



Good Giving in WA – December 2012 Update

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Give 1 Update

October was a highlight month for giving in WA with over 10 corporations and businesses “downing tools” and taking time to volunteer with charities and not-for-profits all over WA. The Corporate Volunteer Council also hosted a Give1 Project celebration at Government House ballroom on the 11th of October.

[Read more...](#)

[View the Give 1 minute video with our CEO Kevin MacDonald](#)

JacMac update on ACNC

Our friends at Jackson McDonald have put together a brief on the recent amendments and projected start date of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission. [Read their briefing here...](#)

A note from our CEO

Welcome to the December 2012 Giving West update. As we approach the holiday season, with festive celebrations around every corner, at Giving West we also have much to celebrate. With a [re-designed website](#) and the addition of another permanent staff member, Renae Veedikint, as our Initiatives and Operations Manager, we are excited about what 2013 holds as we endeavour to see ***Giving as a way of living in WA.***

This giving season, inspired by the [Give 1 Project](#) launched in October, may I encourage you to consider how you give as an individual, and how we give collectively as a community. Give one minute to consider what you will do to give back:

- Give one person a helping hand or a smile to lift their day
- Give one person a listening ear or a shoulder to cry on
- Give one hour a week helping out in your community
- Give one day a year to volunteer in a charity or busy bee
- Give 1% of your pre-tax income to those in need
- Give one of these things: your Time, Treasure and Talent to create a better community in WA.

On behalf of the Giving West team, our best wishes for the festive season and a happy and healthy 2013.

Kevin MacDonald

I like giving

We recently discovered this website full of inspirational and quirky stories of giving, guaranteed to brighten your day:

[I like](#)

Schools Connect Australia

Schools Connect Australia (formerly Business Working with Education) has a [new look website](#) with stories, resources and projects on business and education partnerships.



WA Giving Index

Giving West has just launched a corporate giving index and profile of 7 WA organisations and their good work in the community.

Based on methodology provided by London Benchmarking Group, this is the first time WA specific information has been collected and published for organisations with community investment programs. [Read more...](#)

Australian of the Year Finalists for WA

Congratulations to the 4 Western Australian finalists for the Australian of the Year awards: Kerry Stokes, Lorraine and Barry Young, Akram Azimi and Caroline de Mori. These incredible West Aussies are all involved in giving to the community, whether of their time, treasure or talent, and we wish them well for the national awards, to be announced on Australia Day 2013.



Verne's Perth Visit

On the 24th of October, Giving West was privileged to host Verne Sedlacek, President and CEO of Commonfund for a series of events. During his whirlwind first visit to Australia, Verne shared expert insights into current philanthropic trends in the US, as well as investment strategies for philanthropists and not-for-profit foundations in a post-global financial crisis climate. [Read more...](#)

New Giving West website

Thanks to our fantastic friends at Red Meets Blue for our wonderful new-look Giving West website. The new site is easier to navigate and enables you to access our publications, sign up for events, or follow up on stories of great collaboration in giving. [Check it out here...](#)

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