



## Appin Hall Children's Foundation

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#### Charitable Bequests

Directors & Co-Founders Maggie Burns and  
Ronnie Burns - *Senior Tasmanian of the Year 2009*

#### Foundation profile ...

Appin Hall Children's Foundation (AHCF) is a non-profit organization, with *Tax Deductible Status*, situated at Erriba in Tasmania's northwest. AHCF provides short-term respite accommodation for children;

- suffering serious illness (*leukaemia, cystic fibrosis, cancer, HIV/AIDS*)
- recovering from surgery, grief or bereavement
- disadvantaged through homelessness and destitution
- taking on the role of 'caring' for siblings and other family members.
- refuge for children and young adults at risk in our society.
- supporting the well being of those less fortunate in our communities.

The current facility accommodates up to 28 children (7-24 yrs) plus 3 carers at one time and incorporates regular workshops, music nights, creative arts, travel to local attractions, recreational facilities and a nurturing homely atmosphere wholesome nutritious foods are the order of the day. At the same time, Appin Hall provides a peaceful environment beneficial to potential healing and lifting of the human spirit.

#### Vision and Objectives ...

Appin Hall's vision offers respite and healing to assist children's recovery from illness and trauma. To provide this, the village complex will become a self-sustainable model comprising educational and creative art components. There are extensive plans for a French provincial style village complex capable of accommodating 130 children (many permanent) plus 25 permanent and professional staff - est. completion 2015.

#### Awards and Recognition ...

Recognition from corporate associates, private donors, health industry, volunteers and the Tasmanian community, are vital for the delivery of this project. Co-founder/Director, Maggie Burns - Nominee 2009 Barnardos Australia 'Mother of the Year' Awards. Ronnie Burns - Bryce Courtenay/Penguin Books 'Power of One Hero Award 2009': \$50,000 and actor, Paul Newman, grant toward building project for Appin Hall village.

#### Bequest ...

Bequests, by way of gifts from your estate to AHCF, are a great way of supplying support. Your Bequest enables the continuation of the Foundation's vital work for young people Australia wide. Appin Hall's vision is a sincere and genuine interest in the wellbeing and safety of children - in particular those disadvantaged through serious illness in our society.

The Directors of AHCF consider our ability to provide support to young folk to be a legitimate caring process for the ongoing needs of children in a dramatically changing world. We consider it is time to return to many diminishing old-fashioned values such as human kindness, integrity, honesty, compassion and gratitude if we are to make a difference in the lives of children in this situation. Your decision to join this endeavour is met with

much gratitude and appreciation. As a team, we can build a safer world through a common understanding underpinned with - *respect!*

For further information regarding your decision to *gift* through the choice of a bequest - please discuss this prospect with your solicitor - and, if you would like to know more about Appin Hall's aims and objectives - please ring Ronnie Burns on 03. 6492 1277 or 0417.288 588