

**ADULT & TEEN  
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Western Australia

# Reshape a Future.



Adult & Teen Challenge Western Australia Inc operates a small farm at Grace Academy near Esperance. This farm gives our students something to invest their time in and the crop, mainly canola, provides a modest income annually



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## Statement from the Chair

# Adam Davey



Dear Valued Donors,

I am delighted to present this brochure on behalf of the Adult & Teen Challenge Foundation Trust. As the Chair of the foundation, I want to express my gratitude for your steadfast support and partnership in our mission to resource and fund current and emerging programs that empower Adult & Teen Challenge Western Australia Inc in their vital work.

Adult & Teen Challenge Western Australia Inc is a beacon of hope, providing essential rehabilitation services, support and education to individuals and families facing drug and alcohol-related challenges. Our foundation serves as the conduit that enables their mission to flourish.

Your support plays a pivotal role in transforming lives. It equips us to ensure the sustainability of Adult & Teen Challenge Western Australia Inc, bridge gaps, expand services, and help individuals seeking transformation to find the assistance they require. Your generosity is a catalyst for change.

I am excited to share our ambitious plans for the future. We are actively pursuing the establishment of a second major rehabilitation site, inspired by the success of the Grace Academy in Esperance. Additionally, we aim to create a number of centre facilities, providing ongoing support and empowerment to individuals transitioning back into society.

Your ongoing support and belief in our mission demonstrate the remarkable compassion within each of you. Together, we possess the power to bring healing and restoration to people in need of it. Thank you for standing alongside us on this journey.

With appreciation,

**Adam Davey - Chairman,  
Adult & Teen Challenge Foundation Trust**

# The Cost of Addiction

The devastating and far-reaching impacts of addiction are felt across the healthcare and justice systems, workplaces and households throughout Australia.

According to a comprehensive 2021 report by KPMG and Rethink Addiction, the economic losses associated with addiction amounted to a whopping \$80 billion, or around 4.5% of GDP.

**“We know that for every dollar spent on addiction treatment, we save up to \$7, and that for every dollar spent on harm reduction, we save up to \$27.”**

– PROFESSOR DAN LUBMAN, RETHINK ADDICTION CAMPAIGN SPOKESPERSON.

**\$12.9 billion**

Estimated other drug-related harms cost Australia in 2021

**\$22.6 billion**

Estimated alcohol harms cost Australia in 2021

**\$5.8 billion**  
out of \$12.9 billion

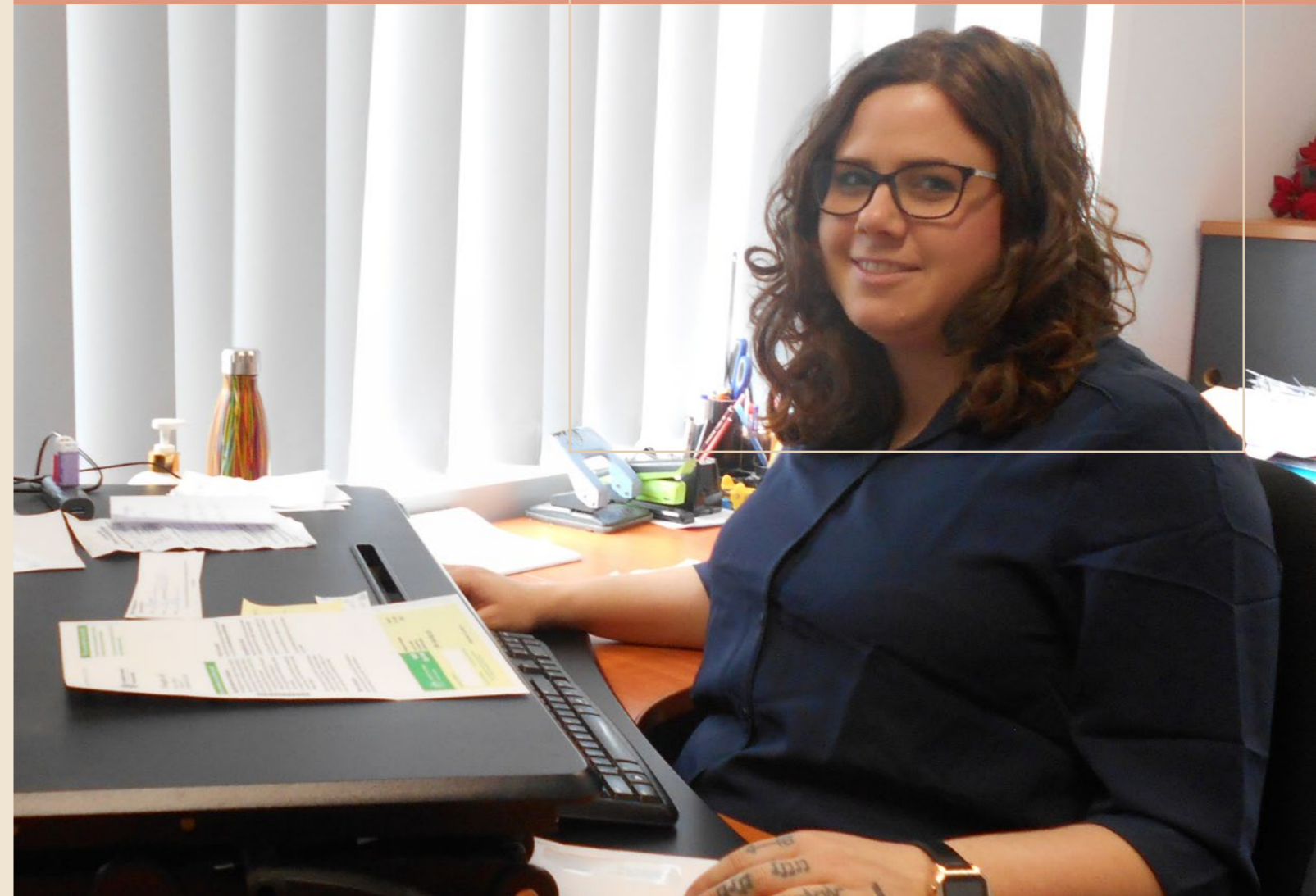
Justice and law enforcement costs were the main driver of other drug-related costs

Around  
**One in Four**

Australian people will need help - struggling with alcohol, other drugs or gambling in their lifetimes

## Jamie’s Story

“I used to rely on drugs and alcohol to manage life and get through the day, but now I have found new purpose and direction for my life. I’m no longer suffering from depression and instead wake up most days content with the direction my life is taking.”



# About Adult & Teen Challenge Western Australia Inc

Teen Challenge was founded by David Wilkerson in 1958 in New York City. Many people first heard about David Wilkerson's pioneering work amongst inner-city gangs in the best-selling book, *The Cross and the Switchblade*.

Since then, Teen Challenge, now called Adult & Teen Challenge in many parts of the world, has grown to over 1,400 centres in more than 135 countries.

Adult & Teen Challenge Western Australia Inc was established in 1985. The mission captivated the hearts and minds of thousands of generous donors, who helped establish a residential rehabilitation centre, Grace Academy, set on 250 acres in Esperance and the head office building in Warwick, in Perth's northern suburbs.

Over the decades the organisation has helped free thousands of people from the crippling bondage of addiction. This in turn has positively impacted huge numbers of families, friends and workplaces.

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## About the Program

### At Adult and Teen Challenge WA, We Put Hope in Reach

**We exist to put hope in reach of people struggling with life controlling addictions. A hope that transforms lives, families and communities.**

Grace Academy, a part of Adult & Teen Challenge, is situated near Esperance. This 40-bed facility spans 250 acres of land and serves as a residential rehabilitation program. It caters to individuals aged 18 and older, providing them with a pathway to overcome drug and alcohol addiction and regain control of their lives. This program is rooted in Christian principles and offers a residential experience lasting approximately 12 months.

A typical week at Grace Academy includes:

- Individual and group studies
- Work duties
- Character development
- Recreation and social activities
- Developing pro-social behaviours

Students who come to Adult & Teen Challenge with a Mental Health Care Plan from their GP or Psychologist access regular counselling from qualified professionals in Perth via ZOOM.

“Your support will go on to positively shape generations to come.”

## Abdul's Story

"After a life on the streets, fuelled by crime and addiction, discovering my true self at rehab wasn't something I thought I'd ever do. People love and accept me for who I am. For the first time in a long time I'm not running, I have purpose and a future."



## Where Your Money Goes

**"I graduated from the Adult & Teen Challenge program and was awarded the Bendat Family Scholarship in 2009. I finished my Bachelor of Science in 2014 and am now a registered nurse. It is difficult to express my gratitude for establishments like Adult & Teen Challenge and the Bendat Family Foundation, who help young people achieve their dreams."**

Your support offers a lifeline for many people and their families in WA. Our programs help people escape drug, alcohol, and other life-controlling problems. By generously giving, you directly impact the well-being and futures of those in need. By offering them a second chance at life, you are helping us to build a better tomorrow for the next generation.

### Grace Academy Esperance

Grace Academy Esperance is a 40-bed residential rehabilitation program located in Esperance and operated by Adult and Teen Challenge WA

### Solutions Seminar (Putting Hope In Reach)

Solutions Seminar (Putting Hope in Reach) is a two-hour seminar that takes the audience on the journey of addiction to give a deeper understanding of the problem. A Q&A with a panel of experts allows audience members to raise questions and concerns and receive positive solutions that will encourage and equip them.

### Life Choice High School Seminars

These seminars are taken into local high schools. These seminars are delivered by a graduate student who use their story of a life in addiction to communicate the truths and dangers of drugs and alcohol. Students are offered ways to say no and how to get help.

### Jack Bendat Scholarship

Each year, one scholarship is provided to an Adult and Teen Challenge WA Program graduate, enabling them to pursue higher education as a graduate student.

# Donation Tiers

**Your annual partnership donation to Adult & Teen Challenge Western Australia Inc is instrumental in transforming the lives of those battling addiction.**

By specifically supporting the rehabilitation centre Grace Academy, you directly contribute to providing life-altering treatment to those in need.

The donations we receive grant individuals the opportunity to acquire essential life skills and reshape their future, equipped with the tools and resources necessary to embrace lasting recovery.

Below is an outline of the various tiers of donorship to the Adult & Teen Challenge WA program.

## Tier One: Freedom

Free an individual from drug and alcohol dependence and other life-controlling problems

**Giving Amount  
Per Annum:  
\$100 - \$1,000**

## Tier Two: Success

Enable hope and success in all areas of a person's life through the teaching of life skills.

**Giving Amount  
Per Annum:  
\$5,000<**

## Tier Three: Significance

The provision of further academic training and skills to equip students to make a positive impact in their local community.

**Giving Amount  
Per Annum:  
\$5,000>**

Every amount counts. To donate directly, our bank account details are below.  
Adult and Teen Challenge WA Foundation BSB: 306-089 Acc No: 157051-3  
Every donation over \$2 is tax deductible.

**For more information on how you can support this life-changing work, please contact us on (08) 9246 5777 or visit our website at [tcwafoundation.org.au](http://tcwafoundation.org.au)**

## Our Goals

# Be a Part of a Better Future

**Grace Academy, with its limited capacity of 40 individuals, sometimes faces a waiting list. This leaves many West Australians struggling with drug and alcohol-related addictions at risk of becoming statistics of drug-related injuries or even fatalities.**

To prevent such tragedies and continue making a profound impact, we rely on your support to extend treatment to those waiting for our help. Any assistance you can provide is genuinely valued, and please note that all donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Looking ahead, our foundation has significant goals to achieve. The vision of ATCWA is to establish five-day centres throughout the metro area, offering support to 50-100 families each week.

Additionally, we see a second site dedicated to facilitating the transition in and out of the Grace Academy program, complete with a specialised program. This expansion would effectively double our capacity to assist those in need.

**“The Adult and Teen Challenge WA Program changed my life. It gave me the support and tools to break free from addiction and rebuild my life. Today, I am married with a family, and have chosen to dedicate my life to supporting others on their journey to recovery, just as I was once helped on mine.”**

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