

PRESS KIT

Our | supporters

"You are the true heroes and give kids with little hope an understanding that they still matter. Thank you for what you do. Because of your work kids can chase their dream."

Former NSW Premier. Mike Baird via facebook

"The transparency, efficiency, passion and outcomes that The Burdekin Association achieve is to be applauded. To work with them on a housing project and see how they diligently and efficiently achieved value for money, which in turn ensured the children and carers were awarded with an amazing home was a credit to the amazing staff."

Ian Menzies, National Director, Quantity Surveyor, WT Partnership



Brad Hazzard
Bondi Rescue
Christopher Wilkins
Home Sweet 2017 Event

Community supporters



COMMUNITY PARTNERS

SOMETIMES WE NEED A HELPING HAND

Our community partners are champions for our cause and come to our aid when we need a helping hand.



HOME SWEET 2017



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RENOVATION



KITCHEN FITTING

BENEFICIARIES OF

SOMETIMES ORGANISATIONS FUNDRAISE FOR US
We have been lucky enough to be the beneficiaries of some amazing initiatives



SLEEPOVER



MELBOURNE CUP



SEAFORTH ARTS



MOUNTIES CUP

Annual Charity Golf Day 2017



CROMER GOLF CLUB



JOHN J BRIGGS

ASSOCIATES
ACCREDITED BUILDING CERTIFIERS
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EPIC HAIR



Col Crawford Lifestyle Cars
what drives you, drives us.



SJB Interiors



FRENCHS FOREST

Fundraising | events

Annual Charity Golf Day

May Cromer Golf Club – major annual fundraiser

Pub2Pub

Annual charity fun-run on the Northern Beaches

Bridge Relay

Annual charity fundraiser for homelessness

Camp Burdekin

2016 Christmas appeal

Home Sweet 2017

Annual charity fundraiser for homelessness

Peninsula Pals

Annual charity fundraiser by Peninsula Pals for Melbourne Cup Day

We support



Media | mentions

Quietly Transforming Kids Lives - *Pittwater Life* 04.2016



Couch-surfing is homelessness in another guise - *Daily Telegraph* 18.08.2015



The Secret History of Me – *The Australian* 24.06.2010



Christian Wilkins Set to Host a Sydney Fundraiser for Homeless People – *Daily Telegraph* 05.09.2017

The Burdekin Association asks for support in fight to keep foster care services - *Manly Daily* 12.04.17



Burdekin vital to helping homeless - *Manly Daily* 22.08.2014



The Burdekin Association asks for support in fight to keep foster care services - *Manly Daily* 12.04.17



Northern Beaches Burdekin at risk - *Manly Daily* 23.10.14



Home Sweet Home, Bunnings staff fit kitchen for homeless kids – *Daily Telegraph* 14.01.2015



Diggers Gives Burdekin Sixty Thousand Reasons to Smile – *MeKong Mounties* 08.09.2017



Homeless Youth Campaign Gets Corporate Boost from PwC – *Housing Info* 26.07.2017



About | us

The Burdekin Association is the Northern Beaches longest service youth service, using innovative and industry leading support practices to prevent a homelessness 'career' - instead guiding our young people to fully functional adults

The Burdekin Association is a youth housing and support program that takes clients from the street to self-sufficient adults. The Burdekin model of care is innovative and based on extensive research. The continuum of care identifies, supports and assists clients aged 12-24 to move successfully out of the 'homeless career' and into adult life as a self-sufficient citizen.

- Burdekin model proposed by Brian Burdekin in the seminal 1989 report 'Our Homeless Children.
- The different facets of the program supported by over 37 different research studies and papers conducted around youth housing issues.
- Burdekin selected to coordinate the Pilot Northern Beaches Project, partnering with schools in innovative early intervention.
- Industry recognition

Our staff are committed to providing quality care and support for young people at risk of, or facing homelessness and their families, and are comprised of a chief executive officer, administration support, program and case managers.

The | need

What happens when you become homeless?

Move away – you often move schools, sometimes you stop going.

Lost connections – you often lose contact and support from family and friends.

Miss out – you miss out on basic needs like food, clothes and doctors.

Become isolated – it is lonely and frightening, you feel rejected and often become ill – mentally and physically.

Survive – you do what you can to survive including numbing the pain with drugs and alcohol.

Why | we are needed

We believe all kids and youth have a right to live in safe, quality housing with care and support, education and community engagement.

The strong, direct and personal support provided by our Case Managers allows our clients to focus on education, learning important life skills and making friends rather than worrying about where they will sleep and eat.

- Clients are provided with one Case Manager throughout their time at Burdekin who liaises with the other service providers where needed.
- Community Care clients are placed into small family style arrangements to mimic the family home.
- Clients are housed in their local area, allowing education and friendships to continue.
- Staff turnover at Burdekin is very low at 7.7% average yearly turnover ensuring that clients receive consistent care.

The Burdekin Association has the proven capacity to collaborate effectively with other agencies for the benefit and wellbeing of young people across the Northern Beaches.

- Families are supported to prevent homelessness where possible.
- Communities are engaged to assist at risk youth.