



PRESIDENT & BOARD CHAIR

YWCA Australia is looking for an outstanding woman to lead us in making a positive impact on the lives of women, young women and girls in Australia.

Since the early beginnings in the 1800s, each YWCA across Australia has been committed to supporting women in times of hardship. Its national journey over the last 140 years, demonstrates the courage of its founders and the important steps YWCA has taken and continues to take, improving the lives of women.

In 2018 YWCA became a united, for purpose national organisation with the Adelaide, Albury Wodonga, Broken Hill, Darwin, NSW, Perth, QLD and VIC branches joining YWCA Australia to support women across Australia. It is a women-led organisation that achieves positive change by providing advocacy, programs and services for women, families and communities.

YWCA undertakes advocacy and delivers programs and services that develops the leadership and collective power of women and girls; supports individuals, their families and communities at critical times; and promotes gender equality and community strengthening.

YWCA Australia has an asset base of over \$60M and employs more than 400 staff in 17 locations across Australia.

This is rare opportunity for an outstanding woman to lead the next phase of YWCA's evolution and deliver on the full potential of the merger. With a strong executive team and a talented skills-based board, the President leads the public face of the YWCA and ensures that the board accomplishes its role in accordance with the organisation's governance frameworks.

What are we seeking?

- A collaborative leader with a clear alignment to the values and mission of YWCA
- Strong governance knowledge, ideally with previous experience as a Chair or Deputy Chair
- Commercial astuteness, business acumen and sound financial management skills
- A strategic and visionary approach; drives and embeds a positive and proactive culture
- Ability to provide support and mentorship to young women, listening and respecting their contribution
- Act as a sounding board on strategic and sensitive issues for the Chief Executive Officer
- Able to identify future opportunities for growth and development.

For further information and to obtain a copy of the position description, please contact Julia Soutter, Partner at Fish & Nankivell julia@fnow.com.au. The closing date for applications is Thursday, 30 January 2019.