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## ANNUAL REPORT 2017 - 2018





Every Wednesday at Wingate at 4.00pm the Huddles hop on sports program is run. Since starting this program it has been a great benefit to the family on the estate especially a wonderful afternoon activity for the children.

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## STAFFING

#### Centre Management & Administration Staff

General ManagerJan TOperations ManagerMarkEducation ManagerLisa OFurther Education &<br/>Compliance ManagerTracyCommunity Development ManagerKellyChildcare ManagerKelligChildcare CoordinatorMarkCommunity Programs &<br/>ACFE CoordinatorGeorgCommunity Employment ConsultantClaraReceptionistStephAMEP & SEE administrationEmmSkills First & SEE administrationRita O

Jan Thorpe Mark Orrill Lisa O'Farrell Tracy McIver Kelly Harding Kellie Harris Marlene Lia Georgia Jacobs Clara De Freitas Stephanie Desmond Emma Webb

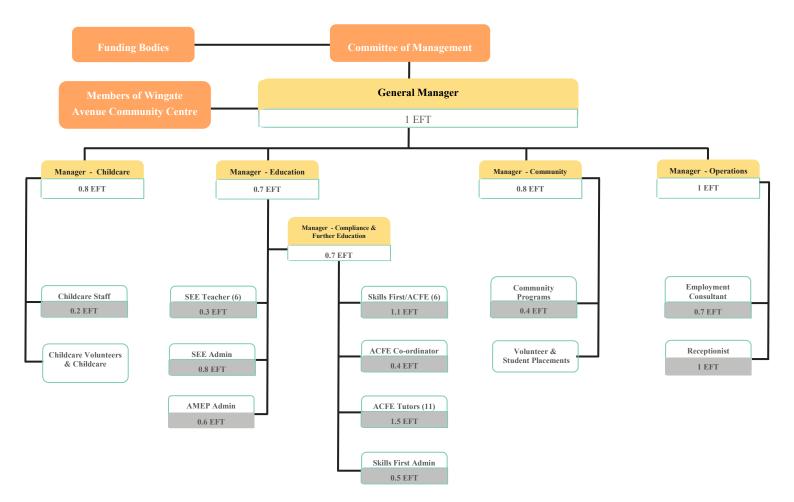
#### Teaching, Childcare & Cleaning

Jenny Barnes Wendy Bertrem Maria Chalet Alison Eaton Dorothy Churchward Eileen Hanrahan Rachael Ho Susan Hunt Christina Kingston Jane Knaggs Fiona Koetsier Elizabeth Mc Cue **Rita Murphy** Anne Groom Silvana Plastina **Beth Rowse** Hannah Schedlich Contractors Louise Cindric John Couper Caitlin Buckley

Evangelia Zicas-Green Anne Bleeser Cindy Bohan Emma Eterovic Merryn Lowe Nyankiir Deng Faduma Husein Rosa Pace Sema Piyaratna Amina Sheikh Abdi Emma McCann Merrilyn Webb Kim Edwards Karen Bushell Mark Brewer Jeff Thorpe

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

## **Organisational Chart**



## VISION

"A vibrant, innovative and diverse community where individuals have the opportunity to reach their full potential"



MISSION To enable positive community wellbeing with a focus on learning and social activities, especially for people who are experiencing disadvantage.

## VALUES



## **Strategic Goals & Measures**

GOALS	MEASURES
We will enable individuals and community members to achieve their education and employment goals	Manage the contract renewal for SEE, AMEP and Skills First Grow existing skilled volunteer program
We will support individuals and the community to reach their full potential	Establish partnerships to provide social work services at Wingate Implement needs assessment action plan
We will identify and manage sustainable sources of funding to allow for long term growth and sustainability of the organisation	Medium term funding strategy A long term funding development plan for capital works
We will continue to provide strong and transparent governance in the conduct of Wingate business	Business case and major grants process Develop succession planning for GM and CoM
We will deliver Wingate's mission by providing a safe place for our people to work	Review safety Increase engagement with staff Provide support through health and wellbeing
We will identify, monitor and manage our risk	Mitigate risk by regular monitoring Continuous Improvement Plan for AQTF, DHHS, AMEP, Skills First and SEE programs
We will review existing space and explore opportunities for new physical space	Seek professional advice for design/layout Develop feasibility study to enable priority works as funds become available

In the last 33 years the Ascot Vale community has changed enormously.

For the Wingate Avenue Community Centre (WACC), it has been vital that we have been able to change and adapt along with the community to enable us to continue to provide relevant and valuable services.

One of the changes we have experienced is the growing inequality between the Ascot Vale Public Housing estate tenants and the surrounding private housing residents.

In terms of income levels and access to employment, the gap is growing.

WACC staff and volunteers have responded to that challenge and it is a real credit to them, and a demonstration of the valuable role that community centres can play.

Our response to this growing inequality begins at a very practical level. Many in our community do not have the means to buy enough food for their families. This reflects a nation-wide decline in food security among low-income Australians.

WACC addresses this issue by supporting a Monday night bread distribution sponsored by the local Bakers Delight and a weekly food distribution picked up by WACC staff and volunteers from Foodbank Victoria. The weekly food distribution provides fresh fruit, vegetables and staples to help those in need.

Throughout the year we also conduct a "farmers market" in conjunction with Foodbank. A huge truck full of fresh fruit and vegetables, as well as dairy, parks at WACC and an army of volunteers helps distribute the food to those in need.

For those who have never seen it, I encourage you to get along and volunteer, or just to witness. It really is an incredible event where WACC delivers real assistance to over 250 families.

At the same time, WACC recognises that it is just as important to bridge the gap in training and employment outcomes.

As a leader in community based training, we are committed to providing Ascot Vale residents with the tools that they need to be able to compete in the job market.

This may involve help with English language skills or other training. And our #WorkNOW program is delivering results in connecting people with employment opportunities.



I want to congratulate all of our staff and volunteers for the work that they do to combat inequality in our community.

Community building has continued to be a large part of our work and some of the highlights include the Teddy Bear's Picnic in March and our participation in the North Melbourne Football Club's Huddle program for kids.

The past year has also been a sad one. Our former Committee member Del King passed away in early 2018. Del was a tireless community worker and she will be sadly missed. We wish to convey our sympathies to Del's partner Sean, son AJ and daughter Milla.



## **Committee Of Management**

The Committee aims to be representative of the local community and to be composed of members who have demonstrated the ability to contribute positively to the operations of the organisation. Furthermore, the Committee aims to maintain a membership with a balance of expertise in all areas of operation of the organisation, together with a commitment to the philosophy and code of ethics of Wingate Avenue.



Raoul Wainwright Chairperson



**Sue Midlolo** General Member



Ashley Hunt Vice Chairperson



Charlotte Newbold Co-Opted Member



Jenny Nolan Treasurer



Joel Grant Co-Opted Member



Sandra Dennis Secretary



Nicole Marshall MVCC Representative



Isabella Rosinsky General Member



Jim Cusack MVCC Representative

2017-2018 was a busy year for staff, at Wingate Avenue Community Centre as it continues to provide quality community programs and classes and activities in accredited and pre-accredited training options. The areas of education include AMEP, ACFE, SEE, Skills First, JVEN, Jobs bank, as well as our onsite childcare, foodbank and social and recreation programs.

As a Registered Training Organisation, Wingate has continued to grow over the past year with the continuation of Jobs Victoria Employment Network (JVEN) and Jobs Bank, placing 60 disadvantaged clients into paid work as well as a sustained work experience program. We also continued to provide our capacity building with a new CAIF 9 grant 'Basic Literacy at your fingertips' which increased low literacy learner engagement, by providing basic literacy concepts and technology to students who face socio-economic disadvantage.

#### **Partnerships and Strategic Direction**

Wingate continued to develop crucial partnerships over the past year which enabled us to increase our capacity to embrace sustainability across youth, children's, seniors, food and women's programs. We thank the Huddle, co-health, Moonee Valley City Council and Foodbank for their continued support. Wingate is fortunate to be part of several networks which include INC (Inner North cluster) that supports and improves the efficiencies of everyday operations of six-member organisations.

The 2016-2019 Strategic plan continues to progress well by both Committee and staff noting advancement on most items. With almost 50 staff a purpose built space for a lunch room continues to be an ongoing issue.

#### Ascot Vale Redevelopment – Stage 1 Dunlop Avenue

Wingate continues to support members of the local community and DHHS with community engagement and dissemination of up to date information about the progress of the in their transition to temporary premises whilst the development takes place. Wingate is often the community's voice in advocating for 2 and 3 bedroom units, looking out for families that have their children at local schools as well as the distribution of information that will assist them in their smooth transition to temporary accommodation. This is going to be a large project spanning 10-15 years.

#### Thanks to the Committee of Management and Staff

The Committee of Governance continues to attract local members of the community and give generously of their time and expertise in order to support my role as General Manager. We welcomed Joel and Charlotte as new members and I would like to acknowledge the contribution of out outgoing Chairperson Raoul Wainwright. In my role I am significantly supported in my daily work by an excellent team of dedicated staff and contractor team of 50. The many successes of the centre are due in no small part to their tireless work and their support of Wingate values. I would also like to thank all the staff and my fellow team managers –Lisa, Mark, Kelly, Tracy, Kellie and Elizabeth McCue and at the same time thank Lisa and Mark for their contribution to the centre in the time that they were here. We miss them both but wish them well in the new roles. Finally I would like to acknowledge and thank all the users, students and volunteers for their continued support to make Wingate a vibrant centre and a great place to work.

#### Acknowledgement and Appreciation

I would sincerely like to thank the following people who greatly contributed to the success of Wingate over the past year.

Danny Pearson – State member for Essendon

Rochelle Beatty – Melbourne Polytechnic

Adam Bandt – Federal Member for Melbourne

Jim Cusack and Nicole Marshall – Moonee Valley City Council Yossi Goldfarb - Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources

Lynette Linton – DHHS

Alex Thomas – AMES

Georgie Allen – Foodbank Victoria

Chris Scott - Foodbank Victoria

## **Key Achievements**

#### Enabled individuals and community members to achieve their education and employment goals

- Provided additional classes in Essendon and Union Rd to accommodate increased students in the AMEP program
- 10% of learners placed into work experience
- Placed 60 clients into paid employment
- Provided new Job seeking skills classes
- Increased AMEP students by 100%
- Won community training provider of the year

#### Supported individuals and the community to reach their full potential

- Partnered to develop new children's, women's, seniors, after school and school holiday programs at the Community Shed.
- Utilised available space to maintain 95% capacity of centre usage
- Continued to provide high quality childcare with over 95% full capacity ensuring flexibility with those living on the estate
- Supported and advocated for residents affected by the relocating of stage 1 at Dunlop Ave
- Provided a much needed food program to meet the needs of food insecurity on the estate

#### Identified and managed sustainable sources of funding to allow for long term growth and sustainability

Secured new funding of \$ 237,900 to ensure the strategic goals of Wingate are met

- a) Employment
- b) New Jobs Bank funding for training of long term unemployed
- c) Vietnamese Seniors Grant
- d) Increased Social and Recreation Programs

Continued to provide strong and transparent governance in the conduct of Wingate Business

- Developed new childcare policies to meet new child safe legislation
- Delivered KPI's set out in the 2016-2019 Strategic Plan
- Presented to parliamentary enquiry in relation to the Ascot Vale redevelopment
- Monitored Wingate's governance calendar to ensure all compliance aspects were met

#### Delivered Wingate's mission by providing a safe place for our people to work

- Completed regular OH&S audits
- Implemented an EAP program for all staff to access

#### Identified, monitored and managed our risk

- Committee and staff monitored risk and completed self-assessments bi monthly
- Conducted six monthly staff and tenant surveys
- Improved communication across all areas of the centre

#### We will review existing space and explore opportunities for new physical space

• This area has been put on hold due to the redevelopment of the housing estate

## Local, State & Federal Support

## Local

*"Celebrating over thirty years of partnership with Moonee Valley City Council, elected Councillors and civic staff"* 

## State

Thank you to our Premier Daniel Andrews and our local MP Danny Pearson for their continued support and advocacy for Wingate Avenue and the local community.



Wingate had a visit from the Minister of Education Gayle Tierney after we received the 2017 Victorian Training Award.

## Federal

Wingate received the Stronger Communities Grant which we used to put in a wall in at our union road hub which helped create a bigger classroom space to allow more student enrolments.



# What's yet to come in 2018-2019

**Deloittes Impact Day** 

## Volunteer end of year Tropicana Celebration

## More employment programs

## More children's activities

## Introduction to the 'Together We Stand' Project

## **Victorian Training Awards** *Community Training Provider of the Year Award*



WINNER Community Training Provider of the Year Award www.education.vic.gov.au/vta

Our biggest achievement and proudest moment for the year was winning the Community Training Provider of the year award in 2017. This was an accomplishment that everyone at Wingate contributed to: the Committee, Staff, Teachers and Volunteers. Big thanks and congratulations to everyone for their support to make Wingate such a great place!!

### Wingate's guiding principles are:

We work with and support the communities we live in;

We work with people to ensure shared and agreed outcomes help make a difference;

We take time to work collaboratively with key stakeholders to provide a continuity of services;

We seek to work more closely with Cultural and Linguistic Diverse People to ensure our services are relevant and respectful;

We seek to understand and respect the needs of our Funding Bodies; We work as a team to ensure our services reflect our values and commitment;

We listen to your comments and feedback and respond accordingly.



Attending the Award ceremony with us was Lisa O'Farrell, Tracy McIver, Beth Rowse, Lia Zicas-Green, Jan Thorpe, Kelly Harding, Mark Orrill and Raoul Wainwright..

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## **Employment Programs** *Clara De Freitas — Community Employment Consultant*

In January 2017, Wingate together with Kensington Neighbourhood House and the Maribyrnong & Moonee Valley Local Learning & Employment Network (MMVLLEN) commenced the #WorkNOW program. The program, funded through the Department of Economic Development, Jobs Transport and Resources is a significant achievement for the community centre and has provided local residents with much needed employment support. As part of the support the employment consultant provides resume writing, career plans and pre and post-employment support.

In the past 18 months we have achieved fantastic outcomes for the local community by placing over 60 clients into Employment. Clara De Freitas our Employment Consultant together with our project partners have built strong relationships with many new businesses who have provided an ongoing commitment to supporting long term unemployed residents.

## #WORKDOW

Employment Support For Our Local Community





## SUCCESS STORY

Wesene Obese is 39 years of age a parent of two children, and is a Refugee from Ethiopia who arrived in Australia 2005. She is Culturally and Linguistically Diverse, living on a Low income in Social Housing and has been unemployed for more than 12 months.

Wesene registered with Jobs Victoria on 29th March 2018 and the Employment Consultant created a new resume and assisted her to complete an online application including cover letter/s for a cleaning role. She was then referred to Fitted for work who gave her several outfits for work and makeup, shoes and handbag and nail polish to equip her for an interview. She was then given interview practise skills and finally landed a role with Quayclean and the job has changed her life. She continues to be offered post placement support in the role.

#### JVEN includes services that:

- assist jobseekers to gain employment
- actively engage with employers to identify job opportunities
- offer flexible services designed to meet the needs of jobseekers
- link to community support services to meet the needs of jobseekers and maximise employment outcomes
- provide services that address gaps in and complement existing services, including Commonwealth services.

The #Work NOW employment program has been operating for nearly two years now and together with our project partners (Kensington Neighbourhood House), we have been able to achieve some amazing employment outcomes.

We would not have been able to achieve these results without the ongoing support from the Department of Economic Development Jobs, Transport and Resources (DEDJTR) and a number of key local businesses including, Hyatt Place, Bunnings and Moonee Valley City Council. In addition we have forged strong relationships with key agencies including the Australian Retail Association and Fitted for work.

The #Work NOW program is so much more than employment and the one on one support that participants receive under the Jobs Victoria Framework makes this program unique.

The Program offers a suite of flexible services to meet individual needs and by utilising our strong network of support agencies we assist participants address any additional barriers by providing non vocational assistance when required.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our project partners, DEDJTR for their ongoing support and all of the business that have committed to supporting local jobseekers. Together we can achieve excellent employment outcomes for the local community.

### 60+ Employment Outcomes

50+ local employers committed to supporting job seekers

Support with non vocational and vocational barriers

## Career support and guidance



#### Wingate's Accredited English Programs - SEE, AMEP and Skills First

Wingate currently delivers Certificates in Spoken and Written English to all students. Due to changes in the reporting requirements for the AMEP and SEE programs Wingate has been planning to deliver Certificate in EAL Frameworks. Wingate has purchased the resources for delivery and has placed the 3 levels of Certificates in EAL on Scope. Elizabeth McCue and Maria Chalet have driven the development of the EAL program and supported the teachers professional development as they get to know EAL. It is planned that delivery of EAL will occur in the second half of 2018.

The current Certificates in Spoken and Written English program includes delivery of 4 levels of English language from preliminary through to Certificate III. These courses are delivered across 4 sites including The Hub at Union Road, Flemington Community Centre, Gannawarra in Keilor Road and Wingate Avenue Community Centre.

The foundation English classes are focused on the curriculum to engage students in learning. Students' progress through modules and work towards completion of the certificate level they are studying. The Skills First English classes provide a pathway for students from the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) or Skills for Education and Employment (SEE) program. In addition to studying accredited English students often do pre-accredited programs including computer classes, spelling and grammar, conversation classes or job seeking skills. This ensures students study full time and helps consolidate their learning. All students at Wingate can also participate in the #WorkNOW program which enables students in higher levels of accredited English to progress from classroom based learning to workforce participation.

Students participated in a number of initiatives in partnership with other organisation. The Cars project, delivered by Moonee Valley Legal Service, involved information sessions with groups of students that focussed on driving and car ownership including rights, responsibilities and the law. Hepatitis Victoria conducted an education and outreach clinic to our students which involved education programs about Hepatitis B, testing for students to find out their hepatitis B status and then vaccinations for those students wishing to be involved. This project was delivered over a period of 4 months and was appreciated by many of our students.

Teachers enjoy taking students on excursions including the immigration museum and The Shrine as well as local businesses. Excursions create wonderful learning opportunities and encourage students to visit places they may not generally think to go to.

All students enjoyed a festive end-of-year celebration on the Maribyrnong river. Students enjoyed boat trips up and down the river on the boat, Blackbird. The scout hall on the river was an excellent venue for students to participate in festivities while waiting for their turn to go on a boat ride. It was a lovely day enjoyed by all.



Our English classes are designed to assist students to improve their English skills for further study and employment opportunities. Class area locations include **Flemington**, **Ascot Vale** and **Essendon**.

Wingate is extremely grateful to all the teaching staff for their ongoing dedication and student support. These talented teachers include Jenny Barnes, Susan Hunt, Rachael Ho, Hannah Schedlich, Christina Kingston, Michelle Cairns, Beth Rowse, Alison Eaton, Evangelia Zicas-Green, Jane Knaggs, Maria Chalet, Rita Murphy, Dorothy Churchward, Silvana Plastina, and Wendy Bertram. We farewelled two teachers, Michelle Cairns and Alison Eaton in 2018, and wish them well and thank them for their valued contribution to Wingate for a number of years. In addition, we farewelled Education Manager, Lisa O'Farrell, who provided very much valued education and curriculum support as well as personal support for teachers. She has been missed in education program and wish her well in her future endeavours.

I would also like to thank our brilliant volunteers for their additional support in the classroom. Their contribution is integral to the programs delivery and support for our students and teachers. In addition I thank the Committee of Management, General Manager, the Management Team and Administration for their ongoing support of the education program.



## English Language Programs SEE, AMEP & SKILLS FIRST

### Skills For Education & Employment Program (SEE)



The Skills for Education and Employment (SEE) program is a Federal English program which we deliver as a subcontractor of AMES. The objective of this program is to improve student's English language, literacy and/or numeracy with the aim to enable student to participate more effectively in training and employment. The numbers in the SEE program have reduced over the past year and it is thought that this may be related to a change in government policy. Referrals from Job Actives and Centrelink are occurring at a lower rate than the Certificate courses.

Students in the SEE program study the curriculum in addition to pre-employment skills. Students are assessed against the ACSF and, like the AMEP program are required to complete progressive assessments. At Wingate SEE and AMEP students are often in the same class as the assessment process is similar.

### **Skills First**

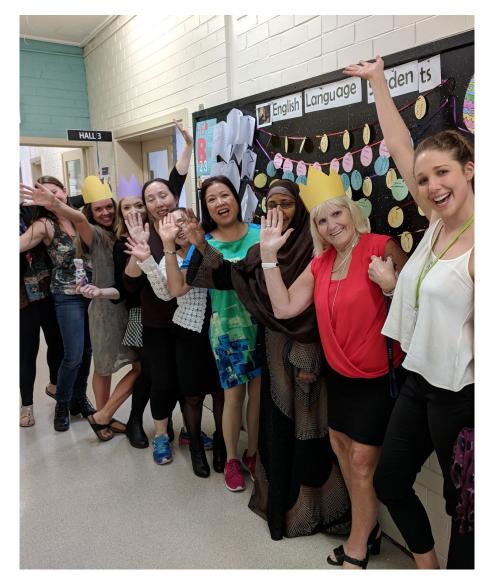
Wingate Avenue Community Centre has successfully delivered training under the Skills First contract for a number of years. This year Wingate delivered training under a 2017 Standard VET Funding Contract and then a 2018 – 2019 Standard VET Funding Contract. These contracts limit our enrolments to 500 over two years from 2018. This is consistent with the number of enrolments the Skills First program over the past couple of years. Wingate is on the Foundation Skills Approved provider list which enables us to deliver Certificates in Spoken and Written English.

In October 2017 Wingate participated in a Business Process and Transactional Compliance Audit with the 2017 Skills First Audit and Assurance Program. This audit consisted of an examination of Wingate's business and transactional processes and assessed Wingate's compliance with the 2017 Standard VET funding contract. Overall the process was positive and helped identify some minor risk findings which then provided opportunities for Wingate to adjust some processes. The student enrolment numbers for the Skills First program remain just over 100 students.

### Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP)

The Adult Migrant English Program has been delivered at Wingate for a number of years and this program continues to be a valuable addition to the English as a Second Language program. In July 2017 Wingate commenced delivery of the as a subcontractor of AMEP contract Melbourne Polytechnic. The new contract introduced a number of changes to the AMEP program including progressive assessments against the ACSF and individual pathway guidance for students. To meet their obligations against this contract teachers have attended professional development activities to keep up to date with requirements.

AMEP numbers have been higher than in previous years. As a result of some organisations no longer delivering the AMEP program Wingate had a number of students move to Wingate to continue their English studies in the program. Wingate successfully adjusted classes to enable these students to continue their studies which resulted in SEE and AMEP combined classes as well as Skills First and AMEP combined classes. As these students required assessments against the ACSF Wingate also placed EAL on Scope which was more readily mapped to the ACSF than Certificates in Spoken and Written English.



## 40 SEE STUDENTS

## 81 AMEP STUDENTS

## 94 SKILLS FRIST STUDENTS

### Adult & Community Further Education (ACFE).

We've had a great year delivering ACFE funded training programs at Wingate. We have continued to develop the guality and content of our existing ACFE courses whilst also investing in the development of some new and exciting partnerships and initiatives. Continuing courses have included; EAL classes, Business Administration, Computer Skills, Pathway to Hospitality with cohealth, Working in Hospitality and Job Seeking Skills. At Wingate, our ACFE courses are delivered with our local community in mind and we work to break down barriers to education to ensure we are supporting some of the most educationally disadvantaged learners in our community.

#### Prepare to Work- Interpreting Skills

An exciting new initiative driven by Wingate is the Wingate was successful in obtaining funding Prepare to Work – Interpreting Skills program through ACFE's CAPACITY AND INNOVATION which has been generously Department of Health and Human Services for introduction into our classes and to utilise for Public Housing residents from Horn of African Independent learning programs. language backgrounds to train to work in the field resources which were created and evaluated as of interpreting. This program is being delivered in part of the project include; basic learner tools that partnership with RMIT University, who are explore the language of computers and the for delivering the accredited Internet, responsible Interpreting Skill Set component of the course context-specific language tasks and research and whilst the ACFE component of the course covers exploratory activities for upper levels employment skills. understanding of workplace environment as well as guest speakers . from the industry. 10 very talented local community members are enrolled in the course . and are showing great motivation and potential in becoming professional interpreters in their • community. Wingate would like to thank DHHS for their generous investment in supporting . pathways to employment for the local CALD . community.



#### **CAIF** Funding

funded by FUND to create digital learning resources for Some of the Online learning programs.

the Outcomes of the project included:

- Increased low level literacy learner engagement
- Improved digital delivery of basic literacy concepts and activities
- Improved learner retention of concepts and skills
- Improved online learning strategies
- Giving access to technology to learners who face socio-economic disadvantage
- Improved and shared engagement with other learn locals with emphasis on CALD low level learners

## Calendar Of Events A Year To Remember



#### 4 October 2017 Moon Festival

In partnership with cohealth The Vietnamese and Chinese community came together to celebrate the mid-autumn festival of the lunar calendar.



#### 1 November 2017 Launch of Hop on Sports

In partnership with The Huddle Over 80 families attended the launch of our weekly sports program with the wonderful support of The Huddle.



#### 30 November 2017 Volunteer end of Year Celebration

Roll out the red carpet. Over 40 volunteers attended our special awards recognition night.



#### 25 January 2018 Vietnamese and Chinese New Year

In partnership with cohealth Families and friends gathered in the community shed to celebrate the lunar New Year.



### 8 March 2018

#### Health and Wellbeing Women's Forum

In partnership with Moonee Valley City Council and Victoria Police Women from a range of ages and cultures attended the forum to find out about the health and wellbeing initiatives and activities taking place in their local community.



#### 14 June 2018 World Elder Abuse Event Day

In partnership with cohealth Senior's attended this important event to socialise, share lunch and find out information on elder abuse.

## **Revitalising Our Community** *Kelly Harding & Georgia Jacobs*

What an exciting year it has been for Children and Family programs at Wingate! We have developed new and exciting initiatives with partner organisations and worked hard to develop a sustainable strategy which ensures ongoing program delivery for the children and families of Wingate.

Each school holidays, over the last 12 months, Wingate has come alive with local children attending our school holiday programs. We have delivered a great range of fun and memorable programs for primary school aged children including- Science demonstrations, circus workshops, theatre and magic shows, dance programs and much much more. We would like to thank Moonee Valley City Council who have supported Wingate to be able to deliver some of these wonderful sessions.

## **Teddy Bears Picnic**

Wingate received funding through the Awesome Foundation to run quarterly Teddy Bear's Picnic for parents and their children aged 0-5. We have worked closely with MVCC Maternal and Child Health nurse, Janet White as well as MVCC Libraries to design and deliver some really fun sessions. Each picnic has a different theme such as farm animals or transport and specially chosen rhymes, songs and stories are enjoyed, all of which encourage parents to actively participate and have fun engaging with their children. As well as our Teddy Bear's Picnic events, Wingate has continued to work closely with MVCC to support the delivery of the Baby Bounce program run by the Maternal and Child Health nurse with up to 30 children attending each week.



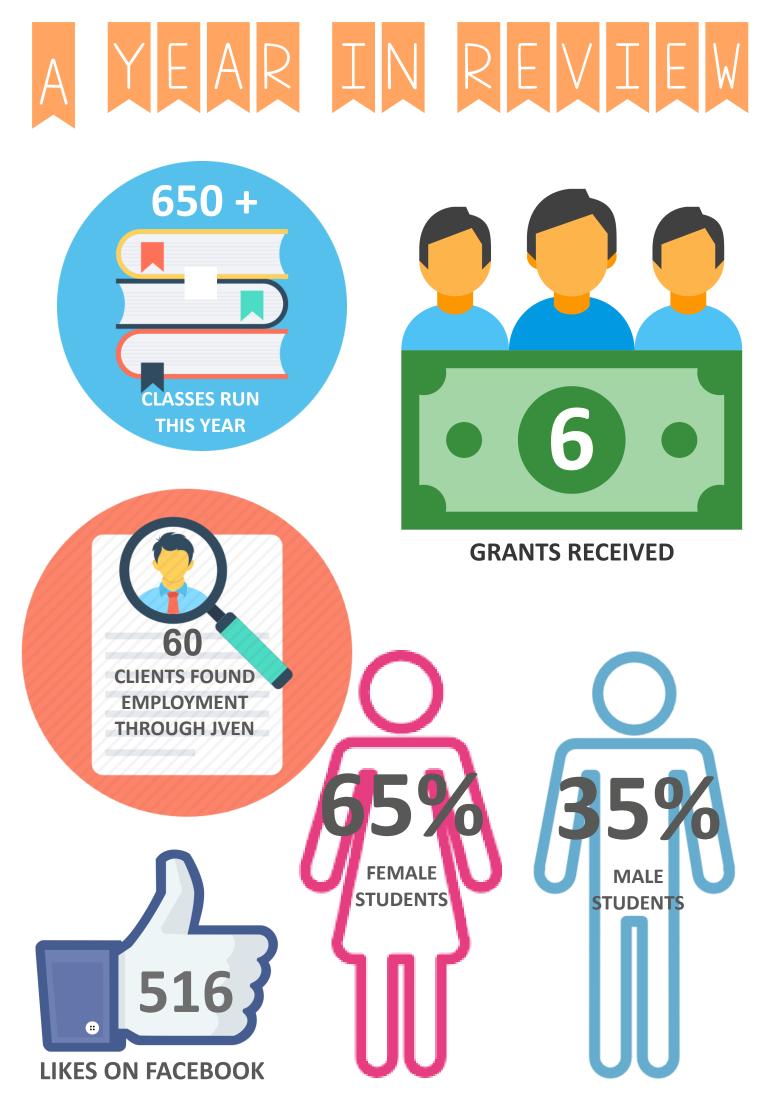
### **Parents Group**

Wingate have initiated a Parent's Reference Group to inform and develop our Children and Family programs. The group is made up of a dedicated group of parents from a range of different backgrounds committed to improving opportunities for children in the community. We see this group as best placed to help inform us of the needs facing children and parents in the community and also to provide feedback on how Wingate can better deliver our programs. Quarterly meetings involve consultation, lunch and guest speakers on topics such as childhood development and community safety. We are excited about building on the success of this group and involving more community members in the design and development of Wingate programs.

### Hop on Sport With The Huddle

In the past year we have developed an incredibly successful partnership with North Melbourne Football Club and The Huddle, which was established in 2010 as a not-for-profit initiative of the North Melbourne Football Club, the Scanlon Foundation and the Australian Multicultural Foundation. This partnership has enabled the delivery of a free weekly multi sports program for children 4-12 delivered at the Ascot Vale Public Housing estate. Up to 40 children attend on a weekly basis and have participated in a range of sports including AFL, Soccer, Hockey and Tennis. Not only has this program had such a positive impact physically and socially on the children and families involved, it has also invigorated the public spaces within the estate. Even in the middle of winter, to see the kids and families come out each Wednesday afternoon and bring life and energy to the space has been inspiring. This partnership continues to go from strength to strength with a new women's exercise program starting up (see below) as well as opportunities for children to participate in The Huddle school holiday programs. We would like to express our big thanks The Huddle for all their amazing work and investment in the Wingate community.











**50 STAFF** 

# 15 +

DIFFERENT LANGUAGES SPOKEN ON THE ESTATE

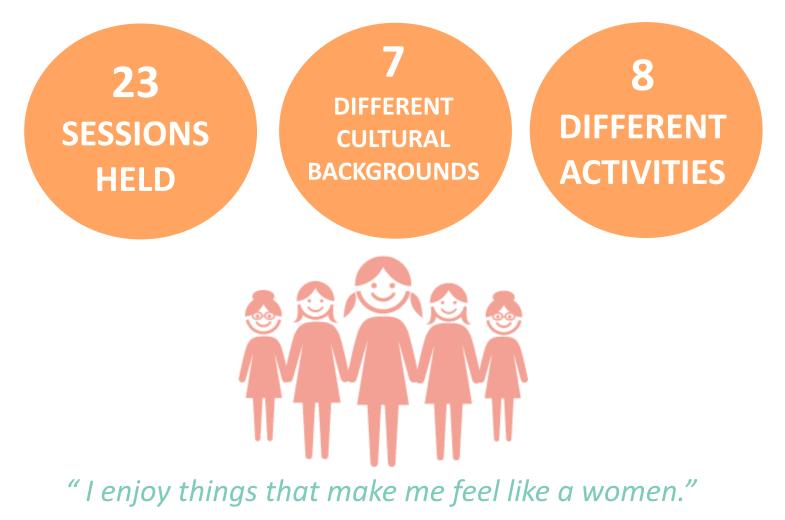
## 55 VOLUNTEERS

## **70 + FOOD DELIVERIES**



The Multicultural Women's Group continues to run on a fortnightly basis where women from a range of different cultural and religious backgrounds come together to socialise, learn new skills and gain knowledge and information in a fun and supportive environment. This year we've run a range of workshops to empower women including self-defence, women's health sessions, domestic violence awareness, as well as creative sessions such as dance, cooking and craft. We would like to thank all the organisations and individuals who have worked with the group over the year including Sarah Akamo and GRACE: West Melbourne Families Against Domestic Violence, Multicultural Centre for Women's Health, Bunnings, Stephanie Newman, Merrilyn Webb and many other fabulous supporters.

As well as the Multicultural Women's Group, Wingate has also launched a women's exercise program in partnership with The Huddle called the Women's Workout at Wingate program. This is a free weekly exercise program open to all women from the community, with approximately 12 women attending on a regular basis. Those participating always report a lot of fun and sweat. But, most importantly anecdotal evidence shows improvements in physical fitness, social interaction and mental health of those attending regularly.















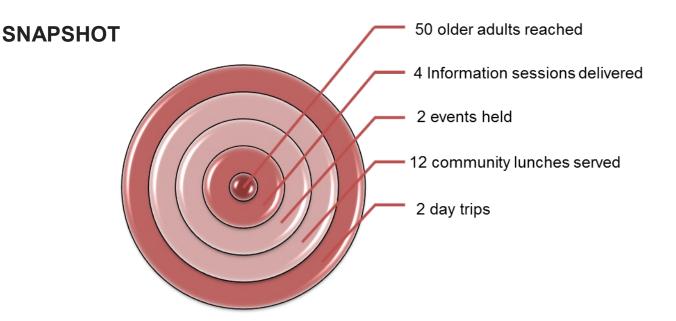




### A PROJECT ADDRESSING SOCIAL ISOLATION FOR OLDER ADULTS

Wingate Avenue Community Centre, in partnership with cohealth, delivered 'Wingate Stronger Connections', a project addressing social isolation for the Vietnamese and Chinese older adults living across the Ascot Vale and Flemington Public Housing estates. The partnership model utilised the skill sets of our organisations to deliver a culturally appropriate program. The program involved best practice community engagement strategies, community lunches incorporating information sessions with an older adult focus, day trips and advocacy for increased services in the local area.

The need for the project was highlighted through both Wingate Avenue Community Centre and cohealth, identifying a high level of isolation affecting older people living in Ascot Vale, Flemington and North Melbourne Housing estates. Typically, older people living in public housing accommodation experience a number of complexities, related to physical and mental health, financial disadvantage, frailty related to ageing and very limited or no family and social supports. Cultural and language barriers are also a key element in affecting service access and positive social outcomes.





#### INFORMATION SESSIONS PROVIDED

Occupational therapy service for older people

Outreach service for older people living in Ascot Vale and Flemington

Free legal service for older people and Elder abuse

#### THE FOLLOWING EVENTS WERE DELIVERED

25 January 2018 – Vietnamese New Year



14 June 2018 - World Older Abuse Day Event



Two day trips were organised, visiting Ballarat Wildlife Park and Geelong beach. A weekly outreach senior's program was established through cohealth, located at Wingate Avenue Community Centre.

## Advance Care Plan session

"I was very happy to join the senior's group because I like to meet people, to talk, smile, know more information and enjoy the good food. This seniors project has a lot of meaning to me and other seniors. I feel less lonely, love each other and love life."

### Thanh Loan Trinh

## Volunteers The heart of our community



### **ROLL OUT THE RED CARPET**

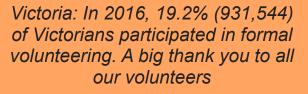
At Wingate Avenue Community Centre we love to celebrate and recognise the incredible work undertaken by our volunteers. In November last year we rolled out the red carpet with canapés and drinks to thank our volunteers. Wingate Avenue screened 'Our Volunteers' a Wingate movie production celebrating the wonderful contribution our volunteers make each and every day.

#### **OUR PARTNERS**

Wingate Avenue Community Centre continues to partner with both Victoria University and Deloitte Australia as part of their corporate impact days. Impact day volunteers completed tasks including taking recordings and creating videos for English language students, cleaning our shed and landscaping. We continue to be enormously grateful for these dynamic partnerships.

'As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself and one for helping others' - Audrey Hepburn







## **Direct Relief Food Programs** Putting Local Families First

Food security is a concern for many Victorians. Buying fresh fruit and vegetables on a low income wage can be challenging for families and individuals. Food insecurity affects people's physical, mental and social wellbeing. Foodbank's latest report states that each year, 3.6 million Australians, almost 15% of the population, are food insecure. Wingate Avenue Community Centre, in partnership with Foodbank and SecondBite, continues to provide regular food relief programs to residents living on the Ascot Vale Housing estate and surrounding areas.



*'We are reminded every week of the wonderful work Foodbank does for our community and it is certainly a valued and outstanding partnership'* 

One of our most popular calendar events throughout the year is the quarterly Farm to Families Market supported by Foodbank Victoria and held in Wingate's carpark. Across all ages, languages and cultures over 300 people come together to benefit from the fresh produce and dairy distributed on these days. Many senior's come early with their trolleys. There is a festival air as people make a cup of tea and catch up on family news and gossip. Staff and volunteers come together to coordinate these huge-ly successful days with all hands of deck.

Our smaller weekly Food Share Program is also well attended, with over 100 people accessing fresh produce. Our food relief programs include systems that are fair and equitable to everyone.

Community member's queueing stand next to people from different cultural backgrounds and religion, they mix with local residents whom they have never seen and they all respond to the same behaviour requirements. All nationalities, religions, ages stand in one small area – and they experience how a community can accept everyone.

But there is something more important that happens on food relief event days – something other than food distribution. It is these days that I remind all the staff and volunteers of the amazing work we do. It is a sight to see and leaves you feeling warm inside knowing that you have helped so many people and made their life that little better this week.

### Food is distributed in the following way:



## **Occasional Childcare**

Kellie Harris – Childcare Manager

The Occasional Childcare Centre caters for up to 19 children per session in our purposely designed playroom. Funding comes through the following bodies; DEEWR, Adult Community Further Education (ACFE), The Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) for children of students attending the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) classes.

The Centre is open during school terms and runs eight, 3 hour sessions Monday to Thursday morning and afternoon and two 5 hour session on Mondays & Fridays. We also provide a few sessions in the school holidays. The service is mostly used by parents, who attend a class in the Centre, but it is also used by families in the local and surrounding areas who need a break, attend appointments wheather its centrelink or doctors appointments, volunteer in the Centre or just for some free time.

The Occasional Childcare is open to anyone and everyone is welcomed and accepted.

Parents can utilize a maximum of 5 hours a day and up to 15 hours per week in our occasional care Centre.



The childcare team is running as strong as always; with only 6 permanent staff working inside the childcare room it is great that all the children and their families are able to build strong relationships with all staff as they see them consistently throughout the week.

#### MEET THE TEAM

**Childcare Manager** Childcare Coordinator

**Childcare Workers** 

Kellie Harris

Marlene Lia

Faduma Hussein

Rosa Pace Nyankiir Deng

Sema Piyaratna

Aiysha Ghayas & Amina Abdi as our casual relievers.

We would like to thank our hardworking certificate 3 students from 'New futures training' - Rahima, Manisha, Muna, Trhas, Jenny, Vasanthi, Maha, Amandeep, Meenu, Sonia & Uusha for their commitment while undertaking their practical placement at our centre and for assisting staff with the day to day running of the childcare room.



The last year has continued on in full swing with the Centre operating at full capacity for most sessions, with up to 19 children booked into sessions and others waiting patiently on the waiting list each week for a position to become available.

As you can imagine the childcare room has been a buzz of excitement and endless learning opportunities, the children can be heard from inside all of the offices and even from the carpark having a great time giggling & squealing.

We finished off 2017 with 150 individual enrolments; with most children attending on average 2-3 days per week



The transition to the new CCS (childcare subsidy) has begun earlier this year, this is replacing the old CCB/CCR fee reductions; these changes are more streamlined and will see families receiving greater rebates

We were fortunate enough to have Louise & Caitlin run sessions at Wingate and the Union Road Hub to set up Email addresses for families as a first step. We also had staff from Centrelink come out to visit and assist families with setting up MyGov accounts and linking them to Centrelink; all families now require MyGov to access and approve their CCS rebates.

This was a great Success and assisted numerous families with our transition, We are prepared for all the changes we will be facing including a new software provider beginning on July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

WELL DONE EVERYONE on another successful year! Thank you for your support and dedication.

## **Co-located Services** Uniting ReGen - Micare - Network West -MVCC Maternal Child Health Nurse - Moonee Valley Legal Service

## **Alcohol & Other Drug Counselling Services**

Reducing Substance Use & Reducing Harm



### Uniting ReGen

Uniting ReGen (formerly UnitingCare ReGen) has been a leading provider of free alcohol and other drug (AOD) treatment, education, and training in Victoria since 1970; and has contributed to developing evidence-based policy and practice for the AOD sector.

During the 2017-2018 financial year, two AOD counsellors worked Thursdays and Fridays at Wingate Avenue Community Centre to support forensic and community clients who resided in the Ascot Vale region, age 16 years and older. Early in 2016, ReGen was aware of a need for forensic AOD counselling within the Ascot Vale area; and so this service was started in August 2016 and has been successfully running for more than 2 years with increasing demand.

The community and forensic AOD counselling services operated at capacity throughout the period. Many participants gave positive feedback about the service, particularly the welcoming environment created by Wingate Avenue Community Centre staff; and the convenience of attending services close to their residence.

As part of counselling, clients and counsellors work collaboratively to develop an individualised treatment plan that may include reducing/ceasing substance use, reducing harm, and developing knowledge, skills, resources and supports to live a healthier and more positive life. Referrals can also be made to withdrawal, rehabilitation, and other AOD services; as well as to mental health, housing, case management, neuropsychological assessment and other specialised services.

Individuals wishing to access services to address their substance use are directed to call ReGen's intake service (1800 700 514) during business hours, Monday to Friday. ReGen services are described in more.

### Mi Care

#### Chrisoula Kanaris- Settlement Support Worker

Micare (formerly New Hope Foundation) continues to provide an outreach service from Wingate Ave Community Centre. Settlement support is offered to newly arrived refugees and migrants. The outreach posts only operates on a fortnightly basis despite the demand for the service remaining high. Issues that continue to challenge families and individuals are around affordable housing, citizenship, immigration and employment.

Public housing waiting lists are long and private rental is out of reach for most families. The citizenship process is taking longer and it is not uncommon for people to be waiting over 12 months to be allocated a time to sit the test. Attaining Australian citizenship is a very personal and meaningful goal for the people I work with. It provides them with a sense of hope about their future and a greater sense of safety. Given most of my clients have experienced trauma, loss and dislocation the importance of their citizenship and the pride they feel cannot be underestimated.

Once again Wingate Community Centre provides the inclusive, responsive environment that is so important for people who are settling into a new environment and country.

"We aim to support recently arrived refugees and family migrants in the first five years of settlement. We can provide high quality case work and community development services to help those in need through the early stages of settlement. "



### **Network West**

#### **Chairperson - Ellen Kessler**

Network West continued to deliver support to 51 Neighbourhood Houses across the Brimbank, Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong, Melbourne, Melton, Moonee Valley and Wyndham Local Government Areas throughout 2017/18. The Network has utilised the Strategic Plan to achieve meaningful outcomes for the West.

Network West has facilitated valuable orientation and innovation tours for newcomers to the sector, provided training on Identifying Family Violence, volunteer management, evaluation, and risk assessment. This training assists the sector to gain the skills and knowledge needed to successfully deliver community development initiatives.

The 2017 Network West AGM was combined with a highly successful biennial Forum where professional development, networking and best practice was shared across the sector. Each municipality in the Network West sector was represented at the Forum as well as a key stakeholders. More than 60 participants attended the Forum and rated the workshops and AGM highly.

The new website format was launched at the 2017 AGM and has proven to be a valuable communication tool, allowing the Network to post important sector information and regular newsletters. Our social media presence has increased to engage an even wider community.

Partnerships were strengthened throughout the 2017/18 year, particularly those with regional DHHS teams and local Councils. Most importantly, this year Network West joined NHVic's state government budget campaign. The Networker met with seven local state MPs, inputted into local newspaper articles and successfully advocated to western metro region LGAs to increase funding across the Neighbourhood House Sector.

At the 2017 AGM three new Committee members were elected to the Network West Committee of Governance: Melissa Baker, Pat Rayner and Mary Francis to join Maria Hanson (Treasurer), Mark Orrill (Secretary), Helen Rodd and Ellen Kessler (Chairperson). Thank you to all Committee members who contributed to the dynamic Committee of Governance leading Network West this year and to Sandra Di Giantomasso for doing the hard yards as the Networker. A sad farewell to Mark, whose astute business sense and minute taking will be missed, as will his warmth and kindness.

Once again Wingate has provided a welcome space for our Networker to work from throughout the year. The support received from the staff at Wingate has been fantastic and appreciated. Having the Networker based within a Neighbourhood House assists with the connection for the Networker to the Sector and is invaluable.



### MVCC Maternal Child Health Nurse

Janet White - Maternal Child Health Nurse

Wingate Avenue Maternal and Child Health Service (MCHS) provides a free universal service for families and children aged from birth to 6 years. The service provides information and support for the whole family in areas including parenting, health learning and development. There is one Maternal and Child Health Nurse (MCHN) based at Wingate Community centre. The nurse works 3 days a week, currently Tuesday – Thursday.

The MCHS is funded jointly by the Victorian State Government and Moonee Valley City Council. Each child is eligible for 10 Key Age and Stage (KAS) visits. Additional appointments can be made for additional needs. There is a Government funded 24 hour MCH telephone service staffed by MCHN's to support families in between visits and outside normal working hours. The state government also provides funding for an interpreting service that is well utilised for Wingate families. MVCC provides families the extra support of New Parent Groups, a Breast-Feeding Clinic, an Immunisation service, Library story times, supported Playgroups, the MCH Enhanced Home Visiting Service (EHVS) and the Nursery Equipment Program (NEP).

Most MCHS referrals come from Maternity Hospitals. A birth notification is sent to council when the baby is born and telephone contact is initiated. Families moving into the area are welcome to self-refer. The MCHS is not compulsory but offered to all families living in the area with children aged 0-6years. All families are welcome and encouraged to attend the service. In the last financial year, Wingate MCHS received 65 new birth notifications.

The Wingate MCHS practices assertive outreach to visit families if they are unable to attend the office. Common reasons for outreach are Post Caesarean section birth and cultural confinement. Families that do not attend appointments will be followed up via a telephone call or a home visit. Baby Bounce playgroup is an early literacy program that runs in the Men's shed every week and facilitated by the MCHN this has become very popular particularly with the CALD families and two nurses are now running this programme.

The MCHS have a close relationship with Wingate Community Centre Occasional Care centre with many families attending both services. The MCHS also works closely with services that provide extra support to families in need. These include MVCC Family Services, Child First Moonee Valley Legal Service and Family Violence support organisations. The EHVS sees a significant number of families living on the Wingate housing estate providing these families with support for early parenting issues.



### Moonee Valley Legal Service (MVLS)

Jacki Holland—Manager

#### Moonee Valley Legal Service

It has been another full and busy twelve months for Moonee Valley Legal Service during which we have continued to thrive and grow.

We continue to offer advice and casework across a broad spectrum of legal issues encompassing family law, family violence, tenancy, civil law and criminal matters, and to engage in strategic law reform activities. We have maintained a strong focus on accessibility, providing services from multiple venues across the Moonee Valley area to ensure the most vulnerable members of the community have ready access to legal assistance. Beyond our office in Ascot Vale, we offer services in Flemington, have extended our outreach at Avondale Heights, and now also provide outreach in Niddrie. Throughout the year we have worked to increase our monitoring and evaluation capabilities to better understand our service impacts for individuals and the community.

#### Volunteers, partners and supporters - we thank you

The services MVLS provides to the local community would not be possible without the valuable support of our partners, supporters and volunteers. The team at MVLS is extremely grateful for the ongoing contributions and support of all those involved.

#### **Community Legal Education**

In the interests of increasing awareness and understanding of the law and helping people to recognise and resolve their legal problems early, MVLS delivered a great number of community legal education projects throughout 2017-18. Our innovative CLE tool, <u>www.finefixer.org.au</u>, continues to help Victorians understand and resolve their fines. We worked closely with young people from the Flemington area on youth specific legal issues. Our Cars and Residents Project (CARs) provided Information to adult students and community members in relation to the legal and financial issues that can cause hardship and which are associated with car ownership. Via the project we produced a set of publicly available community legal education modules for culturally and linguistically diverse community members and a series of infographics in community languages.

#### Partners and Projects

Collaboration and partnerships continue to be of central importance to our service. During the past year we entered into agreements to continue our relationship with Flemington Kensington Community Legal Centre in delivery of the Safe From Harm project and our partnership with the Family Relationships Centre. We explored collaboration opportunities with local community legal centres and commenced a new health-justice partnership to increase the efficiency of fine revocation applications for vulnerable Victorians with special circumstances. We continued our tenancy clinic in partnership with Gadens, also employing a project lawyer to expand provision of tenancy related legal advice and assistance to public housing residents.

Our integrated relationship with Wingate Avenue Community Centre remains a most important and valuable asset - our cooperative approach to local issues, shared commitment to the community and joint work on a variety of projects provides significant benefit to local residents. We look forward to further strengthening this relationship into the future.



## **Treasurers** Report

Total revenue for the year was \$2,002,568 million, an increase of \$244,420 from the previous year. The surplus for the year was \$142,701 an increase of \$133,186 from the previous year. This surplus was due to an increase in delivery in the AMEP program.

We would like to thank the following **funding bodies** for their continued financial support:

#### Local government

Moonee Valley City Council - Community Partnership Grant

#### State government

- Department of Health and Human Services Neighbourhood House Co-ordination Program,
- Department of Education —Adult Community Further Education and CAIF Grant
- Department of Education and Early Childhood Development Fee Subsidies, Skills Victoria -Skills First
- Department of Economic Development Jobs and Transport and Resources JVEN funding \$100,000 per annum over four years

#### Federal government

- Department of Education and Training Adult Migrant English Program
- Department of Education and Training Skills for Education and Employment Program
- Department of Education and Training CCB Childcare Rebate

#### Other Donations and Grants – Total \$84,791

- Nelson Alexander Teaching equipment
- Bendigo Bank
- Department of Premier and Cabinet CD Programs
- Department of Education and Training winner training awards
- Department of Infrastructure New wall at Union Rd Hub
- DHHS Vietnamese Seniors Grant

Thank you to all our staff and volunteers including the Committee whose hard work and dedication made this successful result possible.

- Jenny Nolan, Treasurer

#### WINGATE AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC. ABN 33 042 739 925

#### STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

		2018	2017
	Note	\$	\$
Income			
Revenue	3	2,002,568	1,758,148
Expenditure			
Advertising expenses		(9,013)	(10,195)
Auditor's remuneration	4	(3,500)	(3,300)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses		(87,582)	(94,365)
Employee benefits expenses		(1,389,987)	(1,324,800)
Lease expenses		(4,557)	(3,525)
Other expenses		(365,228)	(312,448)
	-	142,701	9,515
Profit for the year	5	142,701	9,515
Total comprehensive income for the year		142,701	9,515

#### WINGATE AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC. ABN 33 042 739 925

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	1,050,306	854,188
Trade and other receivables	7	14,519	21,820
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	-	1,064,825	876,008
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	8	390,181	447,855
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	-	390,181	447,855
TOTAL ASSETS	-	1,455,006	1,323,863
LIABILITIES CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	9	268,271	261,409
Provisions	10	87,267	88,707
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	-	355,538	350,116
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provisions	10	65,148	82,128
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	-	65,148	82,128
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-	420,686	432,244
NET ASSETS	-	1,034,320	891,619
EQUITY			
Retained earnings	11	1,034,320	891,619
TOTAL EQUITY	-	1,034,320	891,619
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#### WINGATE AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC. ABN 33 042 739 925

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

		2018	2017
		\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from customers		1,987,705	1,844,538
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,777,111)	(1,609,268)
Interest received		15,432	9,779
Net cash provided by operating activities		226,026	245,049
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for plant and equipment		(29,908)	(34,337)
Net cash used in investing activities		(29,908)	(34,337)
Net increase in cash held		196.118	210,712
Cash at beginning of financial year		854,188	643,476
Cash at end of financial year	6	1,050,306	854,188

#### WINGATE AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC. ABN 33 042 739 925

#### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

	2018	2017
·	\$	\$
REVENUE		
Grants Received	1,807,601	1,585,819
Sundry Income	3,736	2,372
Hire	28,809	58,622
Expense Reimbursement	-	1,504
Fees Received	62,199	37,420
	1,902,345	1,685,743
OTHER REVENUE		.,,.
Interest Received	15,432	9,779
Donations Received	84,791	62,626
	100,223	72,405
	2,002,568	1,758,148
EXPENDITIOE		1,700,140
EXPENDITURE Advertising	9,013	10 104
Auditor's Remuneration		10,195 3,300
Bank Charges	3,500 527	5,300
Cleaning	3,369	2,950
Consultancy Fees	40,306	2,950
Depreciation	40,300 87,582	94,36
Education Resources & Activities	144,121	94,308 81,608
Insurance	2,967	5,01
Leasing Charges	4,557	3,52
Light & Power	22,116	17,262
Long Service Leave	3,019	23,45
Printing & Stationery	10,245	9,25
Rates & Taxes	6,866	9,20. 5,884
Rent	70,108	60,618
Repairs & Maintenance	11,718	11,242
Security Costs		1,649
Staff Training & Welfare	2,915	8,30
Subscriptions	7,276	
•	4,910	3,61
Sundry Expenses	15,635	26,27
Superannuation Contributions	123,058	107,82
Telephone	14,783	13,96
Tool Replacement	2,390	6,01
Wages	1,256,634	1,185,22
Workcover	12,252	10,19
	1,859,867	1,748,63
Profit before income tax	142,701	9,51

#### WINGATE AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC. ABN 33 042 739 925

#### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

	2018 \$	2017 \$
<b>Profit for the year</b> Retained earnings at the beginning of the	142,701	9,515
financial year	891,619	882,104
Retained earnings at the end of the financial year	1,034,320	891,619

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#### WINGATE AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC. ABN 33 042 739 925

#### STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The committee has determined that the association is a reporting entity and that this general purpose financial statement should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial statements as set out on pages 1 to 14:

- 1. Present fairly the financial position of Wingate Avenue Community Centre Inc. as at 30 June 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
- 2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Wingate Avenue Community Centre Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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

Chairperson:	India
Ashley Hu	1, / 1
Treasurer:	en Nola.
Jenny Nola	in X
Dated this 4 d /day	of October 2018.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WINGATE AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC. ABN 33 042 739 925

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Wingate Avenue Community Centre Inc. (the association) which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2018 and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by members of the committee.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial report of the association for the year ended 30 June 2018 is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of my report. I am independent of the association in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of 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 my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the code.

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

#### Responsibilities of Management and those Charged with Governance

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management 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 management either intends to liquidate the association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the association's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report

My 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.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WINGATE AVENUE COMMUNITY CENTRE INC. ABN 33 042 739 925

Name of Firm:	Joseph Boyar Chartered Accountant
Name of Principal:	Joseph Boyar
Address:	Caulfield South

Dated this 4th day of October 2018

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