



**Women's Liberation Halfway House** 

Family Violence Service



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## **Acknowledgement**

WLHH acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land upon which we live, work and learn. We pay our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their cultures, to Elders both past, and present.

WLHH acknowledges the women and children who have been killed by someone they once loved and trusted, and those who continue to live with the trauma of family violence.





## **OUR VALUES**

## Collaboration

WLHH builds
partnerships and
collaborates with
others who use our
service, to achieve
individual holistic
positive outcomes, and
to advocate for
systemic changes to
policy, law and
community attitudes.

## **Feminist**

WLHH is a feminist organisation whose work is underpinned by a structural and intersectional undestanding of gender inquality.

## Respect

WLHH provides a service that dignifies choices, experiences, cultures and rights to self-determination.

## **OUR MISSION**

WLHH provides a comprehensive crisis response to victim/survivors experiencing family violence, including people from communities with access to least resources, to effectively support them in their transition and recovery.

## OUR VISION

Our vision is a community free from violence in which women, men and gender non-conforming people have equal access to power and freedom to realise their life choices and potential.





# OUR TEAM

		meetings attended		
Autumn	Chair	7/10	Deb	Executive Director
Rose	Deputy Chair	10/10	Yan	Senior FV Practitioner
Manisha	Treasurer	9/10	Laura	Financial Officer
Deb	Secretary	10/10	Emma	Specialist Children's FV Practitioner
Anna	Member	8/10	Ratha	FV Practitioner
Donna	Member	8/10	Mem	FV Practitioner
Stephanie	Member	9/10	Liliana	FV Practitioner

**STAFF** 

# CHAIR & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The 2021-22 year was one of anticipation, both for opening our new refuge and operating more freely in a COVID normal landscape.

Lockdowns continued to be a feature of post-vaccine Victoria, causing time delays compounded by ongoing supply chain disruptions and materials shortages, meaning our new site has yet to open. The impact of uncertainty and instability for both staff and clients has been significant, and we acknowledge their resilience. When the office lease expired, staff moved into a temporary premises which has proven sub-optimal for longer term use, yet their commitment to business continuity and quality service delivery remains unwavering.

Despite delays in opening our Core and Cluster purpose-built accommodation facility in the northeast region, the continued implementation of the Royal Commission into Family Violence recommendations affords us the opportunity to strengthen organisational capacity while planning for significant growth. We are well positioned to ensure that once we do open our doors in the northeast region we are delivering quality complex case management responses to clients. Our new DDA unit also ensures we can accommodate women and/or children requiring wheel-chair access or those accompanied by a carer.

An operational decision was made to change the names of support workers to Family Violence Practitioners to more adequately reflect the specialist nature of the work undertaken. We are pleased to have welcomed two new Family Violence Practitioners to the team who seamlessly fitted into WLHH's culture. They bring with them both family violence and cultural experience which has value added to our already diverse team.

In line with seeing children as victim/survivors of family violence in their own right, we also recruited for a Specialist Children's Family Violence Practitioner. This is also an important role in ensuring that the views of children are taken into account when setting up our new core and cluster.



The organisation is accredited under both the Human Service's Standards (DFFH) and the QIC Health and Community Services Standards. This accreditation was recently up for review and we were extremely pleased to have successfully passed with no corrective actions being recommended. The amount of work required is extensive and staff are to be congratulated for their efforts.



The Board continues to meet online, as now four of its members have moved outside of Victoria, however the commitment to delivering strong governance within an evolving state and regional context remains focused and steadfast. Autumn Pierce has assumed the role of Board Chair, with Anna Northeast remaining on the Board, and Rose Stranan stepping into the Deputy Chair role.

We would like to thank our funders, Family Safety Victoria through the Department of Families, Fairness & Housing and all those who continue to support the work of WLHH. Our particular thanks go to our hard-working staff and Board members.

Autumn & Deb Chairperson and Executive Director

## **WLHH SERVICES**

## Refuge (Crisis accommodation)



WLHH's refuge provides short-term highsecurity crisis accommodation to women and children escaping family violence and needing immediate protection.

The refuge is a residential property with communal living arrangements, which will be replaced by the core and cluster model in the near future.

## **THM & Community**



Transitional housing gives women and children greater stability to receive further support from external services and to recover from their trauma. The rent is in general 25% of their Centrelink income, and much lower than the market price. Unfortunately the resource of transitional housing is very limited.

#### Motel



WLHH partners with Safe Steps Family Violence Response Centre by providing face to face outreach support to clients accommodated at motels when they have newly escaped family violence and are waiting for crisis accommodation at a refuge or other housing where applicable.

## Intensive case management support

All victim survivors residing in the WLHH's refuge are provided with intensive case management support. Some victim survivors residing in THMs and in the community may be provided intensive case management support if there are severe or elevated risk levels.

## Case management and Outreach Support

All case management practices at WLHH are underpinned by an equitable, inclusive, person-centred, strengths based and trauma informed approach. Case management requires active collaboration with other organizations to seek the best interests of a victim survivor from entering to exit of WLHH services.

WLHH provides case management to women and children who are self-referred, referred by community services, exiting from the refuge or transitional housing, reside in a private rental property, return home with security systems, Office of Housing, community housing, living with family or friends or in motels due to lack of housing options and in need of ongoing support to address their issues.

## **Outreach Support**

The provision of outreach support includes emotional support, material aid, such as toiletries, toys, clothing, mobile phones, and vouchers for groceries, petrol and medications, to information and advice about safety, housing, legal, and health.

Refuge (Crisis accommodation)



**THM & Community** 

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Motel

Intensive case management support

Case management and Outreach Support

Outreach Support

Women 34

Children 34

76

94

151

111





- Women from culturally and linguistically diverse background (CALD)
  - Women with

    Non Permanent
    Residency Immigration
    status
  - pregnant whilst in Refuge

## Identified as Aboriginal

- Woman
- **2** Children

## Women's age

9%	17 - 24
50%	25 - 34
35%	35 - 49
6%	50 - 70

Children's age

74 %

26% >- 1 53% 1- 5 15% 6 - 9 6% 10 - 17

Refuge not suitable due to safety concern and communal living setting women

33% CALD

# SENIOR FAMILY VIOLENCE PRACTITIONER REPORT

Trauma-informed practice in a person centred approach stays at the essence of our practice

Under the shadow of the second year of the COVID pandemic and the ongoing delay of office and refuge relocation, the WLHH team has again demonstrated a high level of resilience and flexibility throughout the year, and continued to provide quality service to women and children.

The WLHH team strives to achieve the best outcomes for all women and children, always walking the extra mile alongside them and demonstrating strong advocacy in areas such as working through the legal and justice system, referrals for assistance with mental health and AOD misuse, housing resources, funding applications, education and employment, and collaborative practice with Safe Steps and other refuges for the proper support for women and children with complex needs.

WLHH FV practitioners actively look for resources to support women and children. We have been able to secure ongoing donations for safe smartphones, free safety watches, and clothing and work closely with local community service for free groceries and cooked meals.

- For COVID safety, our refuge did not reach its full capacity for most of the year in order to offer all residents greater space in the communal areas.
- When women choose to return home, staff make sure women make informed decisions with safety and support in place for their return.
- A woman and her 14-year-old son were offered separate rooms. This meant they occupied two vacancies for six weeks in having their own space to work on recovery and healing.

Ongoing quality improvement is a core value of our service. To ensure children are seen as victim-survivors in their own right, as mentioned in the Executive Director's report, we have created a new position for a Children's Family Violence Practitioner, who has spent quality time and provided age appropriate support and meaningful activities to children accessing our refuge.

Tailored activities with a focus on creating a sense of safety and connection through art, music or imaginative play have supported our assessment of the children and helped to work with the children and their mothers around healing goals. We have seen children becoming more open to talking about their trauma and engaging positively with the practitioners.

Whilst the continually delayed move has meant working in sub-standard conditions for longer than anyone would want, the team spirit has continued to shine though the chaos and uncertainty. I would like to specially thank Emma, Liliana and Ratha for their unity, positivity, dedication and wonderful work, and a sincere welcome to Mem who whilst new, has already become an integral part of the team.

Yan

Senior Family Violence
Practitioner

# HIGHLIGHTS

50 %

Families have secured

## **Medium and long term accomodation**

through community housing services, Office of Housing and private renting market; and

20 %
Safe at home

Families have returned to their homes with safety measures and or local support in place.

## Establising a new home

An average of 2 homes were established each month with support for bond and rent assistance, house moving, funding applications for furniture and white goods, and or purchases of those items, and utility connections, etc.

## Flexible support packages

Staff have quickly adapted to the changes of the online FSP portal and have lodged 13 applications since December 2021.

## E safe:

Around 60 phones and sim card were provided to women.

## **Assistance** after refuge

Assistance was provided to set up 24 new and safe homes for women and children exiting from the refuge or residing in the community.

## **Financial resources**

Along with making referrals for financial counselling, staff were able to make the most of the external funding resources, such as FSP (Flexible Support Package), EVP (Escape violence program) and Queen's fund, Family Violence Brokerage, etc.

## **Immigration status**

Women were granted permanent residency while residing in the refuge.

## **Children's Court:**

Advocacy and assistance were provided to support the best interests of the children.

## **Family reunification**

Family reunification: Two women were assisted in regaining 50 per cent custody of their children.

## **Legal fees**

One working woman was assisted with legal fees of \$16,500 through a funding application so that she would not be overwhelmed and disadvantaged by the lengthy and costly family court proceedings

## **Employment and education**

Nineteen women obtained employment or maintained work, while six continued or enrolled in study.

## Pet support

For the very first time, an indoor pet was safely accommodated in the refuge for more than four months.

## **Property settlements:**

Referrals for legal advice and support regarding property settlements have increased this year.

## Misidentification

A staff member has been supporting and advocating for a woman misidentified as a PUV in the Magistrate court proceedings.

## **Intervention Orders**

IVO orders: ongoing support with IVO applications and/or assistance in further hearing procedures. One woman was granted a lifelong IVO.

## OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

# visitors increased 15%

1684

Unique visitors to our website

We received 17 messages via our website, many requesting support or offering donations.

The majority of our visitors continue to be from Australia (78.6%) followed by the US (12%). Almost half of all visitors (49%) come through search engines but a significant amount (40%) used our URL to find us directly.

Facebook is a great platform to promote WLHH and our cause, spreading our message against Family Violence.

Facebook facilitate the interaction with other organisations, donors and everyone who contributes in the achievement of our mission and vision.

Facebook is an excellent way to connect and communicate with our stakeholders and share valuable information.





## **KELLY & LUCY'S STORY**

Kelly\* came to Australia as a student in 2013, she met Ahmed and soon afterwards became pregnant with Lucy\*. When sharing the news with Ahmed he suggested an abortion, leaving Kelly feeling utterly devastated. Kelly decided to extend her student visa, give up her dream of studying for a master's degree and instead chose to get a certificate qualification as a shorter path to having a job as a means to support herself and her yet unborn child.

She returned to her home country to give birth. Ahmed changed his mind and decided to go abroad and meet Lucy. At that time Ahmed presented as a kind and supportive person, and Kelly felt safe coming back to Australia with him.

The dream of starting a family and having the support of Ahmed as a father fell apart very quickly. Ahmed constantly complained about paying for childcare due to Kelly's student visa status and regularly accused her of being a financial burden. Ahmed also started to force her to have sex if she wanted a roof over her head.

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Kelly commenced work in a factory but this became financial abuse as she had to give more than half of her income to Ahmed for rent and daily expenses. Kelly also had to pay for childcare and after-hours care. Kelly was working extensive hours, also suffering violence at work, while Lucy had to stay in day-care for more than 12 hours a day.



Ahmed used aggressive parental discipline towards Lucy, such as corporal punishment and psychological aggression. When Kelly tried to intervene, the situation worsened as Ahmed always dismissed Kelly and reacted violently towards them both.

In January 2020, Kelly was desperate and started planning to leave the relationship. Kelly got her permanent residency in Australia. On visiting Centrelink for some financial support, she was advised of a waiting period following permanent residency being granted. She continued to be trapped under Ahmed's control.

Ahmed began threatening Kelly with physical violence and then tried to choke Lucy. Kelly fled her home with her daughter the same day and contacted the police. Kelly obtained an Intervention Order and managed to initially get accommodation support from a friend.

Kelly and Lucy were referred to WLHH refuge by Safe Steps in May 2021; they came accompanied by their puppy, called Kiki, who was a great therapeutic pet for Lucy.

WLHH has multilingual and multicultural family violence practitioners who culturally respond to our diverse clients. After consulting with Kelly, WLHH allocated a practitioner who spoke the same language as Kelly facilitating the communication and direct support provided.

During the stay at the refuge, the practitioner assisted Kelly in enrolling Lucy in a local primary school and closely worked on their safety and case plans. There were several FVIO breaches when Ahmed was still trying to find their location by contacting schools, hospitals, and Centrelink. The family violence practitioner accompanied Kelly to report to the police FVIO breaches.

Child protection initiated an investigation and approved supervised contact. Ahmed did not stop using parental alienation tactics. Lucy came back emotionally disturbed after each visit. Child protection closed the case as they considered Kelly was acting protectively and being in WLHH refuge meant the family were safe. However, they approved Ahmed to have supervised contact with Lucy through a contact agency. Lucy was referred to counselling and a children's recovery program.

Having been financially abused for years, Kelly's debts were increasing. The practitioner referred Kelly for financial counselling, where she was assisted in getting payment arrangements and clearing her credit scores. The practitioner successfully applied for FSP to cover Kelly's car insurance, preventing further financial stress in case of an accident and making sure the family were safe when attending appointments, school, and recreational activities.

Prior to leaving refuge Kelly's main concern was to find a safe place to live with her daughter. The family violence practitioner submitted a public housing application and liaised with a housing service and successfully advocated for affordable community housing. Kelly and her daughter are now settled in long-term, safe accommodation. During this time, a further FSP was applied for and Kelly was able to receive support for furnishings in establishing her new home.





## **JACINTA'S STORY**

Jacinta\* and her two teenage daughters were referred to WLHH for outreach support by a community organisation. Jacinta had recently separated from her partner due to family violence, but he continued to stalk, threaten, and attend the home of Jacinta and, her children. WLHH provided urgent assistance to fund Jacinta's locks to be changed and assisted her in creating a safety plan.

During an appointment with her Family Violence Practitioner, Jacinta disclosed that she had also experienced family violence from the children's father and was currently going through family court to decide the care arrangements for their children. Jacinta explained how the court hearings had been happening for several years and described how the father had used the court process to cause significant financial loss, emotional harm and as a means of perpetrating threats and intimidation. It became clear to Jacinta's practitioner, that the person using violence was using Systemic Abuse to continue perpetrating further family violence.

Through a risk assessment Jacinta's practitioner was able to help her identify the person was using violence as a pattern of behaviour, his manipulation of the legal system and how this enabled him to continue to exert power and control over her and her children.

This was causing Jacinta significant emotional and financial distress and was also re-traumatising to her children who were forced to engage with the legal system on a number of occasions. Jacinta's practitioner applied for a Flexible Support Package to cover the outstanding legal fees highlighting how these were as a result of the ongoing violence.

Although the fees exceeded the usual limit of this funding, the funding was granted to cover the remaining costs.

The hearings have since been finalised and Jacinta was granted sole care and responsibility of her two children. Jacinta was so grateful and relieved for this support and can now focus on healing and moving forward from the trauma she and her children have experienced.



## DONORS AND SUPPORTERS

WLHH would like to recognise the effort of individuals and organisations who have provided funding, material aid and donations to the women and children who access our service.

The donations we received were diverse and helpful. For example, having all-size nappies, clothing, toys, toiletries, children's books, gift bags, Mother's Day gifts, Christmas hampers, and makeup all go to cheering up the women and children at their low points.

We also received donations that contributed to the women's safety and housing reestablishment.

- Dpt Families, Fairness & Housing
- Family Safety Victoria
- Safe & Equal
- Next Steps
- Kew Junction Business Assoc
- Threads of Kindness
- Koala
- Lisa Du
- Kew Neighbourhood House
- Eastern Emergency Relief
- Uber
- Mulgrave Private Hospital
- Country Women's Association
- StreetSmart
- G&L Gates Legal Firm
- Glen Iris Road Uniting Church
- Rotary Prahran

- Generosity Collective
- St Kilda Mum's
- Hawthorn Community Chest
- Uniting care Kew
- DV Safe Phones
- Impact
- You Matter
- Kew Baptist Church
- Friends with Dignity
- Good2Give
- Phillip Webb Real Estate
- The Nappy Collective
- Koala Comforts
- Boroondara Community Outreach
- Samara Nicholls
- Share the Dignity



## TREASURER'S REPORT

While residual challenges arose due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and construction delays impacted the progress of our new Core and Cluster facility, staff demonstrated true resilience throughout a difficult year. The Board of Management and staff eagerly await the delivery of the new refuge and significant activity has been undertaken in preparation of the new service delivery model.

For the year ended 30 June 2022, the financial performance results reflect \$970,756 in income and \$866,599 in expenses, resulting in an operating surplus of \$104,157.

Gross Income received during the year has increased by \$22,526 year on year attributed to new special purpose grants and I would like to thank the efforts of all staff in securing this extra funding for projects geared towards supporting our clients.

During the year, WLHH received \$4,997 in donations and we are thankful to the individuals and groups for their support.

Ordinary operating expenses during the year increased by \$97,167 compared with 2021, attributed to accreditation expenses, staffing costs and office expenses as operational rhythm stabilises post Covid-19.

It is my pleasure to serve as the Treasurer for Women's Liberation Halfway House (WLHH) and present this report for the year ended 30 June 2022. Thank you to our finance worker Laura for her support and assistance during the year. I would also like to thank and acknowledge Deb Bryant for her support over the past year in her role as Executive Director at WLHH.

Additional governance measures implemented throughout the year include the establishment of the Finance and Risk Subcommittee to ensure prudent financial management as the organisation embarks on a period of significant growth.

Net asset trends remain positive, with a balance of \$465,536 at the end of the reporting period. Total assets amount to \$1,369,509 and include \$37,343 in property, plant and equipment, and \$1,323,236 in cash and term deposits, while total liabilities equal \$903,973 of which \$675,761 relate to income received in advance.

Liquidity at the end of the financial year remains solid due to high cash reserves attributed to grant income and income received in advance including funding received for our new facility. The working capital ratio at the end of the year is 1.5, which means that WLHH has 1.5 times more cash available than we need to meet our current liabilities of \$877,807.

I would like to congratulate and thank all staff for their efforts during a particularly challenging year and look forward to the year ahead.

Treasurer





## FINANCIAL REPORT

for the year ended 30 June 2022



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## **Board Members Report**

For the year ended 30 June 2022

Your board members submit the financial accounts of the Women's Liberation Halfway House Inc for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

#### **Board Members**

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

Deborah Bryant Manisha Soosaipillai Anna Northeast Roshanthi Hazel Kroone Autumn Marie Pierce Stephanie Mchugh Donna McSkimming

#### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were: Providing short term crisis, supported accommodation for women and women with children who need to leave their homes as a result of domestic or family violence. We also provide support to women in the community who require a response.

#### Significant Changes

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

#### **Operating Result**

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

Year ended	Year ended
30 June 2021	30 June 2022
\$	\$
223,850	104,157

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

Deb Bryant

Deborah Bryant

Manisha Soosaipillai

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



## **Income and Expenditure Statement**

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Income	\$	\$
Interest received	64	715
Otherincome	2,723	164
Grants Received		
- Grant - DFFH Operating	1,180,230	621,906
- Grant - DFFH Workforce Development	18,083	17,607
- DFFH Family Violence Crisis Brokerage	27,848	17,498
- Grant - Transition support	40,800	40,000
- Grants - Other	100,186	118,182
- Grants Non PR	24,000	8,000
- COVID Capacity Building		11,162
- DFFH Core & Cluster Funding		115,000
- DFFH - Storage	5,000	5,000
- REC 209 Alignment		15,000
- Refund		6,959
- Pets In Refuge	13,500	
- System Enablers FV	75,000	
- Grants Brought forward	149,080	104,693
- Grants Carried Forward	(675,761)	(149,080)
Client Service Fees	4,580	2,760
Covid-19 Stimulus		48,160
Donations	4,997	9,555
Profit on sale of property, plant, equip	425	
Totalincome	970,756	993,282



## **Income and Expenditure Statement**

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Expenses	\$	\$
Advertising and promotion	18,944	12,486
Audit fees	2,450	1,896
Bank Fees And Charges	303	384
Client Costs	187,611	165,121
Depreciation	13,403	33,797
Holiday pay	12,163	9,642
Long service leave	(1,209)	3,617
Portable Long Service Leave Benefits	4,529	4,226
Motor Vehicle Expenses	10,407	7,036
Meeting Expenses	1,403	829
Office Expenses	61,979	38,153
QIP Expenses	10,600	
Salaries - ordinary	474,793	427,973
Sick Leave		8,783
Staffexpenses	18,086	7,294
Sundry expenses		2,895
Superannuation	44,817	38,024
Workcover	6,319	7,277
Total expenses	866,599	769,432
Surplus from ordinary activities before income tax	104,157	223,850
Income tax revenue relating to ordinary activities		
Net surplus attributable to the association	104,157	223,850
Total changes in equity of the association	104,157	223,850
Opening retained earnings	361,379	137,529
Net surplus attributable to the association	104,157	223,850
Closing retained earnings	465,536	361,379



## **Statement of Financial Position**

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	Note	2022	2021
		\$	\$
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash assets	2	818,891	658,889
Receivables	$\frac{2}{3}$	8,930	
Other	<u>4</u> _	504,345	4,385
Total Current Assets	_	1,332,167	663,274
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	<u>5</u>	37,343	50,745
Total Non-Current Assets	_	37,343	50,745
Total Assets	_	1,369,509	714,020
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Payables	<u>6</u>	21,922	22,093
Current tax liabilities	6 7 8 9	41,820	28,020
Provisions	<u>8</u>	138,304	126,142
Other	9	675,761	149,080
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	_	877,807	325,335
Non-Current Liabilities			
Provisions	<u>8</u>	26,165	27,306
Total Non-Current Liabilities		26,165	27,306
Total Liabilities	_	903,973	352,641
Net Assets	_	465,536	361,379
Members' Funds			
Retained earnings	_	465,536	361,379
Total Members' Funds	_	465,536	361,379

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements,



## **Statement of Cash Flows** For the year ended 30 June 2022

S		2022	2021
Receipts from customers & funders         961,338         992,567           Payments to Suppliers and employees         (301,864)         (647,003)           Interestreceived         64         715           Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities (note 2)         659,537         346,279           Cash Flow From Financing Activities         (18,759)           Repayment of Lease Liabilities         (18,759)           Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities         (18,759)           Cash Flow From Investing Activities         40           Payment for:         (500,000)           Other Assets         40           Payments for property, plant and equipment         (500,000)           Proceeds from disposal of:         (500,000)           Proceeds from sale of property         425           Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities         (499,535)           Net increase (decrease) in cash held         160,002         327,520           Cash at the beginning of the year         658,889         331,369		\$	\$
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Cash Flow From Investing Activities  Payment for:  OtherAssets 40  Payments for property, plant and equipment Transfer into Term Deposits (500,000)  Proceeds from disposal of:  Proceeds from sale of property 425  Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities (499,535)  Net increase (decrease) in cash held 160,002 327,520  Cash at the beginning of the year 658,889 331,369	Repayment of Lease Liabilities		(18,759)
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Net increase (decrease) in cash held         160,002         327,520           Cash at the beginning of the year         658,889         331,369	Proceeds from sale of property	425	
Cash at the beginning of the year 658,889 331,369	Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(499,535)	
	Net increase (decrease) in cash held	160,002	327,520
Cash at the end of the year (note 1) 818,891 658,889	Cash at the beginning of the year	658,889	331,369
	Cash at the end of the year (note 1)	818,891	658,889



## **Statement of Cash Flows**

For the year ended 30 June 2022

Changes in assets and liabilities:

Increase (decrease) in other creditors

(Increase) decrease in trade and term debtors

Increase (decrease) in employee entitlements

Net cash provided by operating activities

Increase (decrease) in sundry provisions

	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:			
Cash At Bank - Operating Account	4,558	10,378	
Cash at Bank - Online Saver	757,948	596,546	
Cash at Bank - Donation Account	54,481	49,484	
Debit Account	1,504	2,082	
Petty Cash	400	400	
	818,891	658,889	
Note 2. Reconciliation Of Net Cash Provide To Net Surplus	d By/Used In Operatin	g Activities	
Operating surplus (loss) after tax	104,157	223,850	
Depreciation	13,403	33,797	
(Profit) / Loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	(425)		

(8,930)

526,510

11,022

13,800

659,537

55,657 22,042

10,933

346,279



For the year ended 30 June 2022

## Note1: 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) Accounts Receivables and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

#### (b) Property, Plant and Equipment (PPE)

Leasehold improvements and office equipment are carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all PPE is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.



#### (c) Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the entity reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

#### (d) 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.

#### (e) 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.

#### (f) 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.

#### 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

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).



#### (g) Leases

#### The association as lessee

At inception of a contract, the association assesses if the contract contains or is a lease. If there is a lease present, a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability is recognised by the association where the association is a lessee. However, all contracts that are classified as short-term leases (lease with remaining lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets are recognised as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Initially the lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments still to be paid at commencement date. The lease payments are discounted at the interest rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, the association uses the incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are as follows:

- fixed lease payments less any lease incentives
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate, initially measured using the index or rate at the commencement date
- the amount expected to be payable by the lessee under residual value guarantees
- the exercise price of purchase options, if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise the options
- lease payments under extension options if lessee is reasonably certain to exercise the options and
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the exercise of an option to terminate the lease.

The right-of-use assets comprise the initial measurement of the corresponding lease liability as mentioned above, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date as well as any initial direct costs. The subsequent measurement of the right-of-use assets is at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated over the lease term or useful life of the underlying asset whichever is the shortest. Where a lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the association anticipates exercising a purchase option, the specific asset is depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset.

#### Concessionary Leases

For leases that have significantly below-market terms and conditions principally to enable the association to further its objectives (commonly known as peppercorn/concessionary leases), the association has adopted the temporary relief under AASB 2018-8 and measures the right of use assets at cost on initial recognition.

#### (h) 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.



### (i) 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.

#### (j) 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.



	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Note 2: Cash assets		
Bank accounts:		
- Cash At Bank - Operating Account	4,558	10,378
- Cash at Bank - Online Saver	757,948	596,546
- Cash at Bank - Donation Account	54,481	49,484
- Debit Account	1,504	2,082
Other cash items:		
- Petty Cash	400	400
	818,891	658,889
Note 3: Other Assests		
Note 3: Receivables		
Current		
Trade debtors	8,930	
	8,930	
	0,700	
Note 4: Other Assests		
Current		
Short term deposits	500,000	
Other	4,345	4,385
	504,345	4,385



	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Note 5: Property, Plant and		
Equipment		
Leasehold improvements:		
- At cost	36,189	57,180
- Less: Accumulated depreciation	(27,849)	(42,910)
	8,340	14,270
Motorvehicles:		
- At cost	59,784	59,784
- Less: Accumulated depreciation	(30,782)	(23,309)
	29,002	36,475
	37,343	50,745
	37,343	50,745
Note 6: Payables		
Unsecured:		
- Other creditors	21,922	22,093
	21,922	22,093
	21,922	22,093
Note 7: Tax Liabilities		
Current		
GST payable	49,653	34,630
Input tax credit	(7,833)	(6,610)
	41,820	28,020



	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Note 8: Provisions		
Current		
Employee entitlements*	138,304	126,142
	138,304	126,142
None Current		
Employee entitlements*	26,165	27,306
	26,165	27,306
*Aggregate employee entitlements liability	164,470	153,448
There were 6 employees at the end of the year		
Note 9: Other Liabilities		
Current		
Contract Liabilities (Grants and Income In		
Advance)	675,761	149,080
	675,761	149,080



## 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:

- Presents fairly the financial position of Women's Liberation Halfway House Inc as at 30 June 2022 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
- 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:

Deb Bryant
Deborah Bryant
Secretary

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Manisha Soosaipillai Treasurer

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# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Women's Liberation Halfway House Inc (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 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 committee either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.



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# Independent Auditor's Report to the Members

Auditor's Responsabilities 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: 20TH OCTOBER 2022

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