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Noosaville local wins Not-for-Profit Leader Scholarship

The Australian Institute of Company Directors is pleased to announce that Dean Williams from Noosaville is one of the recipients of the *2018 AICD Not-for-Profit Scholarships program*.

Under the program, there were 20 scholarships on offer for Queensland directors to undertake one of the AICD's highly-regarded education programs, including the *NFP Foundations of Directorship*.

The *AICD Not-for-Profit Scholarships program* forms part of the AICD's strong commitment to the NFP sector. Two-thirds of the AICD's 43,000-strong membership play some role in the NFP sector.

Williams works as Chair of The Affordable Housing Charity Ltd which assists in the provision of affordable housing, including for Indigenous and retirement populations.

AICD Queensland State Manager Melanie Mayne-Wilson Leake congratulated Williams and wished him well in his studies.

"The not-for-profit sector is a significant part of the Queensland economy, particularly in regional Queensland," she said.

"The AICD recognises that the demands on not-for-profit leaders are complex and increasing, and it is therefore proud to support scholarships in this sector in order to enhance and future proof the governance knowledge of our not-for-profit leaders".

Williams said he was excited to have won a not-for-profit scholarship, and looked forward to developing his knowledge with peers from the not-for-profit sector.

"I really enjoy the format of AICD programs," he said. "I get the chance to work with peers and develop relationships with them."

AICD Managing Director & CEO Angus Armour said that NFPs were an essential part of Australia's social fabric.

"NFPs face a number of challenges, especially as many operate with tight budgets and in an increasingly complex and constantly evolving operating environment. Having the governance expertise to steer them to success cannot be taken for granted."

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