

# 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE FORDE FOUNDATION

25 August 2020



## Celebrating 20 Years of the Forde Foundation

The Forde Foundation is proud to celebrate 20 years of improving the quality of life for Forgotten Australians and other care leavers. Established 20 years ago, with an investment of \$4.15M from the Queensland Government, our small grants program helps to enhance the lives of people who suffered abuse or neglect in Queensland institutions. To learn more about the Forde Foundation visit [www.fordefoundation.org.au](http://www.fordefoundation.org.au).



Image: May 2019, memorials photo display at the 20th Anniversary Event marking the release of the *Commission of Inquiry into the Abuse of Children in Queensland Institutions Report* (the Forde Inquiry).

Since 2000, the Forde Foundation has provided:

**\$3.27M**  
in grant funding  
for  
**5,657**  
grant items\*

\*Data from 2000 - 30 June 2020

People registered with  
the Forde Foundation:

**46%**  
women

**54%**  
men

**48%**  
over the age of 60 years

Artwork above: 'The Child Within' painting by Judy Mutze.

## Grants Distributed Since 2000

**948**  
**DENTAL GRANTS**  
WORTH  
**\$578,000**

**705**  
**HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES**  
WORTH  
**\$438,620**

**410**  
**BEDS**  
WORTH  
**\$352,385**

**488**  
**HEALTH RELATED ITEMS**  
WORTH  
**\$313,886**

### Grants Program

**Supporting Forgotten Australians and other care leavers**

The Forde Foundation grants program provides Australia-wide assistance and targeted financial support in the areas of education, employment, health and well-being.

There are three types of grants - dental, personal development, and health and well-being.



Image: Ms Leneen Forde AC, Forde Foundation Patron and Mr Rob Ryan, Forde Foundation Chair.

**"We must all accept responsibility for children—our most valuable and vulnerable asset."** Honourable Leneen Forde

## Messages from Forgotten Australians

"I am eternally grateful for all you do and have done in the past. You do good work and it is appreciated. Thank you once again I am sure I can find a bargain at the bed shop as they are having a sale at the moment so perhaps I will get something really good."  
Clara\*

"Thank you for all your caring, understanding and compassion today. Looking forward to the journey forward. Hugs."  
Janelle\*

"Just want to say thank you to the Forde Foundation for all your support. Truly grateful for your help."  
Dino\*

\*names have been changed to protect privacy