

Your support ensures vital services, trusted resources and support are available to Australians affected by kidney disease—every step of the way. Below are some of the lives you have touched.

At just 17, Maddie was suddenly diagnosed with kidney disease. Maddie spent a month in hospital before beginning dialysis just 18 months later, all while her mum was undergoing cancer treatment.

Maddie was lucky to receive a kidney transplant at 20, but a transplant is not a cure.

Maddie still needs to take daily medication to ensure her transplant isn't rejected whilst also managing the damaging side effects of these medications.

"Having a kidney disease is really scary, but it is comforting to know that there is support and services available when you need it." – Maddie



"Kidney Health 4 Life is amazing; you can get all the information and support you need—in the one place. It helps you take control of your kidney disease." – Debora

"Getting away and taking a break—thanks to the Big Red Kidney Bus made me feel like me again. It made me feel like that we weren't a family defined by illness, that we were just a normal family. And it was so heartwarming to see our son so happy." – Elle



"Es-Capers has been absolutely the best thing, connecting the boys with other kids, and for us meeting other families with very similar stories. We've found people who understand, and it's been so therapeutic."

For Archie, it's been simply amazing. We received the kidney kids welcome pack and Archie loved the Billy the Kidney plush toy and reading the book. He was able to meet other kids just like him. He told me, 'I don't feel alone anymore.'" – Emma

"I now want to give back and be one of the people who guide and helps, because I know what they're going through, and I know what they're feeling." – Rodrigo



Thank you for making 2025 a year of real impact. Together, we've achieved so much, and we look forward to continuing this journey with you.