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## WA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION CALLS FOR LEADERSHIP

Registrations are now open for Western Australian Community Foundation's 2008 Summit "Today's Choice for Tomorrow: Lead, follow or get out of the way!" held on Friday, 19 September at the Government House Ballroom in Perth. The 2008 Summit program sees a stellar list of speakers gathered to equip communities to thrive and participate in the State's current rapid growth, building leadership capacity to effect real change.

Western Australia is undergoing significant change in its social landscape, particularly the interplay of its community, cultural and corporate identity which presents enormous opportunity for all. Western Australian Community Foundation aims to encourage a culture that encourages social entrepreneurship, values social capital, builds social infrastructure and facilitates social inclusion.

"Community members are called upon to embrace leadership, share responsibility, and take action to make our communities' stronger," said Tonia Swetman, Chief Executive Officer, Western Australian Community Foundation.

"The day's program is designed to provoke unique approaches to issues that are emerging in WA's social landscape. Delegates will listen, debate, network, exchange tips and strategies to promote philanthropy as an essential part of a healthy community."

The Summit will offer fertile ground for learning, sharing and understanding by:

- Exposing participants to a variety of experiences and perspectives on community leadership today;
- Connecting participants, enhancing partnerships across a range of sectors in our State;
- Engaging participants in thought provoking discussion on the challenges and rewards leadership entails; and
- Providing participants with information and skills to lead the way.

In order to support participation from communities across the state, the Foundation is able to provide limited travel assistance for regional delegates. Thanks to the support of Skywest eligible community representatives are invited to apply for air travel assistance from a number of regional centres. The 2008 Summit would not be possible without the support of Summit Partners Rio Tinto and Lotterywest; and Summit Sponsors St John of God Health Care, iiNet and 2020 Global.

REGISTER NOW at <https://wacf.org.au/EventRegistrationGateway.asp> . Registrations close 12 September. For further information and to download a copy of the program, visit [www.wacf.org.au](http://www.wacf.org.au) or contact Western Australian Community Foundation on (08) 9224 6000.

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