

## THE TECWYN JONES BEQUEST GRANT

## 2021 PROGRAM





Tecwyn was a member of the Lorikeet Clubhouse from its beginnings in 1994. He also regularly attended the weekly lunches in the days when MIFWA was the Schizophrenia Fellowship of WA. Tecwyn was a popular and generous member and had a keen interest in all people.

Tecwyn had a passion for travel and was well informed regarding world events. He enjoyed the friendship and support he received through the Lorikeet Centre and the Fellowship and regarded all who attended as members of his family.

When Tecwyn passed away in 2004, he bequeathed a generous amount of money to MIFWA, to be shared equally between Lorikeet in West Leederville and the Mental Illness Fellowship of WA which at that time was based in Subiaco. Since 2004, these funds have been invested and the interest from the investment has been used across both services.

The MIFWA Board of Management in May 2007 decided that the interest from the investment would be used to set up an Annual Grants Program to benefit the Consumers and Carers/Family of MIFWA. The interest will be divided equally between Consumers and Carers/Family each year.

In setting up the Tecwyn Jones Bequest Grants Program (TJBG), we hope to pay ongoing tribute to Tecwyn's memory through the provision of regular annual grants which will benefit consumers and Carers/Family who are recipients of MIFWA's services.

The maximum amount which can currently be applied for is \$1,000 per individual/couple. Examples of activities previously approved include attending a conference, enrolling for a training course, purchasing a musical instrument, a short respite break for a Carer/Family, purchasing resources or books etc.

Tecwyn Jones Bequest Grant

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## **Guidelines for Applying**

- The person(s) applying must have a lived experience of mental health issues or must be the Carer/Family/Friend of a person with a mental health issue.
- The person(s) applying must be a MIFWA member, and have been a MIFWA member prior to 31st December 2020.
- At least one (1) written quote must be obtained and attached to your Application Form. It
  must be demonstrated that the money will be used to improve quality of life and/or assist in
  the journey towards recovery.
- A maximum of \$500 will be given for requests for laptops, iPads and computers.
- If you were a successful TJBG recipient and received the grant in 2018, 2019 or 2020, you are not eligible to receive a grant this year.
- An independent panel reviews all applications, judging each application on its own merit and individual circumstances are taken into account. However, as funds are limited, applicants who demonstrate that a personal contribution has been made towards costs will be looked upon favourably and preference will be given to active Lorikeet and MIFWA members. The panel makes recommendations to the MIFWA Board of Management who make the final decision on the Grant recipients.
- Please note that the panel may offer only part of the amount requested.

## **Terms & Conditions**

- Evidence of monies spent, i.e. original receipts, is required to be presented to MIFWA within one month of purchase or completion of the activity.
- Activities must be completed and acquitted by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 (this means grantee's must provide invoices or receipts).
- Grant funds must be spent on the purpose stated in the application form.
- Any monies not spent on the stated activity must be returned to MIFWA.
- Cheques must be banked by 30<sup>th</sup> August 2021 or a stop payment will be made on the cheque.
- Applications close 5 pm Friday, 19th March 2021
- Successful applicants will be notified in writing early May and the grants presented during Schizophrenia Awareness Week in third week in May.
- Queries can be directed to the MIFWA Central office or to Lorikeet Centre where staff may be available to assist with applications, if required.
- Applicants who demonstrate that a personal contribution has been made towards costs will be looked upon favourably. However, if you are not able to make a contribution, this will not stop you being considered for a grant.
- In the event that the monies are not spent on the agreed activity/item, future applications will
  not be considered.