

# AMANDA STOKES

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- 15 years not-for-profit experience
  - Partnerships & sponsorships
  - Strategic planning
  - Large-scale event management
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I currently hold the position of Senior Manager Events & Activations at Sydney Airport. My career spans over 20 years experiences in senior positions in both the Aviation and not-for-profit sectors.

I enjoy stakeholder engagement, strategic planning as well as communicating those plans effectively to achieve the organisation's goals and budgets. I also thrive on building and maintaining successful relationships and partnerships.

I have had a long-term relationship and love for Sydney Dogs & Cats Home (SDCH) which began in April 2012 when Dr Christine Cole appointed me the Home's Fundraising & Marketing Manager.

During my eight years as an employee of SDCH, I worked alongside an incredible team of staff and volunteers. While the organisation faced with several challenges across my term, as a team we were able to develop and deliver solutions which helped drive the organisation to where it is today. To date, this remains one of my proudest achievements.

I can very proudly say I am an SDCH member, foster carer, adopter (x3), volunteer, donor and employee. Today, I feel incredibly grateful that I again have an opportunity to be considered as an ordinary board member. That I've proudly held for the past 4 years.

As my passion and advocacy for the work of SDCH continues, if elected on the board, I look forward to supporting the team in a positive way that enables them to perform their essential day-to-day work in caring for, and rehoming, Sydney's lost and abandoned pets.

I also look forward to working with the board-elect to ensure we continue to look to the future, develop a strong strategic direction and a sustainable financial position, and most excitingly see the build of Kurnell stake shape and beyond.

My promise to the team of SDCH is to do what I can to help embed the SDCH ethos and evoke pride into the community, and help drive awareness, supporters and donors.