

Join us at the table

Board of Benevolence

2021-24 Purpose-led Strategy



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About us

Hand Heart Pocket is a philanthropic foundation established by the Freemasons of Queensland with a history of helping the community for more than 110 years.

Our purpose is to partner for change for people in need. We work with strategic partners who deliver positive change for people across Queensland and Papua New Guinea, particularly young people at risk. We also engage with our Members through local community partnerships, giving, and volunteering as well as hardship and disaster relief for Queenslanders in times of need. This work is built on foundations of strong governance, and the ongoing protection and leveraging of our capital and assets

Our values

Generous Humanity

We honour Freemason traditions of empathy, respect, friendship, and giving to those in need.

Optimistic Thinking

We approach challenges with an optimistic mindset to inspire creative solutions and positive change.

Open Collaboration

We actively collaborate with each other and our partners to achieve shared goals.

Purposeful Risk-taking

We apply judgement to unlock opportunities and take risks, that deliver impact and rewards.

Authentic Impact

We align our actions with our intentions and strive for meaningful and transparent contributions to society.



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Our purpose is to partner for change for people in need

Like a strong table is a place we gather, to share food, work, learn and live with the people we love, Hand Heart Pocket builds partnerships that are strong supportive places where people – young and old – come together.

Through our [local community partnerships](#), our Members bring their time, money and experience to the table to work alongside their local community to address local needs.

Through our [strategic youth-focused partnerships](#), young people work together with the important people in their lives, to be safe, build their relationships, get healthy, learn, work and achieve the outcomes they need to thrive in adult life.

And like a cool green park that provides fresh air and shade, Hand Heart Pocket invests in [change and growth in the environment and community around young people](#) so they have the structures, protections and belonging they need to thrive.

Our [strong governance, investment income and members' engagement](#) in their community are the ground underneath us that support our partnerships and grow our ecosystems.

Our goal is to enable 10,000 young people to have the outcomes they need to thrive in adult life.



Our measured approach

As the largest philanthropic foundation in Queensland, we have an opportunity to work with others to tackle one of the most pressing social issues of our time: the lack of support for young people facing hardship and adversity.

By collaborating with other funders, academics, and community leaders, we can contribute to building the social systems and structures needed for future generations to thrive.

That's why we're committing most of our giving to strategic partnerships with organisations who support young people, and investing in capability building for the leaders of these organisations.

We're focused on achieving our goal – to ensure that by 2030, 10,000 of Queensland's at-risk young people have the outcomes they need to thrive in adult life.

We have worked with experts to develop specific, clear outcomes for young people that will provide measures of our progress toward our goal.

Our refined Youth Outcomes Measurement Framework guides our investment in evidence-based programs and initiatives that support young people at risk.

With our partners we will measure evidence of young people gaining experiences and skills, such as being able to seek support for emotional and mental health struggles, being engaged in learning and training, or improved family stability.

Together, we will demonstrate the value of investment in programs and initiatives that support long-term, positive change for young people.

