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ANNUAL REPORT



Australian
Neighbourhood Houses
and Centres Association

AUSTRALIAN NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSES AND CENTRES ASSOCIATION

***"If you ever feel lost again,
count on us,
raise your hand."***

Poli Correia



Australian Neighbourhood Houses and Centres Association would like to Acknowledge the Traditional Custodians across Australia. Australia is one land mass made up of many Countries. The mountains, valleys, waterways, desert, flat Country, bush, wind, rain, fire animals, and all the diversity that Country brings. We would like to Acknowledge sovereignty was never ceded and we are all now a part of the ongoing healing journey that we all need to take together moving from the pain and atrocities of the past, into a thriving and healing future. We would like to acknowledge the Elders from the past and their love of Country, the Elders here now supporting us and showing us how to live with love and honour. We would also like to acknowledge the young people who are coming out proud and deadly, look out they are the leaders of tomorrow.

Kathryn Coff

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Social Cohesion Forum – South Australia

About ANHCA

Australian Neighbourhood Houses and Centres Association (ANHCA) is the national peak body for Neighbourhood houses and centres in Australia. Representing over 1,000 Neighbourhood houses and centres, it is committed to the development of place based solutions to meet the economic, social and civic opportunities and challenges that are currently facing Australian communities. To achieve this, ANHCA works to support the evolution of strong local communities through the empowerment of engaged local leaders and the creation of community partnerships.

Each year there are more than 14 million visits to a Neighbourhood or Community house or centre in Australia. With unparalleled reach into local communities, we strengthen the foundations of communities to enable people and their families to thrive. Houses and centres are located in some of the

most geographically isolated and disadvantaged communities in Australia and work with their communities to identify needs and facilitate local opportunities. This approach underpins the very core of what our sector offers as places where people from all walks of life, age, ability, race and gender come together to connect, learn, create, celebrate and contribute.

ANHCA's purpose is to contribute to national policy and issues of common interest to Neighbourhood Houses and Centres and to promote and strengthen the national identity of the sector. ANHCA seeks to enhance the quality, skills and knowledge and support the activity and work of Neighbourhood Houses and Centres in Australia. ANHCA is governed by elected members from the state peaks. ANHCA also oversees the ANHCA Public Fund for DGR, which Neighbourhood Houses can use to accept tax deductible donations/grants.



Lalor Living and Learning Centre Neighbourhood Connection group

Our Purpose

- To contribute to national policy & issues of common interest to the Neighbourhood House & Centre Sector in Australia
- To promote and strengthen the national identity of the Neighbourhood House & Centre Sector in Australia
- To enhance the quality, skills and knowledge of the Neighbourhood House & Centre Sector in Australia
- To support the activity and work of the Neighbourhood House & Centre Sector in Australia



Bellarine Living and Learning Centre

Our Principles and Practice

The ANHCA community acts as a significant platform for social inclusion and is united by its focus on:

- The practice of community development at a local level
- Building community services controlled and managed by local people
- Building the capacity of individuals, families and communities
- Prevention and early intervention
- The practice of social inclusion at a community, grass roots level
- Building greater networks of support across our communities
- Providing learning opportunities for the community
- Fostering community leadership
- Commitment to equality and opportunity for all people
- Strengths-based practice – people who experience disadvantage can, and should, be actively engaged in the development of their own community and their own future directions
- Local participation and direction in social research planning
- The principles of social justice
- The value provided by trained and skilled volunteers.



15th Birthday Celebration at Notting Hill Neighbourhood House - Victoria

Our National Numbers

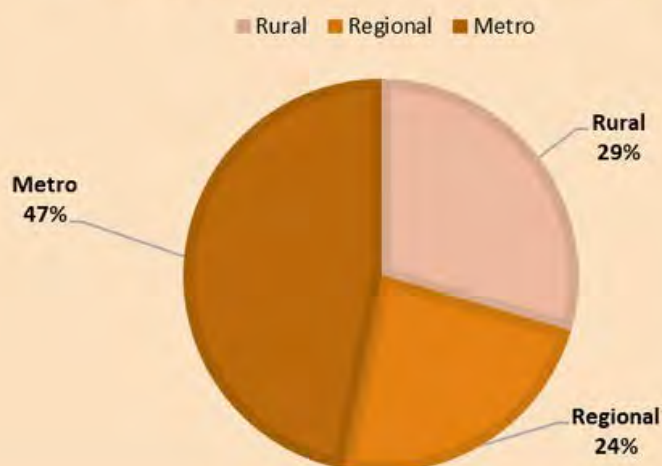


1,021

Number of neighbourhood and community houses and centres in our national network

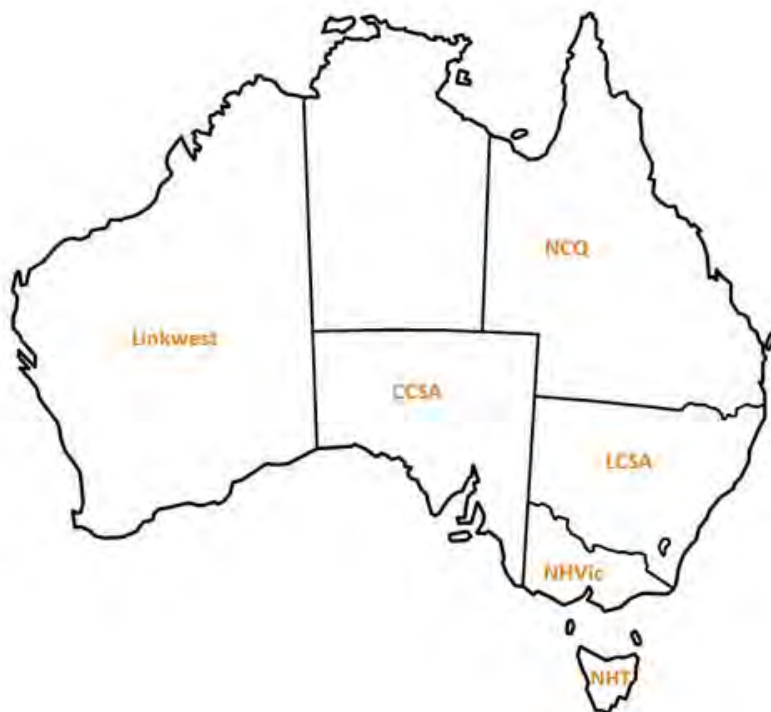
172 New South Wales
143 Queensland
108 South Australia
35 Tasmania
418 Victoria
145 Western Australia

LOCATION OF NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COMMUNITY HOUSES AND CENTRES IN AUSTRALIA



Location of neighbourhood and community houses and centres in regional/ rural vs metro in Australia

Our Members



Community Centres South Australia (CCSA)
(08) 8371 4622 | communitycentressa.asn.au

Linkwest Western Australia
(08) 9485 8929 | linkwest.asn.au

Local Community Services Association (LCSA NSW)
(02) 9660 2044 | lcsansw.org.au

Neighbourhood Houses Tasmania (NHT)
(03) 6228 6515 | nht.org.au

Neighbourhood Houses Victoria (NHVic)
(03) 9602 1228 | nhvic.org.au

Neighbourhood Centres Queensland
info@ncq.org.au | ncq.org.au



Mt Gravatt Community Centre QLD



Goodwood Community Centre SA



Lalor Living and Learning Centre

Who We Are

State Representatives

New South Wales

Gretchen Young (July 2021 – November 2021) & Paul Sekfy (November 2021– June 2022)

Queensland

Tomas Passeggi

South Australia

Kylie Fergusen

Tasmania

Jonathon Bedloe (July 2021 – November 2021) & Patricia O'Duffy (November 2021– March 2022)
Melinda Reed (March 2022 – June 2022)

Victoria

Greg Ferrington

Western Australia

Jane Chilcott (July 2021 – November 2021) & James Jarvis (November 2021– June 2022)

Board Members

President

Nicole Battle

Vice President

Jane Chilcott (July 2021 – November 2021) & Em James (November 2021– June 2022)

Treasurer

Michael Higgins (July 2021 – November 2021) & Gretchen Young (November 2021– June 2022)

Secretary

Gretchen Young (July 2021 – November 2021) & Jane Chilcott (November 2021– June 2022)

Ordinary Member

Kylie Fergusen
Melinda Reed (November 2021– June 2022)
Tomas Passeggi (July 2021 – November 2021)
James Jarvis (November 2021– June 2022)

Staff

Chief Operating Officer

Cameron MacRae

National Grants and Public Fund Manager

Emily Harnett

Communications Officer

Emma Wordsworth (July 2021 – May 2022)



William Langford Community House WA

The Year in Review

In reflecting on the last 12 months, it is hard to not to think about the challenges we have all continued to face with the global pandemic. It is also a point of pride as we acknowledge the ongoing work of Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres across the country in the way each has responded to continue to support their communities. To this end, we are also proud of the response of our national sector to other global events as they have rallied to raise funds for Afghani refugees and those impacted by the war in Ukraine. This goes towards our sectors commitment to making the world more just and equitable for all.

In line with this, in September, Local Community Services Association (LCSA), the peak body in NSW, in partnership with ANHCA hosted the International Federation of Settlements and Neighbourhood centres (IFS) conference. This conference provided a wonderful platform and opportunity for the international network of Settlement and Neighbourhood Houses and Centres to come together to explore the theme "Social Justice: The Unfinished Journey, Global Issues – Local Solutions" and for us all to connect, learn, share and celebrate being part of the global movement to promote social justice. A big thank you goes to everyone involved in making the conference such a resounding success!!

In May each year, we have a nationwide initiative to celebrate the role of our 1000+ Neighbourhood and Community houses and Centres through our Neighbourhood House week. Our theme this year was 'Building resilience by bringing people together.' The week was a roaring success, and it was wonderful to see the joy and connection that this week brought across the country.

As has been our honour since 2019, this year we had another incredible year of grants through our Supporting Stronger Communities grant program. Through the generosity of the Sidney Myer Fund, ANHCA was able to fund 28 projects with a total of over \$250,000 going to fund projects around the country targeting poverty and disadvantage. We look forward to continuing this partnership with Sidney Myer Fund in enabling house and centres to support their local communities.



The Year in Review

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Cameron MacRae, the COO of ANHCA, for his tireless work for our national sector. His support of the houses and centres across the country on financial and legislative matters as well as his advocacy for our work on a national scale is significant and to be commended.

In the upcoming AGM, several important ANHCA people will not be seeking renomination and we would like to take a moment to thank them for their contribution. Nicole Battle has been ANHCA's president for the last 3 years, and we would like to thank her for her leadership, vision and commitment to the national sector. Gretchen Young, who has been ANHCA's secretary and for the last year our Treasurer has made a strong and lasting contribution to ANHCA's work for the last 8 years. Kylie Fergusen has been both a board member and state representative

for Community Centres South Australia and has been a passionate advocate for our work. Greg Ferrington has been NHVic's representative and has supported our work with passion and dedication. We would also like to acknowledge the work of our Communications magician, Emma Wordsworth who we said goodbye to in May 2022. Emma's talents and creativity brought ANHCA to a new level and we are grateful for all her work and its lasting impact. To each of you, we would like to thank you for your contribution to ANHCA and on behalf of the board and our national sector, you will all be greatly missed.

**Emily Harnett,
ANHCA National Grants
and Public Fund Manager**



Treasurer's Message

This was my first year as a treasurer after many years of being on the board and acting as secretary. However, I will sadly be resigning from this position knowing that ANHCA is in good hands moving forward. I wish the staff and board all the very best into the future.

The audit report has been prepared by Tony Ager who has expressed the opinion that the report presents a true and fair view of the financial position of ANHCA as of 30 June 2022.

Continued from the previous year, ANHCA has received another \$300,000 for Sidney Myer Grants – Amongst which \$50,000 has gone toward operational costs and the remaining \$250,000 to go out as grants to houses/centres.

Apart from Sidney Myer Grants, the total of all other grants/donations received into Public Fund was \$294,988, a decrease of \$82,448 from previous year. This results in a decrease in the admin fee and thus, a decrease of \$89,060 in total revenue from previous year.

ANHCA was still eligible during the last financial year to access the Victoria Business support grants, which contributed \$45,400 to income for the year.

Grants & Income in Advance shows undistributed Sidney Myer Grant, which is to be carried forward to and distributed in the next year.

Provisions for staff entitlements have decreased by a minor amount, reflecting a reduced liability for Long Service Leave.

Gretchen Young
Treasurer,
ANHCA



Pingelly CRC WA

Communications Report

Direct Marketing

To foster a better relationship between the national peak and neighbourhood and community houses and centres, ANHCA continued its direct marketing. This is an opt in service where sector members can sign up and receive monthly newsletters and important updates through the website. Through this marketing channel ANHCA has been able to directly engage with its members and provide pertinent information in a single collective message. Contents of these newsletters have ranged from informing members on grants, upcoming key events and invitations.



Social Media

A number of national campaigns continued including the Sustainable Development Goals Superstars, with the tagline #SDGSuperstars, which highlighted the work that houses and centres do around the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and promoting Neighbourhood House week.



253 Subscribers



519 Instagram Followers



1.4K Facebook Followers



Reconciliation workshop – South Australia



Neighbourhood House Week

9-15 May 2022

Building resilience by bringing people together

Neighbourhood House Week

Neighbourhood House Week happened across Australia from 9 to 15 May 2022 with the theme of 2022 being 'Building resilience by bringing people together'.

This is a nationwide initiative to celebrate the role of over 1,000 Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres. Given the difference across the states, in New South Wales, Queensland, and Western Australia, it is referred to as Neighbourhood Centre Week, and in South Australia it is referred to as Community Centre Week.



Notting Hill Neighbourhood House in Victoria celebrated Neighbourhood House Week with an amazing fun-filled week full of classes, events and a community get-together!



Notting Hill Neighbourhood House



Counterpoint Community Services

At Counterpoint Community Services in NSW they had a Cultural lunch to celebrate Neighbourhood Centre Week. An amazing feast was prepared by community members Yawen, May, Mabel, Phong and served by community members encompassing the true spirit of the Neighbourhood Centre Week by bringing the community together.

This year for Neighbourhood Centre Week, Nicolette Frost and her team at The Neighbourhood Hub Mackay hosted a Human Library event. Human Libraries allow readers to borrow a 'human book' and listen to their life story. The event was designed to offer a safe space for conversations that challenge stereotypes and prejudices and provide an opportunity for community members to connect, learn and understand.



The Neighbourhood Hub Mackay



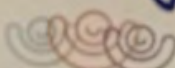
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Mt. Graatt Community Cntr.

because...

They help me in times of need
and put a ☺ on my face ! ♥

#NCWeek2022


Neighbourhood
Centre Week

Mount Gravatt Community Centre celebrating Neighbourhood Centre Week

IFS CONFERENCE SYDNEY (13-17 SEP 2021)



SOCIAL JUSTICE

THE UNFINISHED JOURNEY

GLOBAL ISSUES – LOCAL SOLUTIONS

IFS Conference

Back in 2018, a delegation from LCSA (Local Community Services Association in NSW), attended the International Federation of Settlements and Neighbourhood Centres (IFS) Conference in Helsinki Finland where they successfully pitched to host the next IFS Conference. This was originally scheduled to be held in August 2020, however the global pandemic saw the conference postponed to 2021 and resulted in it needing to be delivered online.

Held from the 14th to the 17th of September 2021, the first Southern Hemisphere international conference was hosted by LCSA in partnership with ANHCA. This conference provided a wonderful platform and opportunity for the international network of Settlement and Neighbourhood Houses and Centres to come together to explore the theme "Social Justice: The Unfinished Journey, Global Issues – Local Solutions".

Over the 4 days, there was a plethora of opportunities for the global network to connect, learn, share and celebrate being part of the global movement to promote social justice. There was an extraordinary line up of keynote speakers, panelists, workshops and entertainment, including Stan Grant, Dominique Day, Linda Burney, Eva Cox, Commissioner of Resilience Shane Fitzgerald, Ernesto Sirolli and the Finnish Foreign Minister Pekka Haavisto.

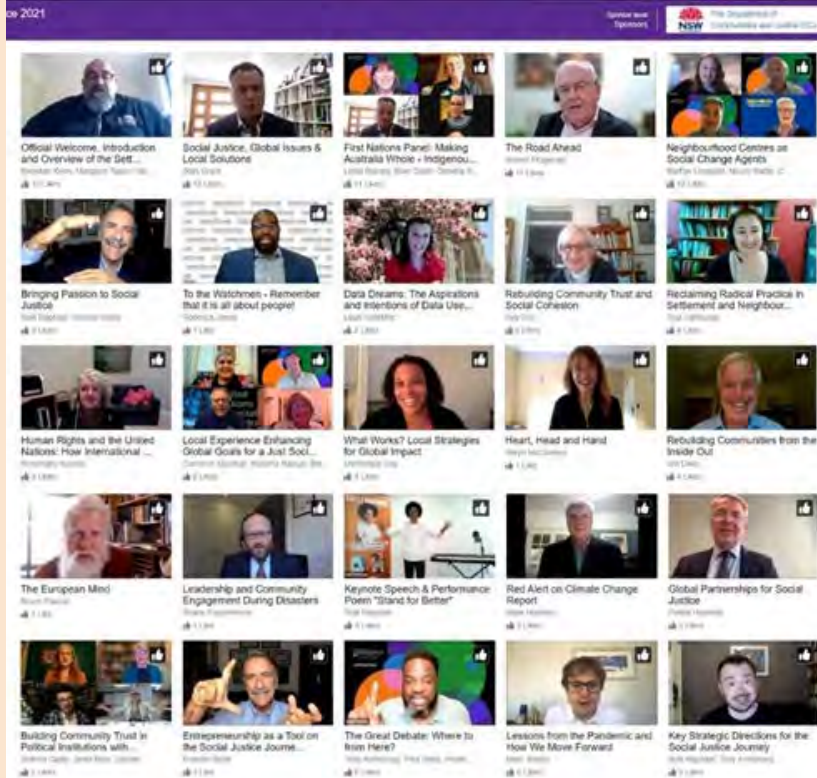
LCSA have archived all the recordings from the conference about where our global network is up to in its social justice journey and is offered as a treasure-trove of resources and inspiration for where we are heading to realise this goal in the future.

[Video recordings from IFS conference 2021](#)



IFS CONFERENCE IN NUMBERS:

- 38 hours of content
- 18 keynote presentations
- 40 workshops
- 5 panel discussions
- 4 documentary films
- 6 networking sessions
- 312 attendees from 30 countries around the world



Whova gallery from IFS conference

IFS Declaration

At the conclusion of the conference, the global network from 30 countries around the world, comprised of thousands of organisations made a collective declaration on working towards Social Justice and the United Nations Sustainable Development goals 2021 IFS Declaration

[2021 IFS Declaration](#)





Yangebup Family Centre - Western Australia

A graphic featuring a white swoosh that starts from the left, curves upwards and to the right, and then curves downwards and to the left, ending near the text. To the right of the swoosh, there is a cluster of colorful dots in various sizes and colors including yellow, red, blue, orange, green, pink, and grey.

NCHC's Sustainable Development Goals *Superstars*

This year, ANHCA continued to showcase the sectors work towards achieving the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals. This campaign highlighted the way that Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres around the country work towards these global goals.

Escare Incorporated in Western Australia took on the school holidays in a FUNtastic way! The Esperance One and for all Community Program was all about making sport and recreation fun with a variety of activities, games and challenges! They offered free workshops as a great way to keep kids active and stimulated over the break.

Getting kids active and with others means better health outcomes for their physical and mental health. By starting healthy habits young, kids are more likely to be health conscious adults. Escare is located in along the South Western Australian Coast.



Escare Incorporated in Western Australia



Inala Community House

Inala Community House targeted SDG 5, Gender Equality with a women's group for survivors of domestic violence. Inala Community House Family Intervention Service runs a 7-week Women's Group for domestic violence survivors. The sessions talked about tough issues like red flags of unhealthy relationships and dangers of strangulation." Inala Community House is based in southwest Brisbane.



**Community Plus + West End
Community House**

With Brisbane in lockdown, Community Plus+ West End Community House like many other houses and centres, still found ways to help their community. They restocked their community pantry every day and offered phone support for anyone who needed it doing everything they could to assist their communities.

Vinnies Community Grants program helped the Lithgow Information and Neighbourhood Centre's efforts to help the community's ongoing recovery from the Black Summer bushfires. LINC community Hub provided information, referral and support, wellbeing workshops and ran programs to develop resilience. They provided take home recovery support packs, which held a wealth of information on local services, key contacts and advice on health and wellbeing. Their aim was to increase social connectedness, reduce isolation, and improve health and wellbeing. Lithgow Information and Neighbourhood Centre is based in regional New South Wales.



**Lithgow Information and
Neighbourhood Centre**

Supporting Stronger Communities Grants



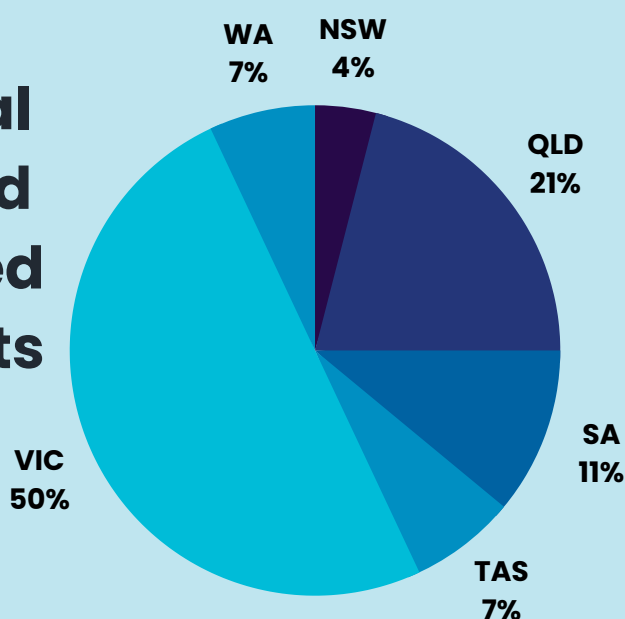
Sidney Myer
SIDNEY MYER FUND

The Sidney Myer Fund has established a partnership with ANHCA to deliver the Supporting Stronger Communities (SSC) grant program. The Sidney Myer Fund provide grants across Australia to improve people's lives in lasting and positive ways. In line with this, the SSC grant program was developed to enable Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres to apply for grants of up to \$10,000 to respond to emerging needs to address poverty and disadvantage to strengthen their local communities. The Sidney Myer Fund have been

incredibly supportive to work with and we have developed an incredible partnership to deliver this national grant program for houses and centres across the country.

Throughout the 2021-2022 financial year, there were three rounds of the SSC awarded. A total 28 projects received funding totalling \$257,418.36. The number of projects that received funding in each state were 1 in NSW, 6 in Queensland, 3 in South Australia, 2 in Tasmania, 14 in Victoria and 2 in Western Australia.

National Spread of Funded Applicants



"The Sidney Myer Fund is delighted to support ANHCA's Supporting Stronger Communities small grants program. ANHCA has developed a program that enables neighbourhood and community houses around Australia to access philanthropic funds and that gets project support to communities where it is needed. It's making a difference."

Kirsty Allen

Senior Program Manager

Sidney Myer Fund and Myer Foundation

Supporting Stronger Communities Grant Recipients

House/Centre	State	Project Title
Fawkner Neighbourhood House (under auspice North West Neighbourhood House Network Inc)	VIC	Fawkner Primary Student After School Homework Program
CIRE Services Inc - YARRA JUNCTION COMMUNITY HUB	VIC	FICE Yarra Junction
Eaglehawk Community House Incorporated	VIC	Food Security Eaglehawk
Sudbury Community House Association	WA	Bites and Bytes for Better Futures
Marlin Coast Neighbourhood Centre	QLD	Multi-Purpose Community Hub
Wendouree Neighbourhood Centre	VIC	Wellness Vibes Program for Women - Wendouree Womens Community Choir
Mount Street Neighbourhood House	VIC	80 Up Club
Community Plus Queensland Inc Yeronga Community Centre	QLD	Cafe Training and Experience

House/Centre	State	Project Title
Reservoir Neighbourhood House	VIC	RezzaNuDu
The Junction Community Centre Inc	SA	'Connecting The Dots'
Logan East Community Neighbourhood Association	QLD	Homework help and youth hub
Laverton Community Centre	VIC	Emergency FoodHub Project
Brentwood Park Neighbourhood House	VIC	Supported Women Support Families
Joondalup Family Centre Inc	WA	Art Connect: Social Art Therapy for Autistic Children and Their Families
Pooraka Farm Community Centre	SA	Future Building - Women inBusiness Training
Hambledon House Community Centre	QLD	Hambledon House food relief program, Cairns South
Wellsprings for Women	VIC	Children's Play Room
Yarrunga Community Centre	VIC	Community meal to Reduce Isolation, Support Inclusion for all Seniors
Elizabeth Rise Community Centre	SA	Meal Prep Mondays
Dixon House Neighbourhood Centre Inc.	VIC	A Helping Hand in Clayton
Redland Community Centre Inc.	QLD	DFV Assist
Banksia Gardens Community Services	VIC	Community Connections
Jordan River Service - Bridgewater Community Centre	TAS	Bridgewater Mental Health Improvement Plan
Hills Community Aid and Information Service Inc	NSW	Greater Western Sydney Rental Assistance Program
Morwell Neighbourhood House & Learning Centre	VIC	Likeable Larrikins
Warrane Mornington Neighbourhood Centre	TAS	More Than A Free Lunch
Caloundra Community Centre	QLD	PIP - Peer Intelligence Project, Peer leadership to support Disaster Resilience
Bellarine Living and Learning Centre (BLLC)	VIC	Operation: Bounce Back

Supporting Stronger Communities Grants



Sidney Myer
SIDNEY MYER FUND



The Junction Community Centre, SA
'Connecting The Dots'
– Funded in Round 8

The local area around Junction Community Centre is very diverse and has the biggest Aboriginal community in metro Adelaide.

They have many disadvantaged & vulnerable community members who despite all being locals/neighbours do not connect because their 'circles' don't overlap. With this funding, they offered day trips to local places of worship plus to different regional areas of significance to the Aboriginal community – to bring locals of all backgrounds together to learn about the various cultures & religions that co-exist in their neighbourhood – in an effort to unite the community to increase strength, capacity and understanding whilst decreasing racism and stereotyping.

This project sought to replicate Cire's First Impressions Clothing Exchange (FICE) at their Yarra Junction Community Hub to assist disadvantaged/long term-unemployed people who identify as female in the Upper Yarra/adjacent areas. FICE aimed to give these women access to affordable clothing suitable for job interviews/work/other important occasions, work experience in a retail setting and equally important, a soft gateway to local training/employment pathways, support services/programs/mentoring, referrals to external agencies where needed, empowering women and fostering meaningful community engagement.



Yarra Junction Community Hub, VIC
'First Impressions Clothing Exchange (FICE)'
– Funded in Round 7

Supporting Stronger Communities Grants



Sidney Myer
SIDNEY MYER FUND

Wellsprings for Women received funding to support the creation of a Children's Play Room in the backyard of their property. This enabled mothers to bring their pre-school children with them to focus on their studies while attending classes as the children were looked after by volunteer child minders in a dedicated playroom. This supported all women especially those from migrant and refugee backgrounds who did not have other options for child minding and couldn't afford child care service so they hadn't been able to attend classes.



Wellsprings for Women, VIC

'Children's Play Room'
– Funded in Round 8



Joondalup Family Centre, WA

'Art Connect: Social Art Therapy for Autistic Children and Their Families'
– Funded in Round 8

Art Connect was a unique group Art Therapy program that enabled autistic children to develop their creative skills in a supported, inclusive environment. The program was facilitated by an Art Therapist and encouraged whole-family participation, strengthening bonds between family members and opening new pathways for communication and connection. The program focused on enhancing positive autistic identity, freeing participants from limiting, neuro-normative standards and breaking down social barriers, which may exclude and isolate them in neurotypical contexts. Individualised support was given for multiple levels of functionality and the program was delivered at a low-cost, decreasing financial barriers for participants.

Supporting Stronger Communities Grants



Sidney Myer
SIDNEY MYER FUND



Warrane Mornington Neighbourhood Centre , TAS

More Than A Free Lunch
– Funded in Round 8

This project includes 10 monthly cooking sessions for 20 participants led by the Project Coordinator with volunteer support to prepare and cook meals with participants completing a Safe Food Handling Course first. They offered a Connections Community Lunch after each session where participants and guests enjoyed a meal and connected with guests from community organisations, Local and State Government and service agencies. 20 food relief parcels are provided on the day containing the ingredients and recipe card from the meal prepared and shared during the workshop. Lucky Door Prizes of a cooking kit will also be offered at each workshop.

To meet an overwhelming demand for emergency food relief in the disadvantaged region of Cairns South, a food relief program was established in October 2020, operating from Hambledon House Community Centre (HHCC). To meet the increase in demand and improve the health and wellbeing of the Cairns South community, Hambledon House used funding from the Supporting Stronger Communities grant to purchase donation bins, two fridges and a freezer to keep the food safe and ensure nothing is wasted.



Hambledon House Community Centre, QLD

Hambledon House Food Relief Program
– Funded in Round 8

ANHCA Public Fund for DGR

ANHCA provides access to Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status to the sector at large, having successfully obtained DGR registration including an amendment to the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (Cth) and being named at law as a DGR organisation. The Public Fund is overseen by a Committee and is a vehicle that Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres can use to attract and accept tax deductible donations or apply for grants from philanthropic foundations/trusts and corporations requiring DGR tax status. The advocacy and ongoing administration of this fund has enabled houses and centres to access vital funds to support their work with communities.

Grants through the ANHCA Public Fund for DGR

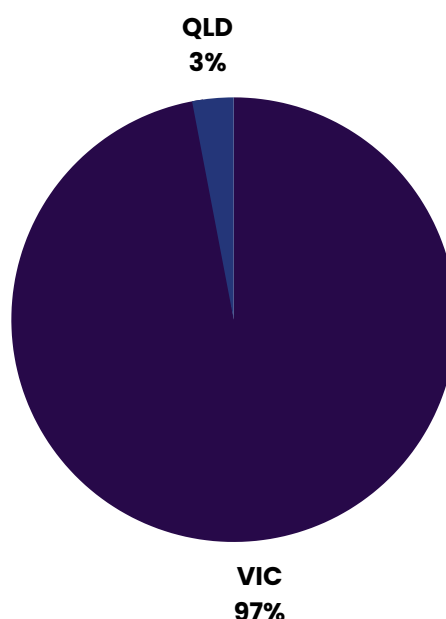
There was a total of 39 applications for grant funding that were put through the ANHCA Public Fund for DGR in 2021-22. These applications came from across two states as we received 1 Queensland and the remaining 38 were from Victoria.

Of the grant applications submitted through the ANHCA Public fund for DGR, there were a total of 18 that received funding. Funding was received by Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres for a range of incredible projects. These include for a Social Inclusion Program for People with a range of Disabilities, homework clubs, an L2P program in regional Victoria and Make It Work Employment Program providing employment support for the migrant and refugee community living on the Carlton Housing Estate. All grant recipients were located in Victoria.

Total amount of Grant funding received in 2021/22

\$227,947.70

National Spread of Grant Applications





Yea Community House received \$5000 from the Hamer Sprout Fund for their Compost and Community food project



Wonthaggi L2P program received a grant from Bass Coast Community Fund

Melbourne Airport Community Grants

The Melbourne Airport offered its third round of their Community Grants program in 2021. This grant program was available for Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres located within 15 kilometres of Melbourne Airport. The grant program was established for the airport to support education and employment initiatives to build economic participation, educational outcomes and social cohesion in Melbourne's northwest.

Melbourne Airport appreciated the existing infrastructure and knowledge of local Neighbourhood Houses in responding to the specific educational and employment needs of their communities. As such they offered \$100,000 of funding being awarded via ten \$10,000 grants. To be eligible, Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres needed DGR status. This resulted in 7 applications going through the ANHCA Public Fund for DGR and all of these applications successfully received funding.





Kensington Neighbourhood House
Strong Foundations

Strong Foundations responds to the needs of Somali Australian children in the Kensington public housing estate. With large families, low parental literacy, limited technology and overcrowded apartments, the move to remote schooling in 2020 was challenging. Children are still catching up on learning lost to lockdown. This is particularly the case for our Grade 1 participants who essentially missed their whole prep year – putting them well behind their more privileged peers. Kensington Neighbourhood House used the funding to continue the activities of the Strong Foundations Program until the end of 2022 ensuring that the momentum established with the 2020 Community Grant continued long enough to have a meaningful impact.

Duke Street Community House (DSCH)
Learning Beyond the Classroom Project

DSCH's Learning Beyond the Classroom Project saw the launch of a homework and social club forging direct links with local secondary schools to address barriers to education and social participation faced by children of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers. DSCH had identified a gap in services that support children of migrants, refugees & asylum seekers. The parents of these children often faced challenges associated with language and cultural barriers, employment and education, and finding time to raise a growing family, which is where the Project stepped in to provide support.

Fraser Rise Children's and Community Centre AND Hillside Community Centre and Neighbourhood House

Both centres to receive funding for the CONSTRUCTING PATHWAYS project- "Creating career pathways to the construction industry for Diverse Communities"

As a direct result of COVID-19, Melton's unemployment rate rose by 5.9% in 2020, in addition to 6,545 community members losing their jobs. The centres utilised the funding to increase the scope of employability, upskilling diverse communities with a focus on the construction industry. The project aimed to engage 100 locals – split between two centres – from diverse communities, offering training in eight languages, enabling participants to enter the workforce with assistance from a recruitment specialist support.

Farnham Street Neighbourhood Learning Centre (FSNLC) worked in partnership with Assembled threads, an employment focused social enterprise providing meaningful work for disadvantaged Victorians, in particular, women from CALD backgrounds, through locally made and ethically certified local manufacturing opportunities. FSNLC provided English language and literacy support to women working with Assembled Threads and also provided an employment pathway for women attending the FSNLC English Program. The Project used the funds to contribute to the employment of the coordinator who assisted Assembled Threads, supported by FSNLC, to transition from a small Social Enterprise to a leading supplier of locally made Personal Protective Equipment and uniforms to all levels of government and construction companies supported by established social procurement frameworks. This project resulted in many CALD women in the City of Moonee Valley and surrounding areas having the ability to secure ongoing employment and have access to Accredited Training.



Farnham Street Neighbourhood Learning Centre

"Sensational Seamstresses" – an employment and training initiative for CALD women

St Albans Community Youth Club (The Tin Shed)

St Albans Community Assistance Scheme

For more than 50 years The St Albans Neighbourhood House has assisted the non-English speaking immigrant community of St Albans with social support and practical assistance. This project expanded on the services already run by volunteers in the facility to assist underemployed and gig economy members of the Chin Myanmar refugee community, increasing their participation in the work force and improving their economic welfare.

North Melbourne Language & Learning

North Melbourne Language & Learning Homework Club | \$10,500

North Melbourne Language & Learning – North Melbourne Language & Learning Homework Club | \$10,500
The Homework Club was established as a pilot project in July 2019, for children in Years four to 10. The club was formed to support children whose parents have poor English and literacy skills and are unable to assist their children with schoolwork. Families were also lacking many of the resources needed to support their children's education including access to digital devices and internet. The club operates weekly, with one co-ordinator and five volunteer tutors.

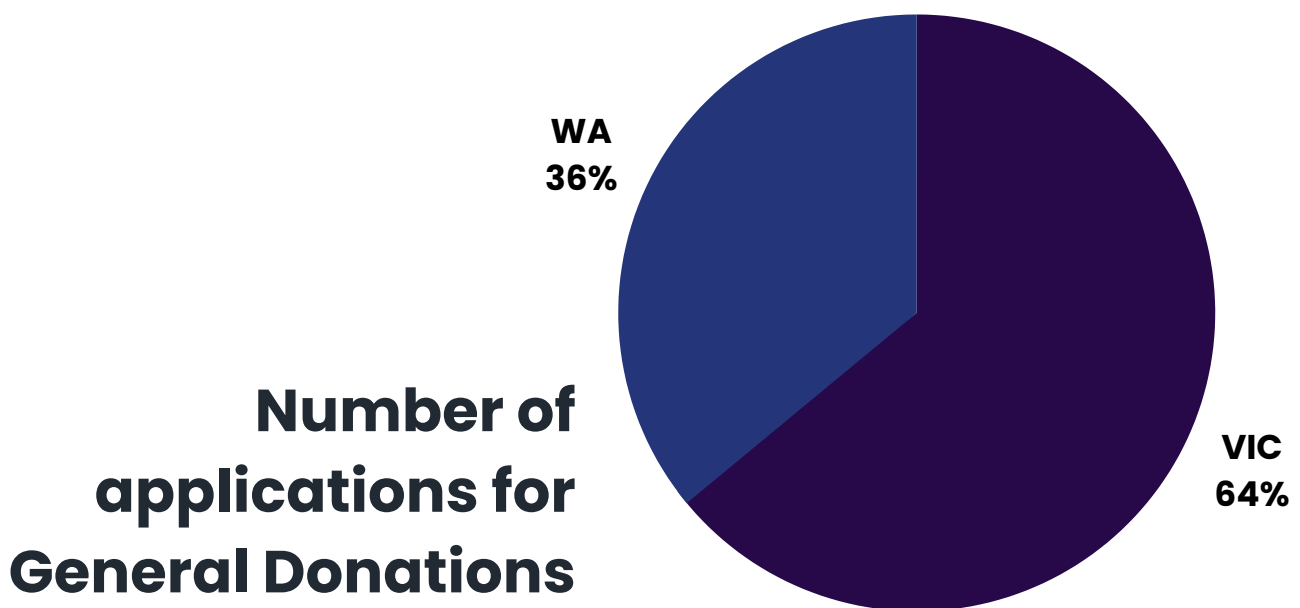
Donations through the ANHCA Public Fund for DGR

There was a total of 11 applications to the Public Fund for DGR from Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres to be able to receive general donations. 8 applications were received from houses and centre in Victoria and 3 were made from WA.

Throughout the 2021/22 financial year, a total of 39 donations were made to the ANHCA Public Fund for DGR for Neighbourhood and Community Houses and Centres. A total of \$60,382.25 was received in donations for houses and centres across the country.

Total amount of donations received in 2020/21

\$60,382.25





Sharing a laugh at Woodlupine Family Centre WA

Afghanistan

As we watched the tragic events unfolding in Afghanistan with deep sadness, in August 2021, ANHCA launched a national fundraising campaign for Afghani refugees who are impacted by the events. Our hearts were with the Afghani people who were suffering mass displacement and those who had lost their lives and their loved ones. Our nation-wide sector rallied together to support those communities directly impacted, with ANHCA collecting donations on behalf of the Neighbourhood and Community House and Centre sector.



Host a morning tea

to support the Afghani refugees impacted by the recent violence in Afghanistan

[#NHNeighboursForAfghanis](#)



Community Centres South Australia

The amazing team at Community Centres South Australia held a morning tea as part of the ANHCA fundraising campaign for Afghani refugees who are impacted by the current events unfolding in Afghanistan.

South Perth Learning Centre held an incredible Plant fundraiser to raise funds for the campaign to raise funds for Afghani refugees. A big thank you to all the donors of plants, the volunteers who manned the reception desk and watered the plants, as well as all the generous buyers and lovers of plants who have contributed to the success of their Plant sales for the Plant Fundraiser.



South Perth Learning Centre



Balla Balla Community Centre

We were left speechless by Balla Balla Community Centre's incredibly generous \$5,000 donation to the #NHNeighboursforAfghanis GoFundMe. "We have many existing Afghanis living in our community. We have also started to see the arrival of the displaced people. Those who were able to get out just prior to the Taliban arriving. Our committee agreed that this was a very worthwhile donation as it will have an impacted on so many in the community."

– Maree Cullinan, Balla Balla Centre Manager

ANHCA raised almost \$7000 that was donated to the Settlement Council of Australia (SCoA) to support recently arrived refugees from Afghanistan to take part in their Stories of Multicultural Australia project. This important project seeks to address the significant underrepresentation of Australians of migrant and refugee background in mainstream media and through the Stories of Multicultural Australia, SCoA will train the next generation of diverse storytellers for media commentary, and to help them shape the conversation on multicultural affairs in Australian news media.

“On behalf of the Settlement Council of Australia, I wish to convey my sincerest thanks to the Australian Neighbourhood Houses and Centres Association, your members, and your staff and volunteers for your generous donation to our Stories of Multicultural Australia project and for your broader commitment to an inclusive and welcoming society for migrants and refugees.”

Sandra Elhelw Wright, Chief Executive Officer, Settlement Council of Australia.





15th Birthday Celebration at Notting Hill Neighbourhood House



Out of country camp for Ukrainian youth, sponsored by ANHCA and NHVic

Ukraine

ANHCA is a member of an international organisation called the International Federation of Settlements (IFS) that represent the neighbourhood and community house and centre sector on a global scale. In February 2022 we all watched in horror the events unfolding as Russia launched its attack on Ukraine.

The IFS began coordinating the international sector to deliver appropriate, timely and targeted assistance to Ukrainian refugees. For the international community, the IFS put out a call for counsellors, youth workers and psychologists around the world, to provide remote support to youth workers via the Association of Youth Centres of Ukraine.

Nicole Battle (ANHCA president) and Jane Chilcott (ANHCA secretary) and Ben Maroney (Supported Pathways) provided one on one support through this initiative. There have also been regular catchups with attendees from our national sector including Cameron MacRae, Greg Ferrington, Victoria Larsson and Emily Harnett

ANHCA put a call out to the national sector to donate to the IFS to assist them in their effort to support Ukrainian refugees which went straight to the IFS. In addition to this, Neighbourhood Houses Victoria donated \$5,000 to the IFS to fund a camp for young people to get out of Ukraine and away from the conflict. These photos are from the camp, and we are proud of the contribution our national network has made to supporting such an important cause.



Out of country camp for Ukrainian youth, sponsored by ANHCA and NHVic

Australian Neighbourhood Houses and Centres Association Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2021

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Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Board's Report For the year ended 30 June 2022

Your board members submit the financial accounts of the Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

Board Members

The names of board members at the date of this report are:

Em James
Gretchen Young
Nicole Battle
Jane Chilcott
James Jarvis
Kylie Fergusen
Melinda Reed

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were: to support and promote the activities of Neighbourhood Houses and Centres.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The deficit from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to

Year ended 30 June 2022	Year ended 30 June 2021
\$	\$
(27,089)	(46,453)

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Board on:



Em James



Gretchen Young

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Income and Expenditure Statement For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Income		
Donations	60,382	108,448
Philanthropic Grants	154,448	268,988
Administration Fee from Public Fund	14,562	19,207
Afghan Funds	6,658	
Sundry Income		2,380
Grants Received - Sidney Myer	320,000	250,000
Grants & Income in Advance brought fwd	170,408	169,910
Grants & Income to Carry Forward	(240,490)	(170,408)
Interest received	258	261
Other income	45,400	85,800
Melbourne Airport Grants	73,500	
Management Fees	50,000	50,000
Total income	655,126	784,586
Expenses		
Accountancy	730	
Administration Fee paid to ANCHA	14,562	19,207
Advertising and promotion		10,250
Agency fees	6,325	
Annual and Long Service Leave charge	(164)	7,121
Audit fees	2,690	1,590
Board, AGM & Meeting expenses		97
Donations Disbursed	56,651	117,661
Philanthropic Grants Disbursed	146,725	246,064
Grant Program - Sidney Myer	11,364	11,364
Governance & Incorporation Fees		185
Insurance	3,671	4,244
Melbourne Airport Disbursed	70,000	
Membership Fees	943	
Public Fund Management		6,000
Prior year GST Adjustment		1,320
Sidney Myer distributions	249,918	279,502
Staff amenities		2,774

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Income and Expenditure Statement For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Staff training	801	1,832
Subscriptions	1,099	2,129
Sundry expenses		1,599
Superannuation	10,151	9,899
Telephone & Teleconferencing		1,018
Travel & Accommodation		1,071
Wages	105,725	104,710
Website & Internet	444	1,402
Workcover	580	
Total expenses	682,215	831,039
Surplus (deficit) from ordinary activities before income tax	(27,089)	(46,453)
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities		
Net surplus (deficit) attributable to the association	(27,089)	(46,453)
Total changes in equity of the association	(27,089)	(46,453)
Opening retained earnings	27,216	73,669
Net surplus (deficit) attributable to the association	(27,089)	(46,453)
Closing retained earnings	127	27,216

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2022

	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash assets	2	268,980	222,357
Current tax assets	3	532	(505)
Total Current Assets		269,512	221,852
Total Assets		269,512	221,852
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Payables	4	14,771	9,939
Provisions	5	14,124	14,289
Other	6	240,490	170,408
Total Current Liabilities		269,385	194,636
Total Liabilities		269,385	194,636
Net Assets		127	27,216
Members' Funds			
Retained profits		127	27,216
Total Members' Funds		127	27,216

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
Cash Flow From Operating Activities		
Receipts from customers & others	654,868	786,241
Payments to Suppliers and employees	(608,503)	(817,360)
Interest received	258	261
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities (note 2)	<u>46,623</u>	<u>(30,858)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	46,623	(30,858)
Cash at the beginning of the year	<u>222,357</u>	<u>253,215</u>
Cash at the end of the year (note 1)	<u><u>268,980</u></u>	<u><u>222,357</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Note 1. Reconciliation Of Cash		
For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.		
Cash at the end of the year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:		
Bank Australia - Operating Account	20,196	49,555
Bank Australia - ANCHA Public Fund	245,748	170,428
Bank Australia - Card Account	3,036	2,374
	<u>268,980</u>	<u>222,357</u>

Note 2. Reconciliation Of Net Cash Provided By/Used In Operating Activities To Operating Profit After Income Tax

Operating profit after income tax	(27,089)	(46,453)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in trade and term debtors		1,917
Increase (decrease) in trade creditors and accruals	2,422	4,759
Increase (decrease) in other creditors	72,490	984
Increase (decrease) in employee entitlements	(164)	7,121
Increase (decrease) in sundry provisions	(1,036)	814
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>46,623</u>	<u>(30,858)</u>

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 June 2022

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Reform Act 2012 and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits commission Act 2012. In the opinion of the board the association is not a reporting entity because it is not reasonable to expect the existence of users who rely on the association's general purpose financial statements for information useful to them for making and evaluating decisions about the allocation of resources.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the Associations Incorporations Reform Act 2012, the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the basis of accounting specified by all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of Accounting Standards AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements, AASB 107: Cash Flow Statements, AASB 108: Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, AASB 1031: Materiality and AASB 1054: Australian Additional Disclosures.

The association has concluded that the requirements set out in AASB 10 and AASB 128 are not applicable as the initial assessment on its interests in other entities indicated that it does not have any subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures. Hence, the financial statements comply with all the recognition and measurement requirements in Australian Accounting Standards.

The association has not assessed whether these special purpose financial statements comply with all the recognition and measurement requirements in Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(a) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

(b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

(c) Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

The association has applied AASB 15: Revenue from Contracts with Customers (AASB 15) and AASB 1058: Income of Not-for-Profit Entities (AASB 1058) using the cumulative effective method.

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 June 2022

Contributed Assets

The association receives assets from the government and other parties for nil or nominal consideration in order to further its objectives. These assets are recognised in accordance with the recognition requirements of other applicable accounting standards (eg. AASB 9, AASB 16, AASB 116 and AASB 138).

On initial recognition of an asset, the association recognises related amounts (being contributions by owners, lease liability, financial instruments, provisions, revenue or contract liability arising from a contract with a customer).

The association recognises income immediately in profit or loss as the difference between initial carrying amount of the asset and the related amount.

Operating Grants, Donations and Bequests

When the association receives operating grant revenue, donations or bequests, it assesses whether the contract is enforceable and has sufficiently specific performance obligations in accordance with AASB 15.

When both these conditions are satisfied, the association:

- identifies each performance obligation relating to the grant
- recognises a contract liability for its obligations under the agreement
- recognises revenue as it satisfies its performance obligations.

Where the contract is not enforceable or does not have sufficiently specific performance obligations, the association:

- recognises the asset received in accordance with the recognition requirements of other applicable accounting standards (eg. AASB 9, AASB 16, AASB 116 and AASB 138)
- recognises related amounts (being contributions by owners, lease liability, financial instruments, provisions, revenue or contract liability arising from a contract with a customer)
- recognises income immediately in profit or loss as the difference between the initial carrying amount of the asset and the related amount.

If a contract liability is recognised as a related amount above, the association recognises income in profit or loss when or as it satisfies its obligations under the contract.

Capital Grant

When the association receives a capital grant, it recognises a liability for the excess of the initial carrying amount of the financial asset received over any related amounts (being contributions by owners, lease liability, financial instruments, provisions, revenue or contract liability arising from a contract with a customer) recognised under other Australian Accounting Standards.

The association recognises income in profit or loss when or as the association satisfies its obligations under the terms of the grant.

Interest Income

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method.

Dividend Income

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The association recognises dividends in profit or loss only when the right to receive payment of the dividend is established.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(d) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

(e) Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

(f) Income Tax

The Association is a Public Benevolent Institution and is exempt from Australian Income Tax. It is endorsed as a Deductible gift Recipient and donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Note 2: Cash assets		
Bank accounts:		
- Bank Australia - Operating Account	20,196	49,555
- Bank Australia - ANCHA Public Fund	245,748	170,428
- Bank Australia - Card Account	3,036	2,374
	<u>268,980</u>	<u>222,357</u>

Note 3: Tax Assets

Current

GST payable	532	(505)
	<u>532</u>	<u>(505)</u>

Note 4: Payables

Unsecured:

- Trade creditors	7,973	5,550
- Other creditors	6,798	4,389
	<u>14,771</u>	<u>9,939</u>
	<u>14,771</u>	<u>9,939</u>

Note 5: Provisions

Current

Employee entitlements*	14,124	14,289
	<u>14,124</u>	<u>14,289</u>

* Aggregate employee entitlements liability	14,124	14,289
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There were 1 employees at the end of the year

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 June 2022

2022

2021

Note 6: Other Liabilities

Current

Contract Liabilities (Grants & Income in Advance)	240,490	170,408
	<u>240,490</u>	<u>170,408</u>

Note 7: Auditors' Remuneration

Remuneration of the auditor of the company for:

Auditing or reviewing the financial report	2,690	1,590
Other services		
	<u>2,690</u>	<u>1,590</u>

Note 8: ANCHA Public Fund

In February 2014, the Association established and now maintains a Public Fund ("the Fund") with Deductible Gift Recipient Status (DGR status). The fund receives gifts of money and property made to the Association to support the activity and work of Neighbourhood Houses and Centres throughout Australia. The Fund receives Philanthropic Grants and Donations and distributes the funds to Neighbourhood Houses and Centres less a 5% Administration Fee.

Income and Expenditure Statement

For the year ended 30 June 2022

Income:

Donations	60,382	108,448
Philanthropic Grants	154,448	268,988
Interest received	207	220
Total income	<u>215,037</u>	<u>377,656</u>

Expenses:

Administration Fee paid to ANCHA	14,562	19,207
Donations Disbursed	56,651	117,661
Philanthropic Grants Disbursed	146,725	246,064
Total expenses	<u>217,938</u>	<u>382,932</u>
Net Surplus (Deficit) attributable to Public fund	<u>(2,901)</u>	<u>(5,276)</u>

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association**Statement by Members of the Board
For the year ended 30 June 2022**

The Board has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

In the opinion of the Board the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position, and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association as at 30 June 2022 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by:



Em James
Vice Chair



Gretchen Young
Treasurer

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association (the association), which comprises the Statement by Members of the Board, the Income and Expenditure Statement, Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2022, a summary of significant accounting policies and the certification by members of the board on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the association as at 30 June 2022 and [of] its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012..

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the association to meet the requirements of Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of the Board for the Financial Report

The board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012, the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and for such internal control as the board determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the board is responsible for assessing the association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the board either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the board.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the board's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the board regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Signed on :

ASSUR PTY LTD
 Authorised Audit Company Number: 453122
 Chartered Accountants

Anthony Ager - Director Audit & Assurance
 Chartered Accountant

Australian Neighbourhood Houses & Centres Association

Certificate by Member of the Board For the year ended 30 June 2022

I, Em James and I, Gretchen Young certify that:

- a. We will attend the annual general meeting of the association to be held on 22 November 2022
- b. The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2022 will be submitted to the members of the association at its annual general meeting.

Dated

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Em James
Board Member



Gretchen Young
Board Member

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