

Strategic philanthropy with real impact

One million people live in disadvantage across Australia. In WA alone, there are 10,000 people experiencing homelessness, over 4,000 children in care and 10.7% of young people are out of work. Each year billions of dollars are poured into social services and reform programs across welfare, education and health and yet so many people continue to live in entrenched poverty.

At Social Ventures Australia (SVA) we focus on supporting and enabling innovative approaches that address strategic drivers for change in the areas of education, employment, housing, health and Indigenous disadvantage.

What is venture philanthropy?

Venture philanthropy is a strategic way to give more effectively. The focus is on identifying and supporting innovative ventures with strong potential to deliver significant social impact and systemic change. SVA supports ventures through an engaged partnership that includes:



Funding

Multi-year funding to build their sustainability and reach.



Capacity building

Active, hands-on support for their leadership team.



Networks

Access to SVA's deep networks to unlock skills, knowledge and resources.



Evidence

Support to use data to understand what works and manage to outcomes.



WA venture partnership – Marnin Studio

Marnin Studio, the first venture in the WA Venture Philanthropy portfolio, is an Indigenous art enterprise operating out of the Marninwarntikura Women's Resource Centre in Fitzroy Crossing. It supports the local women to turn the things they love into products that can provide them with a source of income, as well as provide therapeutic aid, employment skills and empowerment to become leaders and change agents in their community. SVA's venture partnership is providing the seed funding and business support to help the studio become fully sustainable through the sale of their products.

Why give through SVA?

SVA's WA Venture Philanthropy Fund provides philanthropists with an efficient way to ensure their philanthropic giving is effective and transformative. SVA conducts rigorous screening and due diligence to identify high potential ventures and then actively works with the ventures to improve organisation effectiveness, sustainability and to develop strong measurement and reporting of their impact.

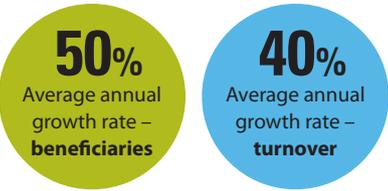
SVA provides funders with regular progress reports on the ventures' performance and impact being achieved, as well as opportunities to engage with the ventures and learn more about the issues being addressed.

SVA has Deductible Gift Recipient status with all donations tax deductible.

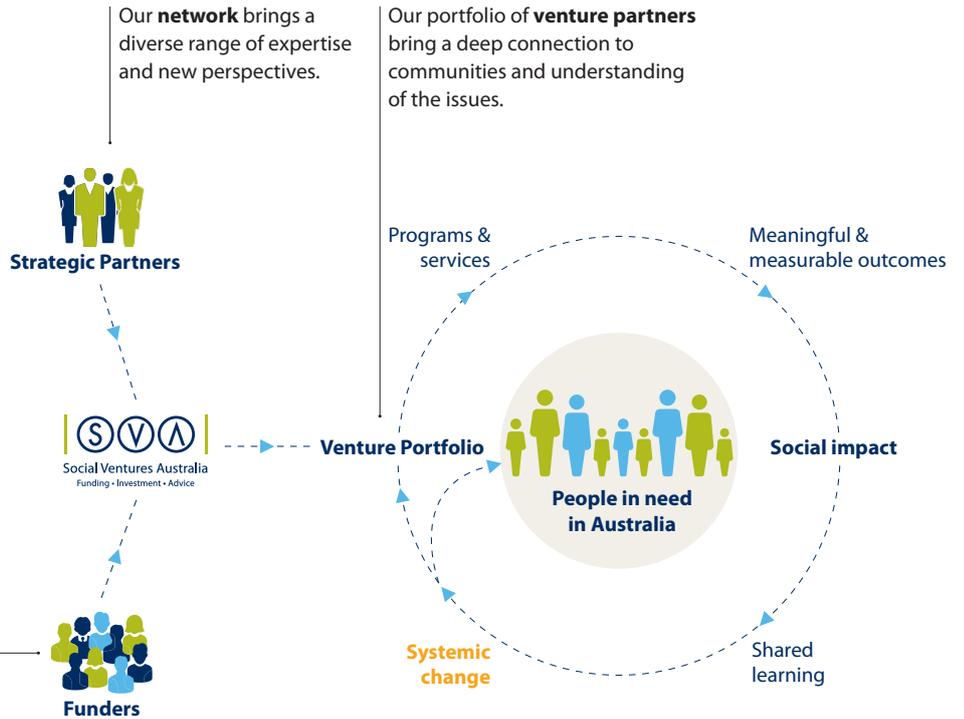
SVA's approach

SVA has pioneered this innovative model of giving since 2002, bringing funders, social entrepreneurs and the business and government sectors along with us.

In 2015, over an average partnership period of six years, the ventures in our portfolio had achieved:



Our **funders** are strategic and dedicated to impact, enabling us to take thoughtful risks to test new approaches.



'Without SVA being hands on in the trenches with us – helping to build our credibility externally, whilst shaping our operations internally – we simply would never have got to where we are. Thanks for daring to walk with us when so few would.'

Jack Manning Bancroft – CEO, AIME

How to get involved

To find out more about SVA's Venture Philanthropy Fund and how it can support your philanthropic journey to deliver real impact in WA, please contact:



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