



# Capricorn Citizen Advocacy Inc. Membership Form

Application    Renewal

(each applicant must apply individually on a separate form)

**Ordinary membership**   Open to any individual who agrees to support the objects and activities of the association. \$10 annual fee includes full voting rights.

**Associate membership**   Open to any individual, business or organisation that agrees to support the objects and activities of the association. No annual fee, no annual renewal, and no voting rights. Associate membership is available to individuals who undertake a recognised role with the organisation, including:

- ▶ Citizen Advocate      ▶ Advocate Associate      ▶ Volunteer      ▶ Ally
- ▶ Protégé                  ▶ Connector                  ▶ Donor              ▶ Supporter

**See next page for further details.**

**Life membership**   Open to ordinary members who have contributed in a significant manner to the attainment of the association's objectives, who have conducted themselves in a manner which brings credit and dignity to the association and who have:

- (a) held membership for a period of ten years or more, or
- (b) such other worthy recipients as determined by the Management Committee.

Life memberships are conferred at General Meetings of the association. Life members retain all of the rights of ordinary membership, with full entitlement to stand for election to the Management Committee. No annual fee, no annual renewal, and full voting rights.

Name:

Residential Address:

Phone:       Email:

I agree to abide by the rules of the association. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Direct Credit to CCA Inc. Ordinary Membership fee of \$10.00. **BSB 034-210 a/c 168 333.** Please use the first initial of first name and full last name as your reference.

Donation to CCA Inc. Amount:  **BSB 034-210 a/c 226 302.** Please note that all donations of \$2.00 and over are Tax Deductible.

**Only current ordinary members may propose or second an application for membership. Notice in writing will be forwarded to the applicant advising the outcome of their application for membership. Any applicable annual fees are payable at the beginning of each financial year (July 1<sup>st</sup>). Notice of due fees will be forwarded to all members.**

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**Office Use Only**

Proposer:       Secondar:

Approved     Rejected     Date     Receipt No:

**Associate membership applications**

This form of membership is open to any individual, business or organisation that agrees to support the objects and activities of the association. There is no annual fee, no annual renewal, and no voting rights. Tick any role/s that apply to you:

- Citizen Advocates
  - A Citizen Advocate is a competent citizen supported by the Citizen Advocacy office who provides long-term advocacy to a (vulnerable, and often socially isolated) person with a disability so that they are no longer entirely alone and unprotected given their relatively powerless circumstances.
  - Citizen Advocates receive ongoing support from the Citizen Advocacy Office but their relationship with their Protégé is independent of the CA Office.
- Crisis Advocates
  - A Crisis Advocate is also a competent citizen supported by the Citizen Advocacy office, but who provides short-term, task specific advocacy to a person with a disability to resolve a specific, urgent issue in the life of the person with disability.
- Advocate Associates
  - Advocate Associates are primarily a resource for Advocates. They are people who have expertise, knowledge or experience in a particular area (such as health, housing, legal issues etc.), which may assist an Advocate to deal with a specific issue in the life of their Protégé. Advocate Associates do not undertake advocacy themselves, but provide time and information to Citizen Advocates free of charge.
- Protégés
  - A vulnerable person with disability who has limited social connections or support, and who experiences needs that would benefit from the ongoing involvement of someone who will promote, protect and defend their interests. Protégés are identified by the Citizen Advocacy office and matched with a Citizen Advocate. Protégés are often at increased risk of violence, abuse, neglect, exploitation, discrimination, and circumstances much removed from what we would call a “good life”.
- Volunteers
  - People who willingly carry out work for CCA:**
    - to advance the purpose of the organisation and the objects for which it has been established, without the expectation or legal requirement of, payment or reward.
- Allies
  - People who choose to align themselves with CCA:**
    - because of the nature of the work undertaken by the organisation
    - because they share similar values
- Connectors
  - People who are well connected within the community:**
    - who will assist CCA to identify possible Citizen Advocates or Protégés, and/or
    - who are willing to identify possible Advocate Associates, allies or supporters, and /or
    - who are willing to use their connections to advance the purposes of the organisation and the objects for which it has been established
- Donors
  - People who make donations to CCA:**
    - Money (CCA has DGR status – donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible!)
    - In-kind support such as donated equipment or services
- Supporters
  - People who align themselves with CCA’s work when requested by:**
    - speaking positively about the work of CCA and the Citizen Advocacy model
    - attending fundraisers, social events or training, or other events hosted by CCA
    - engaging with others about the value of the work undertaken by CCA
    - writing letters of support for CCA
    - contributing to CCA’s newsletters, social media or website content

**Associate Membership is welcome from anyone who holds or fulfils any of the above roles.**

Please also advise of any skills or expertise that you would like to make available to Capricorn Citizen Advocacy from time to time e.g. assistance with newsletters, webpage management, fundraising, grant applications, etc.

I can help with the following: \_\_\_\_\_

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