

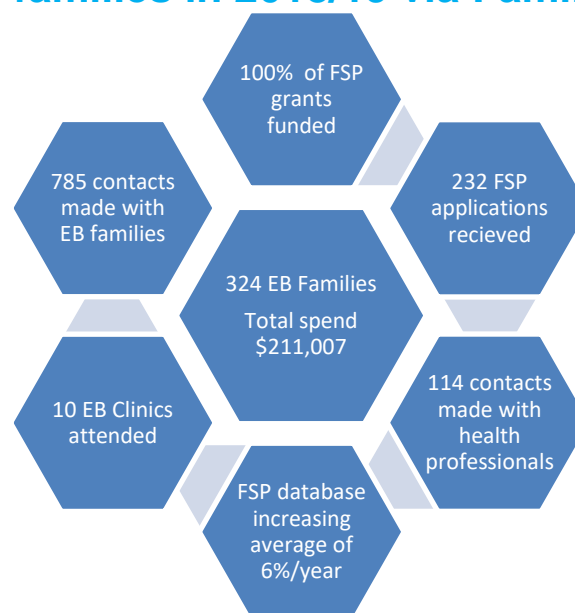
To all the Brighter Days Committee and Donors,

DEBRA Australia cannot thank Brighter Days enough for their continued funding which impacts the level of support our charity can offer to sick children. Through your generous support we have been extremely grateful to be able to deliver our Family Support Program, Education of Health Professionals and assistance with our Family Camp which are critical programs to assist families living with the genetic skin blistering disease called Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB). As our programs continue to evolve and expand we identify the needs of our families and your 2019 funding will help us to maintain existing support and work towards the 2021 EB national Camp. The Brighter Days funding has not only allowed us to develop our programs more quickly but has allowed us as a charity to have more stability in provision of our programs over the years, especially the Family Support Program. We are extremely grateful for your support.

Family Support includes many aspects of supporting families living with EB in Australia, including:

- EB Family Camp
- Coordinating EB Nurses
- Bathroom renovations
- Medical supplies and equipment
- Funding dressings not available on the National EB Dressing Scheme
- Respite for parents and children
- Maintenance for equipment
- Support in funding funerals for EB patients
- Family networking
- Promoting independence
- Quality of life
- Advocacy

Together this is the impact we made to lives of EB families in 2018/19 via Family Support



Year	Brighter Days Donation	DEBRA Total (and Budgeted) Expenditure	Brighter Days Contribution
2016/17	\$105,000 (May 2016)	- Family Support Program & Coordinator \$177,000	\$105,000
2017/18	\$120,000 (May 2017)	- Family Support Program & Coordinator \$210,000 - EB Camp planning \$50,000 - Health Professional Education (lecture in Melbourne – June 2018) \$6,000	\$120,000
2018/19	\$150,000 (May 2018)	- Family Support Program & Coordinator \$204,708 - EB Family Camp (August 18) \$36,073	\$150,000
2019/2020	\$150,000 (May 2019)	- Family Support Program & Coordinator \$210,000 - EB Family Camp planning \$50,000	\$150,000



We often hear the phrase ‘**imagine a world with no pain**’ wouldn’t that be wonderful? But imagination only goes so far! When you give to DEBRA Australia, you are directly impacting lives of sick children, and together we are turning ideas into life-changing programs. Your continual support will ensure that we can continue to make this impact on EB families across Australia ensuring that they are receiving the best possible care. While continuing to deliver these programs our next step is working towards funding our Youth Program. **Together we can.**

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.
All the staff and Board
DEBRA Australia

“My family and I are eternally grateful for the invaluable support provided by DEBRA Australia. Within hours of our son Adam’s birth we had the support of their programs and help and guidance on how to manage and ease the persistent discomfort of Adam’s exposed raw skin. Since then these programs have helped us to manage his wound care at home. We consider ourselves extremely lucky to have this support available to us as we rest assured that our EB journey is not a lonely one. Thank you for helping families like mine.” Angela - EB Mum

