



COMING OUT PROUD TRUST

AIM

To grow a capital investment base to finance social, wellbeing and enterprise initiatives that will assist sexual and gender diverse people (rainbow people) in Tasmania's regional communities to 'come out with pride' and live in their community with dignity as fully respected and participating members.

Self - Determined Regional Philanthropy

For the support and protection and survival and our way of life and culture the COPP Trust is owned by the COPP Community Liaison Committees (CLC) and *associated organisations* at local/regional level as follows;

- Application for micro project funding will require the approval of local and regional CLC's and be part of the local/regional management planning
- Applications require matching funds from other local, regional sources i.e. state, local government or private sector to ensure maximum commitment and use of available funds.
- Ensuring a balance of Trust governors at regional level will ensure local ownership and participation in both raising capital funds and application.
- The 'small grants' program will be up to \$500 to be matched
- Administrative costs of the CLC will be funded within the local regional allocation

Governance

The COPP State Consultative GLBTI Council (COPP State Steering Committee) owns and manages the Trust in association with other formally associated LGBTI organisations according to the following responsibilities;

- Raising and maintaining a sound capital base from the contributions (direct giving) or fund raising initiatives of the local & regional GLBTI communities
- Ensuring the finances are properly invested and accounted for
- Maintaining that no more than one - third of the capital base is given by way of grants or non-interest loans in any one year.
- Funds raising for particular projects is encouraged and the amounts raised are held in reserve accounts to be allocated according to application approved by a majority vote of the regional Co Chairs and associated member organisations.

Sponsoring Organisations

- The principle contributor to the COPP Trust has been the League of Gentlefellows and the personal direct giving of the LGBTI community developing a sense of ownership and responsibility for the local regional Community
- Many private sector businesses have also contributed significantly by way of in kind donations by way of contributing to a community respecting diversity.

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