

About us

The EW Tipping Foundation is a not-for-profit organisation governed by volunteers. Our patrons include the Governor of Victoria, Dame Elisabeth Murdoch AC DBE and Dr Marjorie Tipping MBE.

We are named after the late Bill (EW) Tipping, respected Melbourne journalist and outspoken advocate for people with disabilities. Bill's column, *In Black and White*, which appeared in the Melbourne Herald, often gave accounts of the struggles faced by those with disabilities and their carers.

In 1970, a meeting of more than 1700 people was held at the Melbourne Town Hall after it was revealed that Bill was gravely ill. That meeting formed the EW Tipping Foundation in his honour.

Today, the Foundation carries on Bill's tradition of supporting people with disabilities and their families, and raising the profile of issues which affect them.

"Everyone has a right to choose how to live their life"

EW Tipping Chief Executive Officer Richard Dent

How you can help

We rely on donations and volunteer support to carry out our mission. People help us through:

- Making a donation
- Becoming a volunteer
- Leaving a gift in their will

If you would like to support the Foundation, please contact us on (03) 9564 1000. Every offer of support is appreciated and makes a real difference.

"EW Tipping has been refreshing and has treated the whole family with respect" family member



Mary is just another member of her local jewellery-making group – and we are helping to make it happen.



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Right: Jaimie is pursuing his dream of learning to play the drums with the Swan Hill Highland Pipe Band.

Front cover: Michelle and Bayden are making good use of respite care.
(Photo courtesy Image and Light Photography)

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Left: Steve is pursuing his dream to live independently in his local community with a little help from his brother, Grant, and EW Tipping Foundation.

Right: Jaimie, Mary, Jenny, Onie and Brendan share a house together in Swan Hill, with support from the EW Tipping Foundation.

Far right: We helped Dennis and Janet to develop their independence over a number of years.



Who we are

The EW Tipping Foundation is one of Victoria's major community services providers. We provide disability, aged care, child protection and other community services.

We focus on the individual. We work with one person at a time to learn what it is they want to do in their life, and support them to achieve it.

We also work to change attitudes so that everyone, of all abilities, is welcomed in the community.

Who we help

We provide support to:

- People of any age with a disability, including physical, intellectual, sensory or psychiatric, including people with acquired brain injury.
- People who are ageing (eg frail aged, dementia)
- Children requiring child protection services
- Families and other carers who need respite

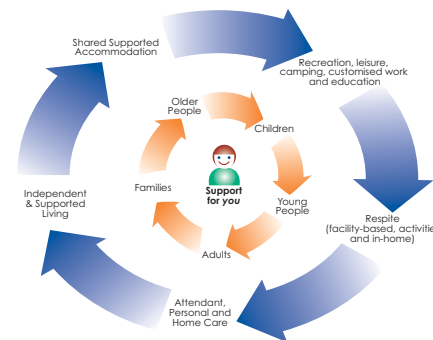
Our services

Together with our partner organisation, Victorian Person Centred Services (VPCS), we offer:

- **Houses: shared supported accommodation & supported living**
We provide full-time staffing to support people living in a shared home. Residents are supported to make their own choices, and get involved in their local community. We have more than 20 shared homes across Victoria. We provide less intensive support to people living in one of our units or flats.
- **Independent living (VPCS)**
We provide one-on-one support to people living independently in their own home, a family home or with housemates. Our staff provide assistance to the maximum extent possible under the direction of the person being supported.
- **Family-governed accommodation projects**
Some families choose, either in groups or singly, to organise accommodation for a family member. We can provide staffing and support for these projects.

- **Attendant, personal and home-care (VPCS)**
We provide attendant care for people with specific physical or other needs, including people with funding from DHS, TAC, WorkCover and private sources. We are a TAC preferred provider.
- **Recreation and leisure (VPCS)**
We provide camps, special interest groups, support for personal leisure activities and holidays, and weekends away.
- **Respite**
We operate respite facilities in Wonthaggi, Warragul, Swan Hill, Pakenham and Bacchus Marsh, which offer short and long-term respite. In addition to our respite houses, we offer flexible respite care either at home or in the community.
- **Child protection**
We offer an innovative and supportive child protection and crisis care service until children are placed in permanent care or return to their families.

- **Aged care services (VPCS)**
We are an accredited Commonwealth Aged Care provider for Community Aged Care Packages (CACPS) and Extended Aged Care at Home packages (EACH and EACH-D).
- **Other services**
We have a range of specialist services and projects. They focus on areas such as moving towards independent living, long-term planning and support for ageing carers, age-appropriate activities for people with disabilities, and more.



Our vision is independence, choice and community for all.