback

We're not only in the business of improving lives, we also are in the business of improving the way we do it. So, if you have any feedback about the things we have done well, or the things we could do better, then please get in contact and send an email to our confidential email account at feedback@sunnyfield.org.au

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