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Your support **enables** our vital work

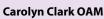
POSITIVE IMPACT AND DEVELOPMENT

The Melbourne Anglican Foundation's focus on building connections and supporting initiatives across the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne has resulted in positive impact and development.

The Melbourne Anglican Foundation raises funds so that it may financially support the mission and ministry of the Anglican Church in the Diocese of Melbourne.

In 2024, this vision was fulfilled. In total, the Foundation distributed **\$1,041,615** to the Diocese of Melbourne through **46 grants**. In addition, we facilitated **53 parish led tax-deductible programs** enabling **\$809,068** to be dispersed to important community led projects. I am incredibly proud of this achievement.

Read on about how **your support** enabled our recent campaigns – and be excited, as we are, about our future plans to impact lives for God's Kingdom across Victoria.



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Melbourne's youth making a meaningful impact ... for youth



On 14 March, year 8 students from Melbourne Girls Grammar School took part in the Foundation's inaugural Youth4Youth Walk, to raise vital funds to support disadvantaged youth in Melbourne.

We are so excited to see youth supporting youth!

Each year the Melbourne Anglican Foundation supports programs across the Diocese that create safe and supportive spaces where young people can develop essential life skills, build lasting friendships, and reach their full potential. We are pleased to announce that the students raised a whopping \$3283 and that the monies raised will help to ensure the Foundation's Youth Grants Round in 2025 is bigger and better than in 2024!

Melbourne Girls Grammar School Chaplain, Rev'd Kirsty Ross, said the event "sparked many deep discussions about faith in action, and enabled us to explore the concepts of Christian service and outreach in a dynamic and engaging way."

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Join the journey via our **DONATION PAGE** or by calling 9653 4220.



Here's what we've been recently up to...





Bringing hope to life!

Over the last couple of months, the Melbourne Anglican Foundation has been chatting to parishes that are keen to be a part of **Hope25** – a nationwide evangelism initiative equipping Anglicans to share their faith in Jesus.

These conversations have indeed been full of hope and, as a result, the Foundation is proud to have funded 20 parishes to participate in this initiative with a total of \$6,000 in grants!



Our Youth Easter Campaign is still open for donations. Monies received will support youth programs run by parishes in the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne. **DONATE NOW.**



Investing in the future

The Melbourne Anglican Foundation Youth Ministry Fund supports parish led youth programs across Melbourne that provide safe and supportive environments where young people can develop essential life skills, build friendships, and discover their full potential.

Last year the Foundation donated over \$100,000 to 16 parishes to run innovative youth programs as part of our inaugural Youth Grants Round. We would like to do the same again this year, but we need your help to do this.

Please speak to your friends and parishioners about making a donation. Empower the next generation. **DONATE NOW.**

Sixteen parishes awarded MAF youth grants

■ Penny Mulvey (The Melbourne Anglican)

The Melbourne Anglican Foundation has approved more than \$104,000 in funding across 16 parishes in the Melbourne diocese after its inaugural Youth Grants Round drew countless applications.

MAF launched the Round in July 2024, and the response from parishes eager to launch and develop innovative youth programs exceeded its expectations.

Development Manager Nathan Oliver said, the team was greatly encouraged by how inventive parishes had been as they reflected on the kind of programs they wanted to offer their youth.

He said the Round had presented an opportunity for MAF to meet new parishes, and see the work they were doing to support young people.

MAF chair, Carolyn Clark said this first Youth Grants Round highlighted how strategic, focused initiatives could deepen relationships and unlock new potential for impact across the diocese.

"We're excited to see these youth-driven projects come to life and are looking forward to fostering the connections and collaborations that have begun," she said

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In 2024 we launched our inaugural **youth grants round**. The idea was to engage with parishes around youth and encourage them to start youth related programs.

It was a huge success.

We met with over **40** parishes and were so proud to give out



Health

Here's our exciting news as to what is coming up!



MAF Annual Report 2024

Keep an eye out for the 2024 Annual Report due to be released early May.

If you are interested in a hardcopy or a PDF, email:

foundation@melbourneanglicanfoundation.au

- Foundation Youth Walk
- ☐ Youth Grants Round 2025
- ☐ Fundraising campaign focusing on food distribution (Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society). To be launched mid-May.



AS PRICES RISE, **SO TOO MUST OUR** COMPASSION



The purpose of the Melbourne Anglican Foundation is to facilitate the mission and the ministry of the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne.

We do this in 3 ways:







Melbourne Anglican Foundation is:

Purpose: To provide financial support to the Diocese of Melbourne of the Anglican Church of Australia (the Diocese) in its activities and in furtherance of its strategic plan and vision.

Melbourne Anglican Benevolent Society Inc.

Purpose: Direct relief of poverty, sickness, suffering, distress, misfortune, destitution or helplessness; assistance to unemployed youth, emergency accommodation for youth, crisis and other counselling for the needy

Melbourne Anglican Cultural Organisation Inc.

Purpose: The promotion, and participation in, literature, music, performing arts, visual arts, crafts, design, film, video, television, radio, community arts, Indigenous arts and cultural heritage

Melbourne Anglican Migrants and Refugees Settlement Fund

Purpose: To provide help and public awareness in housing, training, integration and financial assistance in the settlement of migrants and refugees

Melbourne Anglican Youth Ministry Fund

Purpose: To provide help to young people who are in necessitous circumstances, particularly those who require guidance and assistance in areas such as unemployment, family disturbance, drug abuse and rehabilitation

Melbourne Anglican Chaplaincy Fund

Purpose: To any public hospital or hospital or public benevolent institution which employs or shares in the employment of a chaplain licensed by the Archbishop of Melbourne

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