

South Gippsland Respite Service



Who is the EW Tipping Foundation?

The EW Tipping Foundation supports people with disabilities, people who are ageing and children.

Our vision is independence, choice and community for all,

We provide shared supported accommodation (group homes), respite, one-on-one support in the community and at home, and many other services

We support people throughout metropolitan Melbourne, Gippsland and Western Victoria.

The EW Tipping Foundation is named after journalist Bill Tipping, who wrote passionately about social issues including disability.

Our services are available to people of all ages and all disabilities.

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Playing pool at the respite house.

Additional information

Medication—all medication must be provided in a dosette box with detailed information about type, dosage and time to be administered

Clothing—please identify all clothing clearly. A clothing list is available from the coordinator so you can keep an accurate record of what was sent in.

Money—if you wish staff to mind money for your family member, we will keep a financial record on file with receipts (when appropriate)

Respite can provide you with a much-needed break. It can range from a few days to several weeks.



The respite house at Wonthaggi

What is the service?

The South Gippsland Respite Service is run by the EW Tipping Foundation. It operates on a part-time basis. Respite is provided in a two bedroom, fully-staffed residence in Wonthaggi.

Generally the service is open from 2pm Wednesday to 10am Monday.

Who can use the service?

The service is available to South Gippsland and Bass Coast Shire residents.

It is available to people who live with a carer and have:

- An intellectual, physical or sensory disability, or
- An acquired brain injury

How long can I stay?

Respite stays can range from a few days to several weeks. How long and how often you stay can be negotiated with the co-ordinator, depending on your needs.

What are the fees?

A fee is charged for over-night stays and activities to cover food, utilities and a small service fee. Please discuss the fee with your co-ordinator. Accounts will be sent out at the end of each month.

What activities are provided?

The service is not only designed to give carers a break— we also want to give the people who use it a positive and enjoyable experience.

Activities can range from beach fishing to playing pool. The house is close to the centre of Wonthaggi, allowing easy access to leisure activities.

Activities are designed around the needs and wants of each individual.

Bookings

Bookings can be made up to three months in advance.

To make a booking, phone:

The Co-ordinator

South Gippsland Respite Service

5672 5401 OR 0409 960 045

OR

Respite House and Office

5672 5518

OR

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Gippsland Regional Office

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