## **Acts of profound kindness**

THIS week is Foster and Kinship Care Week where William Campbell Foundation, and other agencies within the sector, acknowledge and celebrate all the wonderful carers who are dedicated to providing love, care and support to children and young people. Carers cannot be thanked enough.

As a child in care himself, Foundation founder and chairman, Bill Campbell understands how important it is to celebrate Foster Care Week and acknowledge the incredible and selfless acts carers do for vulnerable children.

"Foster Care Week is a special week for us at William Campbell Foundation, as we reflect on the dedication, love and support our carers give our kids every day. Every year we say thanks to our carers through special little ways to let them know we are thinking of them during this wonderful week."

Ngaere, a member of the carer assessment and recruitment team believes Foster Care Week is an opportunity to highlight and celebrate the remarkable



A SELF-LESS ENDEAVOUR: Foster caring can be a rewarding decision that can change the life of a child. Image: Supplied

work that foster carers do.

"Fostering can be challenging, but so many carers I've worked with also say it's the most fulfilling thing they have ever done." With the support of an

help a child heal and grow through trauma, and see them reunite with their family, or move on to live independently.

If it's not possible for a

agency, foster carers can child to return to their family, foster carers can provide a long term home where a child can love and be loved, while giving them the roots to stand tall and strong as adults.

"I am so grateful to be able to work with such people every day and see the difference they make in the lives of children in our community. It's a selfless and generous endeavour that deserves our It's a selfless and generous endeavour that deserves our endless thanks and appreciation. Ngaere

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Foster care can be an extremely rewarding life decision that can change the life of a child. Every child and young person's experience will be different, and every fostering experience will be different. No matter what role carers take on from providing fortnightly respite or a short-term home to providing a forever home, even the small acts of kindness can change a child's life.

For more information on becoming a foster carer, head to wcfoundation.org.au or give them a call today on 1300 000 WCF.

