

## **TFN Live Events | Impact Report**

Thank you for completing this Impact report so we can share with our network the outcomes of the project/program that you pitched at a TFN event. Please answer as accurately/comprehensively as possible, although we appreciate that you may not have exact answers to everything. If you raised funds after the event because of your pitch, we are keen to know about your success as we track this information. To save and resume your report later, click the SAVE button at the bottom right of the page. When complete hit SUBMIT. Thank you.

1. Organisation name	2. Your name and position
Youth Live4Life	Bernard Galbally CEO
3. Email address	4. Date of the TFN event at which you presented
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#### 5. Please outline the project/program and funding you pitched for at the TFN event.

We pitched to expand Live4life in Gippsland.

Live4Life is the only mental health education and youth suicide prevention model designed specifically for rural and regional communities. Ground-breaking and award-winning, the model is proven to be effective in growing mental health awareness, a help-seeking culture, and reducing stigma.

e.g. We pitched to employ a Volunteer Coordinator for 2 days per week...

#### Impact of Funding

6. Please describe how the funding was used and the implementation of the project/program.

We used the funding to takeLive4Life to Bass Coast and South Gippsland Shires. After both communities successfully completing our Expression of Interest Process, we have been able to work with the two communities in the Activation stage of Live4Life and to be ready for full implementation of Live4Life in 2022.

We have employed a Community Engagement Coordinator based in the region and the funding covers their work to establish Live4Life in Bass Coast and South Gippsland Shires

With the funding from TFN we have been able to establish the Live4Life School and Community Partnership Group in Bass Coast and South Gippsland. We have also been able to establish a lead agency in these communities. Both Bass Coast and South Gippsland Shires have agreed to be the colead agency and have Live4Life delivered across both communities working together.Live4Life was officially launched at the start of 2022. Read more here https://www.live4life.org.au/latest-news/live4lifebeing-rolled-out-in-bass-coast-and-south-gippsland

'Live4Life is a remarkable program, providing regional and rural young people and the communities that support them, with the tools to identify, understand and assist when mental health concerns arise. This program holds young people at the centre by providing the opportunity for young people to challenge the stigma, and support their peers through youth led and directed projects. South Gippsland Shire Council is proud to partner with Youth Live4Life, and welcomes the program to the South Gippsland & Bass Coast regions.'

Cr Mohya Davies, Mayor, South Gippsland Shire Council.

'We are really proud to partner with YouthLive4Life. Designed specifically for rural and regional communities, Live4Life is a youth mental health and suicide prevention initiative that builds the capacity for young people and the local community to recognise mental health concerns and seek and offer help. It is extremely important that the young people in Bass Coast know that they have the support of the local community behind them.'

Cr Michael Whelan, Mayor, Bass Coast Shire.

e.g. We employed our Volunteer Coordinator in month and he/she did...

### 7. Please describe the impact that the TFN funding has had on your organisation.

We have been able to use the funding we secured through TFN and leverage that to secure three years' of funding from the Hugh D T Williamson Foundation. This guarantees our work in Bass Coast and South Gippsland is fully funded to the end of 2024. In addition to this, both Shires are investing cash and in-kind support, and Gippsland Primary Health Network and the Red Cross have also come onboard as local funding partners. This funding will help ensure that over the next three years Bass Coast and South Gippsland will be able to reach self-sustainability in the delivery of Live4Life.

e.g. Having a dedicated Volunteer Coordinator has enabled us to increase the number of volunteers who support our program and to develop a more in-depth training program to support more young people...

# 8. How many people have been supported by programs or activities that were funded by the TFN donations?

We anticipate students across the eight schools will receive youth mental health training this year. There are 1,584 year 8 and year 10 students in total. So far 56 adults have been trained in Youth Mental Health First Aid. We are currently recruiting instructors for the region https://www.live4life.org.au/latest-news/bcsginstructors

e.g. 45 young people participated this year, which is 25% more than last year, thanks to the new Volunteer Coordinator resourcing.

Also, consider and tell us about any indirect beneficiaries if you can.

#### 9. Please tell us a short story about someone who has benefited from this funding.

Local community member, Georgie Lyons has secured a new part time position with South Gippsland Shire Council. Georgie is the new Live4Life Program Officer. She is passionate about mental health and working with young people. Georgie is a huge asset to Live4Life Bass Coast South Gippsland. Meet Georgie here https://www.live4life.org.au/latest-news/meet-georgie

e.g. Jacob is one of young boys who has been helped through our program... Please change any real names or identifying details.

#### Use of Funds and Evaluation

#### 10. How much funding did you receive through the TFN event for your project/program?

\$37,000.00

# 11. Please provide a budget breakdown on how the funds raised at the TFN were used. If not all of the funding has been used, please explain why. We will follow up with you if the budget shows more than 10% has not been spent.

Received \$37,000 spent \$37,000 on Community Engagement Coordinator role salaries, admin, meetings and travel (October 2021 to April 2022)

e.g. Training - \$1500, New equipment - \$3000 etc

# 12. Describe if, and why, any of the funding was used differently from what you described in your original pitch/budget..

Funding has been used as we pitched.

e.g. Due to Covid, it took about 6 months to employ the Volunteer Coordinator so some of the funding was redirected to....

#### 13. What measures did you use to assess the impact?

We evaluate all aspects of the Live4Life model annually in each community. We look forward to sharing our impact report with you at the end of this first full year of implementation.

e.g. We asked volunteers to complete a survey after they had been volunteering with us for 6 months etc..

14. Describe three ways that your organisation has changed in the past 12 months since the event. (You can also describe here how Covid-19 restrictions have impacted on and changed the way you work).

We have grown from 6 communities to 9 in line with our Business Plan. As an organisation we have grown from a team of four staff (2.6 EFT) to a team of 10 (5.6 FTE)

We have transitioned from a financial year reporting period to calendar year reporting period to align with our activities see www.live4life.org.au/annualreport

Developed an assessment tool that we use with our communities to gauge if they have reached selfsustainability and are able to transition to the membership stage.

Successfully transitioned our two pilot communities (Benalla and Glenelg Shire) to self-sustainability and membership stage.

Continued to develop our resources to support rural communities to deliver Live4Life

e.g. We have grown in size, maintained funding levels, improved services, reduced staff, relocated, secured corporate sponsorship etc...

## Please upload photos of the work supported with TFN funding.

These will be published on our website and sent to donors.

#### Videos

If you have any videos, please provide link for downloading or sharing here (e.g. YouTube, Dropbox, Vimeo, WeTransfer)

#### **Post Event- Additional Benefits**

#### 15. Over the past 12 months, how important was 16. Do you feel that association with TFN has your affiliation with TFN to your organisation?

Important - We might have got to where we are now, but it would've been a lot harder without TFN

We do not make any claim on additional funding you've received. We simply want to keep track of the leverage effect of introductions made through TFN.

helped to increase your credibility with donors and the philanthropic sector?

Yes

#### 17. Over the past 12 months, did you receive any goods in-kind and/or pro-bono services from anyone you met through TFN?

Yes, pro-bono services

We are keen to know about your successes. We track this information as part of our own TFN impact.

#### Please provide more detail

Bluerock Foundation support offered, Kilfinain training

TFN uses this information to track post-event impact. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence. Please estimate number of hours or days if pro bono time.

#### 18. Has the TFN pitch coaching and mentoring helped you succesfully secure funding from other sources after the TFN event?

Yes

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#### 19. What were some of the other benefits of participating in TFN? (tick all that apply)

☑ Pitch Coaching

Increased Visibility

- $\ensuremath{\boxdot}$  Access to a new network and supporter base
- ☑ A greater ability to articulate your proposition
- ☑ Being introduced to the TFN Alumni Program

Meeting other non-profits

☑ Greater self confidence

#### Being a part of the Alumni Network

As part of the TFN Alumni Network we aim to offer you continuing support to build your capacity through offering connections, opportunities and professional development experiences. We are interested to know how effective this has been in the last 12 months.

#### 20. Have you participated in any alumni activities (please tick all that apply)

☑ Kilfinan Australia Mentoring

☑ TFN Workshops or events

☑ Alumni network

☑ TFN Bulletins/Newsletters

21. Have you been sent any relative opportunities that have helped you? Eg. Baker McKenzie Legal advice, McKinsey & Company Executive Professional Development Training, BDO Scholarship, Aus Post Mental Health Grants etc.

We've attended the fundraising/donor stewardship and change management training sessions. ABL provide our probono legal support.

□ Pro bono legal or accounting advice via TFN

22. Have you connected or collaborated with any other TFN Alumni? If yes, has this resulted in anything beneficial?

#### Further Support

## 23. Please let us know two current pro-bono or in kind asks you have?

We are hosting our annual fundraising dinner on 28 May and are keen to find a sponsor or sponsors.

We are on the hunt for a new communications coordinator 0.5FTE and would love some help to find a star. See Position description at www.live4life.org.au/jobs

\*We will communicate these to our donor network but can not guarantee that it will be achieved.

#### 24. Do you have any other comments or feedback on the TFN experience or funding process?

Thanks to the Pitch Coaching experience with TFN, the Board has agreed to undertake a pitch workshop with TFN.

This experience has opened doors and built new relationships. Thank you.