



**BUDERIM**  
**FOUNDATION**  
*Our Foundation... Our Future*



## FACT SHEET 2022

The goal of the Buderim Foundation is to enrich the quality of life of the Buderim and broader Sunshine Coast communities through community based philanthropy.

The concept is simple. Donations and bequests to the Foundation are carefully invested, and income from the investments is distributed as grants to not-for-profit organisations.

Many people in Buderim love where they live and want to preserve the community for younger generations. To date, 210 people have donated money and approximately 50 locals volunteer their time and expertise as Directors and committee members.

Thanks largely to three major sponsors who provide significant financial support, the actual donations, which can be tax deductible, are never spent. So, these donations, however small, last forever and accumulate along with donations from like-minded people. We thank Buderim Pharmacy, EdenLea on Buderim and Sunshine Toyota for their ongoing sponsorship and strong community spirit.

Since the Community Grants Program started in 2008, grants worth nearly \$672,000 have been awarded to 87 not-for-profit Buderim organisations. Grants of up to \$10,000 per project are available. Strict guidelines apply.

In April 2021, philanthropists Roy and Nola Thompson entrusted over \$5 million to the Buderim Foundation and an additional grants program which has been called the Buderim Foundation Thompson Fund was established. Grants from this fund are designed specifically for organisations providing support to those in financial need across the whole Sunshine Coast. In 2021 grants worth \$110,000 were provided to four organisations.

The Foundation, which was launched in 2004 by the then Governor General, Quentin Bryce, has a Board of ten directors and eight working committees - Philanthropy, Investment, Grants, Events, Youth, Marketing, Finance and Governance.

The Foundation's not just about philanthropy and grants, however. A variety of events organised by the Foundation each year bring the community together. Morning teas at grant recipient venues, happy hours and long lunches are enjoyed by many of the Foundation's 400 Ambassadors.

In retrospect, the Foundation is an amazing example of an organisation managed by community-wide effort allowing each of us to make a meaningful difference to where we live.

***For more information visit the Foundation website at [www.buderimfoundation.org.au](http://www.buderimfoundation.org.au) or call (07) 5456 1757 or email us: [info@buderimfoundation.org.au](mailto:info@buderimfoundation.org.au)***

Buderim Foundation is proudly sponsored by



Sunshine Toyota



Buderim Foundation is proudly supported by the Sunshine Coast Council's Community Partnership Funding Program



[www.buderimfoundation.org.au](http://www.buderimfoundation.org.au)