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THE MARY POTTER FOUNDATION

*Walk for
Love*



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Wellington Square turns pink ahead of The Mary Potter Foundation's Annual Walk for Love



Every year in May, among fallen autumn leaves, hundreds of passionate Walkers flock to North Adelaide to take part in The Mary Potter Foundation's Walk for Love.

The Walk is open to anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and would like to honour their memory.

"It's an opportunity to honour the lives, courage, and memories of our loved ones and raise vital funds; to bring compassionate care and loving support to patients and families in our care" says the Foundation's Executive Director, Lorna Riddle.

The Foundation supports patients and families in Mary Potter Hospice, Calvary's Palliative Home Care Service, Calvary Central Districts, and Calvary's Aged Care facilities across South Australia.

There is no cost to register for the Walk and participants can start at any time between 8 am and 11 am.

Participants can choose a 3km or 7km route - both start and finish at the historically significant and beautiful Carclew (North Adelaide).

Throughout the Walk around the streets of North Adelaide, participants will get to experience installations and experiences – including a walk along a path lined with 1,000 pink hearts in Wellington Square.

Last year hearts bearing loved one's names hung carefully in the trees in Wellington Square.

Participants had the chance to find their loved one's heart and take it home with them.

This year Wellington Square will turn pink once again from Thursday 23 May, in the lead-up and on the day of the Walk – It will be decorated with hearts and giant L-O-V-E letters on Sunday 26 May.

Ambassador Ashlee Murphy participated in her first Walk for Love in 2022.

"From opportunities along the way to leave tributes and remembrance frames, to activities for children and professional photographer capturing all the smiles and tears, it was a lovely atmosphere and a great for us to reunite and remember Mum" says Ashlee.

The Mary Potter Foundation is 100% community funded.

With no government or church funding, they rely on the support of the community to raise vital funds; to bring compassionate care and loving support to patients and families in their care.

The foundation is hoping to raise up to \$100,000 at this year's event and is predicting more than 1,000 walkers will take part.

The Walk is dog-friendly, child-friendly and, wheelchair and pram accessible.

It's not too late to register to Walk, to create a team, or to support the wonderful work of The Mary Potter Foundation.

Register, donate, and find out more at <https://www.walkforlove.org.au/>.



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