



## 2020 Impact Statement

Thank you for helping  
to keep the promise.



Supporting  
our veterans'  
families



## You've supported us through one of the most disruptive years in living memory.

### Thank you.

Your continued support has empowered Legacy Brisbane to adapt, improve and ensure the Legacy family remained connected through 2020.

Throughout the year, we planned in the positive, remaining hopeful but staying realistic about the impact of COVID-19.

Our focus has always remained on the Legacy family. Providing those we serve with the care and resources they need, today and everyday.

Your support has helped us keep the Legacy promise to over 48,000 people across Australia, including more than 6,200 in South East, Central and Western Queensland.

In 1923, Legacy made a promise to help families carry on with their lives after the loss or injury of a loved one in military service. By supporting Legacy, you are making sure no spouse, child or person is socially or financially disadvantaged due to the sacrifice their loved one made.

I hope to continue our relationship in 2021 and alongside you, help more Legacy families to thrive and fully realise their potential.

From all of us here at Legacy, and the families we support, thank you for making a huge difference at a time when it matters most.



*Brendan P Cox*

**Brendan Cox**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Legacy Brisbane**



**153**  
**People with a Disability**

Participate in social activities and events, combating social isolation and linking to relevant support services, such as the NDIS.



**Over 5,800**  
**Widow(er)s**

Currently supported with wellbeing contacts, social activities and linking to relevant support services across South East, Central and Western Queensland.



**217**  
**Legacy Youth**

Mentored through leadership and personal development skills, promoting a sense of connectedness and belonging and assist with their transition from teenagers into adulthood.



**Over 60**  
**Families**

Engage with Legacy in times of crisis through the Family Assist Program. Legacy provides flexible and practical support to medically discharged veterans and their families who have an injury or illness due to their service.



# Funding children's education

**We believe children and youth should be supported to overcome adversity and reach their full potential.**

Legacy works to ensure that children and young people who have lost a parent to connect with others who have experienced this loss and develop through educational, personal and career milestones.

Our support includes practical assistance, as well as mentorship and leadership guidance.

During this tumultuous year, our experienced volunteer Legatees and staff have continued to provide information, emotional support and referrals to relevant services during the lockdown.

Financial assistance was provided to children like Javas (below), who needed a new laptop for online schooling from home. Javas was able to keep up-to-date with his studies without delay.



# And time for kids to be kids

**An annual highlight, the Legacy Summer Camp is highly anticipated.**

As school aged children, it's vital for Legacy children to be able to socialise with one another. Each camp is a unique opportunity for them to learn new skills, share time with others who understand their experience, and have fun.

Thanks to your support, more than 50 Legacy children aged 8-17 will be attending the 2021 Summer Youth Camp in early January.



*"That laptop, it is more than a computer for Javas. It's love. It's support. Looking at it reminds him of Legacy and that connects him to his father."*

Yulia, Javas's mother



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# Transforming backyards across Queensland

Legacy Brisbane supports over 5,800 widow(er)s every year. We believe they should never feel alone or suffer because of the sacrifice their loved one made.

The Legacy Backyard Assist helps families, especially those who are elderly and isolated, by providing a safe, accessible and easily maintained yard environment. It's a program that truly embodies the Legacy Promise to "look after the missus and kids".

Despite the global pandemic, Legacy was still able to provide seven Backyard Assists this year. In 2021, Legacy Brisbane will run at least one each month.

Each Backyard Assist is made possible with the support of donors like yourselves, contributions from local businesses and volunteers from the Australian Defence Force, and corporate supporters.

This combined effort came to the home of Yvonne earlier in the year. Through the work to her property, she will be able to maintain her property and continue to live at home for as long as she chooses.

Across South East, Central and Western Queensland, Legacy Brisbane makes over 1,000 wellbeing contacts with widow(er)s each month.



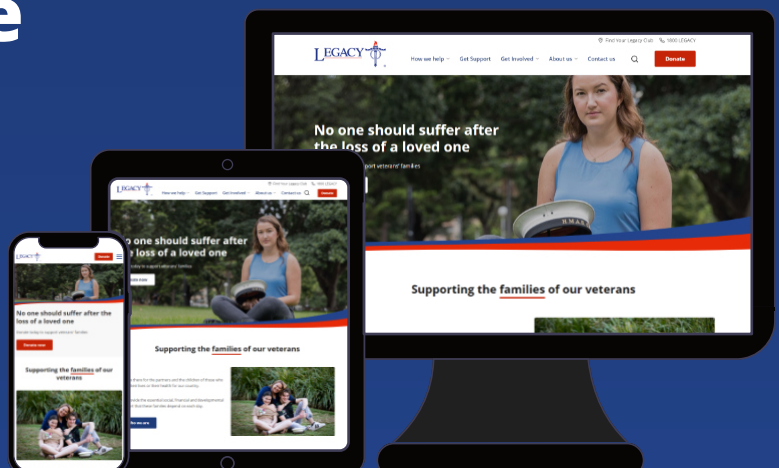
***"I've always done it all myself. But the last 12 months, I just hadn't been able to cope. It means everything."***

**Yvonne, Legacy widow**

## Our new website is now live

Thanks to wonderful supporters like you, Legacy can continue to provide assistance to the families of our brave servicemen and women.

See our work and Legacy family stories.



Visit [legacy.com.au](https://legacy.com.au)

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# Your support makes the difference



Almost 100 years ago, Legacy made a promise to look after the families of our fallen and injured veterans. It's a promise we still uphold to this day, but only thanks to the support of people like you.

As the nature of modern day military service changes, the need for Legacy services is changing.

The Legacy's Family Assist Program is a critical service for our veterans' families. Families of injured veterans require complex levels of dedicated assistance as Legacy offers them emotional, financial and social support.

Legacy can only respond to the needs of families because of ongoing support from people like you.

On behalf of the more than 6,200 people in the Legacy family across South East, Central and Western Queensland, thank you.

If you'd like to explore the ways you can contribute to supporting our veterans' families, please contact us using the details on the next page.



## Supporting our veterans' families

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