## **MAY CHARITIES**

Teatox Australia

The first recipient for the month of May was **The Australian Whale Conservation Society.** The Australian Whale Conservation Society (AWCS) is a registered, non-profit environmental organisation, based in Queensland, Australia.

The AWCS had its beginnings in the mid-1970s when the general public first became aware of the plight of whales and dolphins. Australia was at this stage a whaling nation. But with the work of AWCS it is long in the past since we were.

**The main mission** (quoted directly from their website)

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The conservation and protection of cetaceans - is far from accomplished of course. More victories, and many defeats, have brought us to where we are today. Commercial whaling continues, much of it under the pretext of scientific whaling. Cetaceans also face many of the other problems they did in the past, such as entanglement and habitat degradation. And there are new threats in the form of climate change and inappropriate human activity around whales.

The work of the AWCS continues, and much of what we do is still at the grass-roots level, attending to issues that might otherwise remain under the radar.

The focus is as it was three decades ago - creating public awareness and understanding of whale conservation issues and engaging with government and organisations to bring about lasting change.

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Thanks to your help, Teatox Australia has made a large donation to the AWCS in order to support them and the amazing work they do.

To donate to the AWCS, visit their website at www.awcs.org.au

Our second recipient for the month of May is the **Australian Childhood Organisation** charity who prevent and treat child abuse and negligence. Here is a bit of info on the charity, and what they do.

## "We believe that every child has the right to a childhood."

Part of the magic of childhood is being surrounded by people who never let us doubt for a moment that we are loved. The feeling of assurance and safety that comes from knowing we have adults in our lives who will always care for us and about us, gives us the confidence to explore our world, challenge ourselves, take risks, and dare to dream, because we know there will always be someone there to catch us when we fall. That sense of security helps us to grow, develop and learn. It helps us to forge the vital connections that make us who we are; it provides the basis for our relationships with our families, our friends, and our community. It helps us gain a sense of self. It helps us find that special place in the world that is ours, and ours alone.



With your help, we have been able to donate a large amount to the Australian Childhood foundation. We certainly hope it makes you feel as good as it makes us feel helping out these children in need!

Thanks again for allowing us with your help, to make a difference this month.

**Much Love - Teatox Australia XXX**