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Stockland CARE Foundation welcomes new partners to support mental health in Australian communities

The Stockland CARE Foundation has brought together charity partners ReachOut, Redkite and R U OK?, in a new collaborative partnership model that aims to improve wellbeing in communities across Australia.

Stockland's CARE Foundation, a charitable trust established to deliver programs and initiatives to improve the lives of people living in or near Stockland communities, will invest more than \$1 million and ongoing non-financial support over the next three years, to help support mental health programs in Australian communities.

Tom Pockett, Chairman of Stockland CARE Foundation shared, "The Stockland CARE Foundation has proudly supported Redkite for the past four years and we're delighted to welcome two new partners to our unique collaborative partnership.

"Our ability to shape thriving communities is fundamental to our success. Research clearly shows that in order for a community to prosper, it needs to focus on improving health and wellbeing, strong community connection and education. With 84 families moving into Stockland communities every week, 11,000 residents in our retirement communities and 400,000 shoppers visiting our town centres every day, we have a unique opportunity to help improve our customers daily lives.

"Our three partner organisations all have proven track records of improving the wellbeing of communities across Australia and we look forward to working with them to bring this partnership to life."

The Stockland CARE Foundation is excited to launch this new collaborative partnership during our fifth annual 'Foundation Fortnight'.

Mark Steinert, CEO Stockland said "Foundation Fortnight is an important two-week period where our employees hold events and brand activations throughout October to raise awareness and funds for our national partners."

The Stockland CARE Foundation was established in 2015 to deliver infrastructure, programs and initiatives that improve health, wellbeing and education opportunities for communities in and around Stockland assets. Since this time the Foundation has invested more than \$1 million to our national strategic partners, built 14 inclusive playspaces with Touched by Olivia Foundation and helped more than 300 Redkite families dealing with the impacts of their child's cancer.

To learn more about the Stockland CARE Foundation and our new collaborative partnership visit: Stockland.com.au/carefoundation.

Additional quotes from charity partners:

Katherine Newton, CEO, R U OK?:

“R U OK? welcomes the support of the Stockland CARE Foundation and looks forward to collaborating with them, along with ReachOut and Redkite, to encourage communities to actively look out for one another, and support those that might be going through a tough time.”

Monique Keighery, CEO, Redkite:

“We are so excited to be entering this new phase of our partnership with Stockland. They really are making a tremendous difference to the lives of kids with cancer and their families.”

Ashley de Silva, CEO, ReachOut:

“ReachOut is proud and excited to be announced as a new national partner with the Stockland CARE Foundation and we look forward to working with Stockland and all the other partners to achieve great things in your communities.”

More information:

Redkite provides essential support to children, teenagers and young adults with cancer to ensure the best possible quality of life for them and their family – now and into the future.

ReachOut is Australia’s leading online mental health organisation for young people and their parents. They provide practical support, tools and tips to help young people get through anything from everyday issues to tough times.

R U OK? Is a suicide prevention charity, encouraging and empowering all people to support those struggling with life by regularly asking ‘are you ok?’ and having meaningful conversations with their families, friends and colleagues.

Stockland CARE Foundation is a charitable trust set up for the purposes of delivering infrastructure, programs and initiatives that improve the health, wellbeing and education of communities in and around Stockland assets.

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About Stockland: Stockland (ASX: SGP) was founded in 1952 and has grown to become one of Australia’s largest diversified property groups – owning, developing and managing a large portfolio of retail town centres, residential communities, workplace and logistic assets and retirement living villages. Stockland is rated as one of the most sustainable real estate companies in the world by the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index (DJSI). Stockland is also an Employer of Choice for Gender Equality, as recognised by the Workplace Gender Equality Agency www.stockland.com.au