

# Queensland Foster and Kinship Care Conference 2020



The Challenge of Change Shaping the Future

**1 - 3 May 2020**

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**Angel Identity**



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## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF QUEENSLAND FOSTER AND KINSHIP CARE INC. (QFKC)

In May 2020 QFKC will be hosting another Queensland Foster and Kinship Care Conference. Taking place at the Novotel Sunshine Coast Resort (formerly Twin Waters Resort) on Queensland's beautiful Sunshine Coast, a place we have fond memories of as the venue for our 2016 Conference, and the celebration of 40 years as an organisation providing advice, support and advocacy to Foster and Kinship Carers right across the state.

The 2016 QLD Conference saw over 400 delegates participate in 22 workshops and 2 keynote presentations over 2 days of networking and fellowship. Again in 2017 we celebrated similar participation with our QLD Conference this time hosted in Cairns, providing carers local to the region an opportunity to attend an event closer to home. In 2018 QFKC hosted the National Foster and Kinship Care Conference on the Gold Coast, an action packed event with over 800 participants including carers, and child protection sector workers both government and non-government represented from all states and territories of Australia.

QFKC represents more than 5300 Foster and Kinship Carer families in Queensland, and the Conference provides a wonderful opportunity to bring together like-minded people such as carers, government and non-government staff to participate in professional development, network and have fun.

Our Conference theme “**The Challenge of Change, Shaping the Future**” draws upon the outcomes and feedback from our 2019 carer forums where carers together with agency and departmental staff not only expressed current challenges within the child protection system they also identified positive change that can shape the future and enhance the lives of our children and young people.

As the Conference planning progresses, updates will be shared on the QFKC website and via our Facebook page.

Sponsorship opportunities are limited, so I encourage you to consider favorably the information in this package and contact us if you require further details.



**Bryan Smith**  
Executive Director  
Queensland Foster and Kinship Care Inc.  
[www.qfkc.com.au/conference](http://www.qfkc.com.au/conference)

## ABOUT QFKC

QFKC is a registered and charitable non-government organisation, the membership of which is open to all Foster, Kinship and Provisionally Approved Carers, and supporters (workers and other individuals), with associate membership being open to organisations. QFKC provides support, advice and advocacy to Foster and Kinship Carers and the children and young people for whom they care. The organisation was founded in 1976 and continues to be successful in securing Queensland Government funding to assist in the daily operations of the association.

## STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT OF QFKC

As the peak body representing all Foster, Kinship and Provisionally Approved Carers throughout Queensland, the organisation is managed by a committee of volunteers who are all active carers themselves. QFKC employs professional staff to assist with the support and advocacy of carers and exists because of the high level of commitment, dedication and energy of those involved, who provide:

- Individual advice, support and advocacy for all carers
- Development and facilitation of practice based training
- Social and fundraising activities
- Advice/support through QCAT proceedings
- Broad policy and practice development advice
- Support to children with disabilities in foster and kinship care
- Carer events and conferences

In addition, QFKC manages the Foster Carer Advocacy and Support Team (FAST) to provide information, support and assistance to carers throughout the state. Our FAST team are all specially trained local Foster and Kinship Carers who volunteer to provide advice, support and advocacy on behalf of other carers. They are regionally based, therefore carers have a number of different representatives to access within their region.

## WHY SUPPORT THE CONFERENCE?

- Raise a state profile and presence in the Child Protection and Family Based Care sector
- Ability to engage other service providers and senior government staff
- Communicate your commitment and support for the Child Protection and Family Based Care sector
- Develop personal and direct relationships with new and existing services and individuals
- Promote your services and programs
- Add substance and value to your brand
- Ongoing building of a quality data base of likeminded individuals and programs
- Help support Qld Foster and Kinship Care's **Angel Identity** program in expanding the range of services we provide to families who have lost a loved one.

## WHAT IS ANGEL IDENTITY?

**Angel Identity** was established to help families honour the memory of a child in care who has passed away.

More often than not, following such a tragedy, birth families do not have the financial ability to provide a physical and permanent memorial by way of headstones or plaques for these children due to the expense of such items.

**Angel Identity**, through QFKC and Althea Projects, seeks to ensure that these families have what they need and more importantly, ensure the dignity of the child or young person is maintained.

## HISTORY OF ANGEL IDENTITY?

**Angel Identity** was formed in 2008, through staff from the Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women, Althea Projects and Queensland Foster and Kinship Care visiting the final resting place of a young person in Charters Towers who had been in care.

All were saddened to find the dusty memorial had no permanent headstone, no way to identify who he was, when he was born, or when God had called him home.

Together, QFKC and Althea Projects staff set about restoring some dignity for this young person and their family by raising funds to provide a permanent memorial, a simple but eternal way to honour this young person.

From this time **Angel Identity** has evolved from not only a fund that preserves dignity of children and young people who have sadly passed away but also through assisting grieving family members in various ways. **Angel Identity** will also assist families with other significant identified needs such as disability aids.

**Every child  
has the right  
to their  
identity,  
FOREVER**

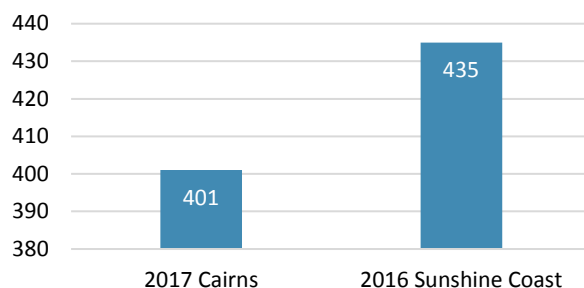


Queensland Foster and Kinship Care Inc. is a Not for Profit Charity and as such does not seek to make profit from any event it undertakes. Although not expected, any profits will go directly to the Angel Identity fund.

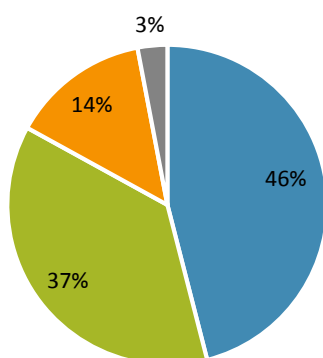
In 2018 QFKC was granted Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status with the Australian Taxation Office. Gift donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

## A LOOK AT THE NUMBERS

### Conference Attendees

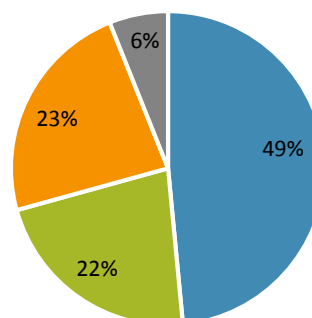


### 2017 Conference Attendees Cairns



■ Foster & Kinship Carers
 ■ Agency Workers  
■ Child Safety Workers
 ■ Others

### 2016 Conference Attendees Sunshine Coast



■ Foster & Kinship Carers
 ■ Agency Workers  
■ Child Safety Workers
 ■ Others

## CONFERENCE TESTIMONIALS

1. *A magnificent job by a small group of dedicated people.*
2. *Thank you for putting on a wonderful conference which supports, values and encourages in such difficult circumstances. Thanks for creating brighter futures.*
3. *Great event. Fantastic learning opportunities for people from all roles.*
4. *Was a great conference with this being my 4th - I would have to say they are getting better.*
5. *QFKC you are stars. You bring together carers and staff from right across the state and make them feel as though they want to be there and enjoy. Loved the keynotes, loved the way in which Bryan spoke from his heart. That's the way I want to be supported by people who know how we feel. A big thank you to everyone involved.*
6. *General atmosphere was positive and welcoming. It was well organised.*
7. *Connecting with people. Being inspired by all the workshops.*
8. *I loved the opportunity to connect with other carers, CSOs, agency workers and government representatives. It was great to share information and reflect on how we can improve to help vulnerable kids and their families.*
9. *Lots of varied information given and interesting experiences from other carers.*
10. *Learning/refresher with the workshops and able to learn together as a 'team'!*
11. *The two keynote speakers, the fantastic establishment, and the wonderful people I met.*
12. *Loved the collaborative feel of so many agencies, depts., carers etc. all working together.*

## SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

TYPE	INCLUSIONS	COST
<b>Platinum</b>	<p><b>Limited to 2 Sponsors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledgement as <b>Platinum Sponsor</b> in all promotional material prior to and throughout the Conference</li> <li>• 5-minute welcome as part of Friday evening Welcome Event</li> <li>• Company logo included wherever QFKC and Queensland Government Logo are displayed</li> <li>• Company logo with link to company website on Conference web page</li> <li>• Company logo in all printed material, media and on any promotional slides for the Conference</li> <li>• Corporate Banner to be displayed at all times during Conference in plenary room and up to 3 other banners in other places at venue as negotiated with venue</li> <li>• 2 complimentary display tables in preferred position/s</li> <li>• 1 complimentary table of 10 at the Conference dinner</li> <li>• Insert logo and other named merchandise for Conference satchels</li> <li>• Logo displayed on front of Conference satchel</li> <li>• Verbal and other acknowledgment of sponsorship before and during the Conference including acknowledgement at closing of the Conference.</li> </ul>	<b>\$25,000</b>
<b>Gold (Keynote Sponsor)</b>	<p><b>Limited to 3 Sponsors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledgement as <b>Gold Sponsor</b> in all promotional material prior to and throughout the Conference</li> <li>• Logo to be included with other Gold Sponsors on Conference materials and media</li> <li>• Corporate Banner to be displayed throughout the Conference</li> <li>• Company logo with link to company website on Conference web page</li> <li>• 1 Complimentary display table</li> <li>• 5 complimentary tickets to Conference dinner</li> <li>• Named merchandise for Conference satchels</li> <li>• Verbal and other acknowledgement of sponsorship before and during the Conference including acknowledgement at the conclusion of Conference.</li> </ul>	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>General Sponsor</b>	<p><b>Unlimited</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acknowledgement as a sponsor in promotional material prior to and throughout the Conference</li> <li>• Sponsorship to be included with other sponsors on Conference brochures and media</li> <li>• Company logo displayed on Conference website</li> <li>• 1 complimentary display table throughout the Conference</li> <li>• Acknowledgement of sponsorship before and during the Conference including acknowledgement at the closing of Conference.</li> </ul>	<b>Any Value</b>

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Type of Business			
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Platinum	\$25,000	
Gold Sponsor	\$15,000	
General Sponsorship (Any Value)	\$ _____	



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## SPONSORSHIP TERMS & CONDITIONS

**QFKC:** Refers to Queensland Foster and Kinship Care Inc.

**Sponsor:** Refers to those who agree to support QFKC and the Conference.

**The Venue:** Refers to the place where the Conference will be held.

**The Conference:** Refers to the Queensland Foster and Kinship Care Conference 2020.

**Acceptance of Support:** All sponsor requests will be subject to the availability of packages at the time that an order is received by Queensland Foster and Kinship Care. QFKC reserves the right to refuse offers of support that it believes are not in the best interests of the organisation and its members.

**Attendance:** The sponsor acknowledges that Queensland Foster and Kinship Care will not be held responsible for any failure of the sponsor not attending the event and manning display tables provided. The position of display tables other than those provided to Platinum and Gold sponsors will be at the discretion of Queensland Foster and Kinship Care.

**Conduct of Sponsor Staff:** Sponsor organisations will be responsible for the conduct and behaviour of their staff or volunteers and staff and volunteers must carry out all responsible requirements of Queensland Foster and Kinship Care or their representatives.

**Corporate Banners:** The type and size of corporate banners and stands to be displayed is subject to the space and physical constraints at the venue. The placements of stands and banners must comply with the OH&S and fire policies of the venue. Banners, stands and other promotional material or representations, unless invited or approved by QFKC, must remain contained in allocated display space or designated area.

**Damage:** Any sponsor or approved exhibitor will be liable for any damages to the venues equipment or the building in which the Conference is being held. Provided that it has taken reasonable care, Queensland Foster and Kinship Care shall not be under any responsibility or liable whatsoever to damages to sponsors or exhibitors or their staff or volunteers by loss, damage, fire, water, storms, strikes or any other cause. All property shall be at the risk of the sponsor/exhibitor and they should insure the same accordingly.

**Event Cancellation:** Should Queensland Foster and Kinship Care cancel the Conference for any reason; the

sponsor/exhibitor is to be financially responsible for their own travel costs associated with the Conference.

**Exclusivity:** By committing to be a sponsor/exhibitor at the Conference, Queensland Foster and Kinship Care does not provide exclusivity from allowing other organisations from participating in the Conference unless agreed to by both parties in writing prior to the Conference.

**Indemnity:** As a condition of allotment of space, the sponsor/exhibitor shall indemnify Queensland Foster and Kinship Care against all costs, charges, losses, expenses, actions, proceeding, or claims arising out of any infringement of the right of any third party, or damage or injury to any property or person whatsoever occasioned directly or indirectly by the act, default, or negligence of any sponsor/exhibitor, their staff/volunteer or any other persons under their direction.

**Conditions of Sponsorship:** In placing an order with Queensland Foster and Kinship Care the sponsor accepts with no reservations that these terms and conditions take the place of any other document, prior written or oral agreement. Queensland Foster and Kinship Care Terms and Conditions can only be amended in writing by post, fax or email. Queensland Foster and Kinship Care's terms and conditions will be binding on all parties unless otherwise amended and agreed to in writing. It is also a condition of sponsorship the sponsor agrees that any unused funds provided go to the **Angel Identity** fund.

**Disclaimer:** Acceptance of support does not imply endorsement of a product or service and QFKC reserves the right to refuse offers of support if they feel that it is not in the best interests of the organisation or its members. QFKC accepts no responsibility for the accuracy and content of any information provided by sponsors. Details are correct at the time of publishing and in the event of unforeseen circumstances, QFKC reserves the right to alter or delete items from the Sponsorship Prospectus.

**Payment:** An invoice will be sent on receipt and acceptance of the completed application form. Invoice payment terms are 30 days. If payment has not been made by the due date QFKC reserves the right to cancel an order for sponsorship and seek another sponsorship to the same value and level.