



South Eastern Community Connect



Annual Report
2016—2017

Our Mission

Supporting the community by providing services, programmes and advocacy to eliminate barriers, enhance social inclusion and to improve quality of life.

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2016



July

Launch of the SECC Flexible Transport Scheme and drop offs to clients



August

SECC takes over the funding from FDN (Food Distribution Network) and begins negotiations to start serving FDN's clients from October



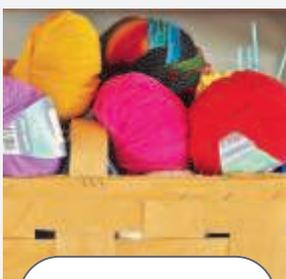
September

Our board is a team finalist in the 2016 Volunteering



October

Our supported playgroup launches its Intergenerational Playgroup with the celebration of Grandparents Day.



November

Our groups present the craft they created during the year at our annual Market Day, raising funds material for new projects in the following year.



December

Australian Aged Care Quality Agency awarded us a score of 100% in our aged care service audit.

2017



January

Our toy library now runs at extended hours to give working parents the opportunity to use the service.



February

We celebrate Seniors Week with a sausage sizzle, music and performances



March

We reach out to our wider community, through advertising in our local newspapers and door knocking with our volunteer Aaron Gray.



April

We celebrate our community with the photographic exhibition "Generations of Eastlakes".



May

Tony Zeltzer, the Mayor of Woollahra, visits the Cottage to spend a morning with staff and clients at our dementia day centre.



June

Planning begins for SECC's community mental health program for which we received a grant of \$49,002 from Bayside Council.

Report from *the Chair*

It is an honour to be Chairperson in 2017 and to report on behalf of the SECC Board of Directors.

We welcomed two new Board members, Ian Grey and Jocelyn Bell and I thank them for their expertise and contributions this year.

I am pleased to inform the members that yet again the organisation has gone from strength to strength. Under the excellent leadership of our Chief Executive Officer, Kate Melhopt and her very competent team we have been able to assist more of our community. Thanks must go to our group of volunteers whose assistance provides an integral and invaluable part of our

services.

The Food Distribution Network became part of the SECC organisation in October 2016. The transition was difficult as we were not provided with adequate information regarding the existing service. Through the diligence of our staff we were able to continue the service, however had to relocate the packing from Botany to Eastlakes as we were unable to take over the lease of their existing premises. Many thanks to Julie and her son Aaron Gray for delivering food parcels and the article in the Southern Courier highlighting the new program.

In November SECC was reapproved as an Approved Home Care Package provider and in due course staff will be recruited to provide home care services. This will enable us to extend our existing range of

aged services to provide personalised care and support in the home through such services as personal care and domestic assistance and enable us to meet the changing needs of our older population as they age and transition through our programs.

Bringing awareness to the community of the range of services we provide is a challenge, so congratulations to Carmen for the great literature that we now have to promote our programs. These brochures were so helpful during our doorknock campaign and at the stalls in Eastgardens. In May the Mayor of Woollahra visited "The Cottage", our service for dementia clients in Rushcutters Bay. The Wentworth Courier covered the visit and wrote an excellent article with photo, this has resulted in many new referrals.

SECC is on expansion, Kate is always on the lookout for new opportunities and we have expanded each year our range of programs and services. SECC submitted a proposal to open a long day care centre in Green Square. This was a huge undertaking and we await the outcome of our submission.

I would like to thank State, Federal and Local Governments for their continued support and acknowledgement of the great service we provide to our community.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express our congratulations to all SECC staff, volunteers, members and clients for a very successful 2017 and acknowledge and thank our very capable CEO, Kate Melhopt, for all her incredible efforts, commitment and compassion.

Our duty as Board Members is to ensure that the service meets all of its financial, contractual and legal commitments.

I am very pleased to report that all of these commitments have been met to the highest standard. Thank you to my fellow Board members for their contributions in 2017.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bev Martin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bev Martin, Chair

Report from

South Eastern Community Connect is in a very strong financial position.

Once again in 2017 we have returned a substantial surplus. This outcome is a direct result of the staff, Board of Directors and the strong financial controls that exist in the administration.

Congratulations to Kate Melhopt and her team, and to John Ferguson, for their expertise and their diligence.

South Eastern Community Connect has expanded geographically, as well as with the services provided. We now offer assistance to a diversity of people, covering all ages, genders, ethnicity and the localities from the Harbour to the Bay. A special thank you to our army of volunteers who

the Treasurer

without their efforts the range of services we provide would not be possible.

The year end figures show a surplus of \$157,226 which even surpasses last year. The total assets are \$1,950,540 which includes 14 vehicles and cash reserves of \$1,741,735. The liabilities amount to \$1,082,295 and include staff entitlements of \$474,862 and grants in advance of \$93,256. Retained earnings are now \$868,244 which is on the way to one million dollars – a really excellent situation.

This exceptional result is a culmination of factors including the successful application of grants and the professional manner that the grants are acquitted. South

Eastern Community Connect is moving forward in a positive and proactive manner and is flexible to the needs of the community.

Members, you can be assured that South Eastern Community Connect is more than capable of meeting any financial obligations that may arise in the foreseeable future.



Graham Hawkes

Treasurer

Report from the Chief Executive Officer



It's at this time each year with much anticipation that I review the year that has been, and as I look back I can't help but be inspired by what we have achieved, how we have grown and the connections we've made.

It has taken 18 months to feel at home in our new location and to re-establish connections that were lost with the move. Our toy library in particular experienced a massive reduction in families accessing the service, and it's only now that numbers are beginning to grow again. Community

members, who would drop in for a chat have again resurfaced as have those wanting information on our services, assistance from the JP, access to the internet or our outreach programmes. Our community is reconnecting, but with the first phase of the Eastlakes redevelopment about to commence accommodation uncertainty remains at the back of my mind as is the ongoing issue of limited availability of public facilities in which to hold our programs.

As in previous years programmes have grown and developed across all services. Our reach has extended, and we are now covering more geographical areas than ever before including the Inner West.

Within Aged and Disability two new services were introduced in 2016, flexible transport and food preparation, both have remained in

high demand since their introduction. In August 2016, SECC was awarded the funding for the Food Distribution Network (FDN); service delivery commenced in October, and since then we have been packing between 100 and 140 boxes of fresh fruit and vegetables a week. We are immensely grateful to FDN for gifting us one of their delivery trucks and for the staff and volunteers who agreed to join our team.

The year ended on a high note for the aged and disability team with us achieving a rating of 100% in our external aged care quality review and 92% from our client satisfaction survey.

The child and family team underwent a restructure at the beginning of 2017 due to the resignation of our two long term family workers and the toy Librarian in the latter part of last year. Much needed relief arrived in January with the recruitment of two new staff, and I am pleased to report that they have settled in well.

SMOOSH had another busy year across both sites with an increase in enrolments (Gardeners Road reached an unprecedented high of 75 which meant we were operating at capacity) and the finalising and implementation of the Quality Improvement Plans. SMOOSH has also been highly successful in generating its own income achieving a combined surplus of \$101,804.

Our Community Builders program has engaged in so many diverse activities, workshops and events that it would be difficult to do justice to them all. The team has connected the community through food at the 'Welcome Dinners', through dialogue, advocacy and information with Community Conversations, housing tenant meetings/forums, Centrelink Sessions, Positive Ageing Celebrations, falls prevention programs and art therapy to name a few. They have been proactive in identifying new

ways in which to work with the community, particularly those who may be marginalised due to life circumstances and have been successful in obtaining funding to address this e.g. Unity Grant (\$3,600) for “Welcome Dinners”, Social Housing Improvement Fund (\$27,143) for physical improvement projects at Florence Avenue and a Bayside Council Stronger Communities grant (\$49,002) to improve the mental wellbeing of the community.

Our brand awareness has grown through the tireless efforts of our Communications Manager; this has entailed the revamping of our newsletters and fliers, increased publicity through stories in local media publications, door knocking promotions and the Generations of Eastlakes photo exhibition which saw over 100 people exhibited through the centre

The future is never certain when we are reliant on both federal and state government for much of our funding. The end of the financial year brought some additional stability with the extension of

funding arrangements for aged services for an additional two years and funding for our children and families and community builders programs for another three years; as you can imagine emails such as this don’t arrive every day but have a huge impact on staff morale and program sustainability.

I would like to thank all those who use our services for inviting us into your lives; we like to think we honour this trust by delivering a consistently high level of service delivery. To our Board thank you for the knowledge, wisdom and the time you so generously give.

Lastly thank you to our amazing team of staff and volunteers. You are the superheroes, each possessing extraordinary talents and dedicated to achieving the best outcomes for the community. You are the heart of the organisation and I am forever grateful for all that you do.



Kate Melhopt, CEO

The Board



Bev Martin, Chair

Bev is the managing director of Crashing Water Pty Ltd, a consultancy to business, and is employed as the Events Manager for Mark Moran, Vaucluse. Her experience in NGOs spans over 25 years with management boards of Waverley Action for Youth Services, Edina Aged Care, Norman Andrews House and Bondi Youth Accommodation, Bondi and Districts Chamber of Commerce and Sydney Wyde Housing Society.



Graham Hawkes, Treasurer

Graham looks back on a long career in executive roles in the NSW State Government, bringing with him experience in corporate governance, risk management, strategic planning and performance management. As Chair, he ensures SECC operates under the guiding principle of what is best for the organization and its stakeholders. Graham has been a Board Member since 2011.



Denise Wasley

Denise is the Office Manager and Community Coordinator at the Kingsford Legal Centre. She has lived in Mascot for over 10 years and is an experienced community worker.

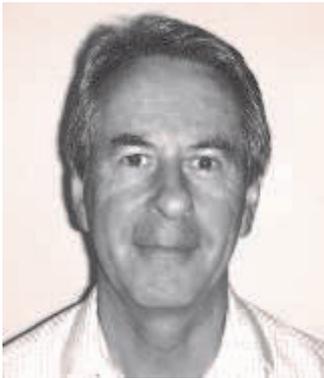
Denise has been involved in SECC as a board member, on and off, for over 7 years and has served as Secretary and Chair of the Board in the past.



Jocelyn Bell

Jocelyn joined the board in 2016. She has over 15 years experience in the not-for-profit sector, in legal, project management and business development roles, and she has also worked at senior levels in state government.

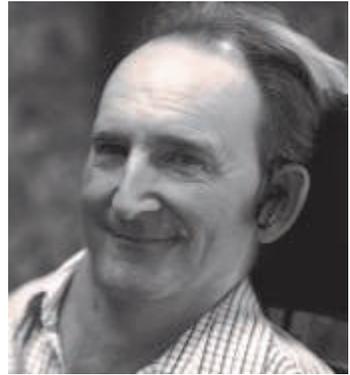
She is currently leading social impact bond transactions for Life Without Barriers. Jocelyn brings her business analysis skills to the Board of SECC.



Ian Grey

Ian has a long managerial career in human resource management at all levels of Government but also with extensive time in significant companies in the private sector.

His main skills are in culture building, organisation improvement, skill building and industrial relations. Ian joined the Board in 2016.



Greg Killeen

Greg is an active member of several community, disability and government committees and has been on our board for more than 13 years. He contributes his expertise in advocacy for an increase in funding and for different types of flexible community and disability services and programs that are client focused, person-centred and meet the needs of people with disability, their family and carers.



Staff

2016-2017

Management

- Chief Executive Officer: Kate Melhopt
- Family and Multicultural Manager: Vida Tebyani

Communications

- Communications Manager: Carmen Welss

Administration

- Centre Coordinator: Julie Gray, Blanca Londono: Cleaner
- Accountant: John Ferguson
- Information Support Officer: Jayne Lee

Aged and Disability Programs

- Community Transport and Food Services Coordinator: Lili He
Transport Workers: Duc Coung Luu, Francis Heming, Julie Faleta, Volodymyr Perederiy
- Social Support Coordinator & Flexible Respite Coordinator: Irene Trovato
Social Support Workers: Debra McDermott, Nick Belitsis, Raelene Bathis
Flexible Respite Care Workers: Angela Castillo, Beatriz Londono, Franca Scalici, Priscilla Hair, Michael Attia
- Food Services Workers: Mark Hawkins, Karen Phillips, Jodie Pauling, Tracey Pearsall, Lilian Martinez
- The Cottage Dementia Day Centre Coordinator: Amy Drewe
Cottage Support Workers: , Brett Martin, Indhira Sierra, Alan Spink. Bus Driver and Support Worker: Fernando Pazmino, Tracey Pearsall: Cleaner
- Aged and Disability Support Workers: Viviana Berasain and Sophia Chilvers

Family and Children Services

- Family and Children Services Programs Team Leader: Bronwynn Jursik,
Family Support Worker: Maryam Farjood, Lina Teran, Sebastian Woolbridge, Indhira Sierra, Eleanor Venables; Toy Librarian: Eleanor Venables
- Family Worker: Ruming Yang, Julie Katz
- SMOOSH Coordinator: Rekkha Moda, SMOOSH Workers: Kohinoor Chowdury, Mariko Nader, Mia Apostolatos, Sabina Rashid, Sebastiana Wooldridge, Zaeed Huq, Kristin Gray, Ana Vorgias and Rachel Boch,

Community Builders Programs

- Multicultural Worker: Mila Acevedo
Community Worker: Gerard Howard
- Teachers: Gladys Vasco (sewing), Marian Kernaham (English)

Volunteer Program Coordinator: Sue Ohanian

Welcome

to the team 2016-2017



Indhi Sierra joins as
Cottage Support Worker



Jayne Lee joins as our
new Information
Support Officer



Sebastiana Woolbridge
joins the Family Support
Worker Team.



Eleanor Venables joins
as Family Support
Worker & Toy Librarian



Jodie Pauling joins our
Food Services Worker



Tracey Pearsall joins our
Food Services Worker

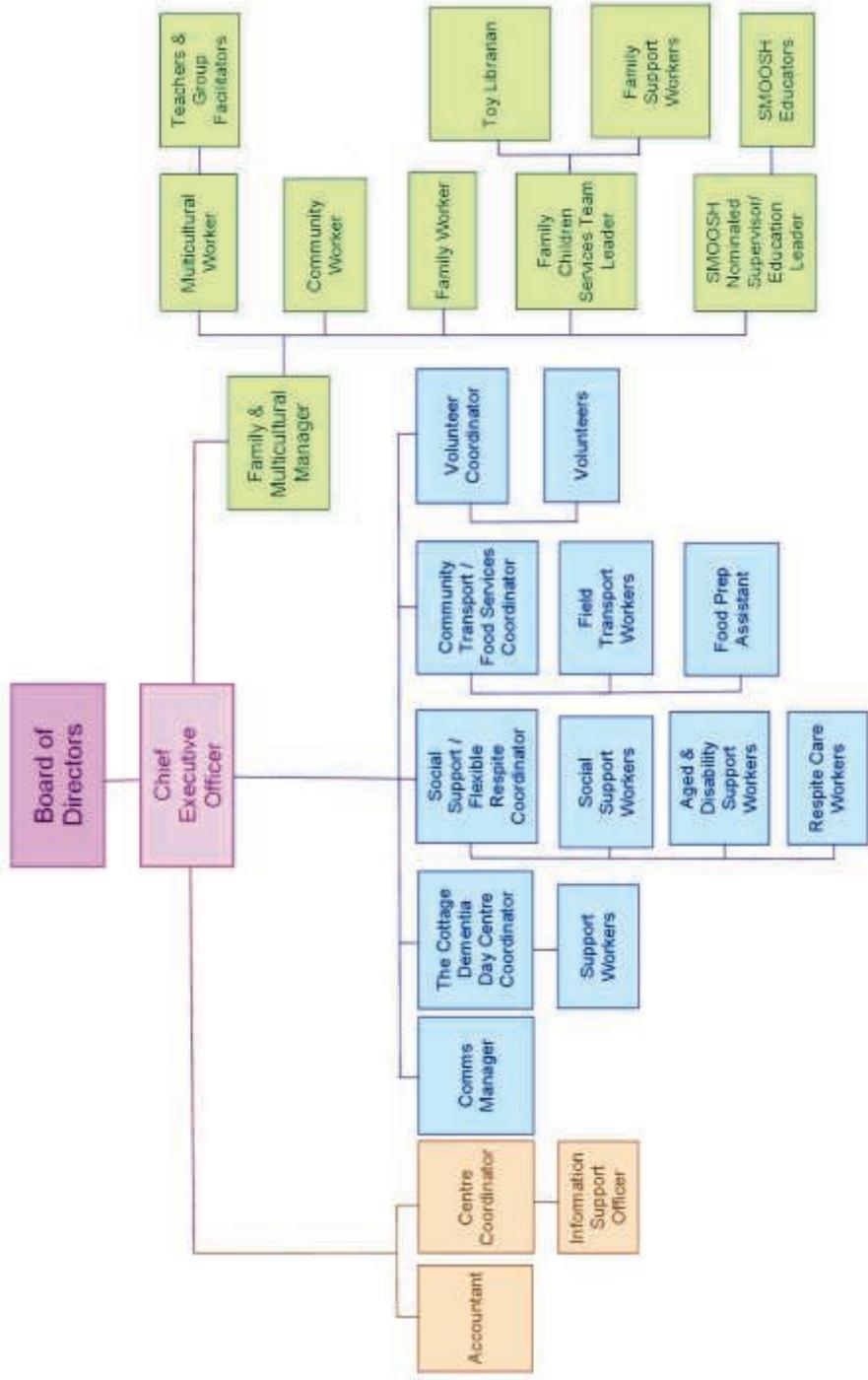


Rachel Buch joins our
SMOOSH Team



Anastasia Vorgias joins
our SMOOSH Team

SOUTH EASTERN COMMUNITY CONNECT ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE 2016 - 2017





Thank you to all our volunteers without whom our work would not be possible. Your contribution is invaluable.

Alex Zinga
Amy Lu
Anne Hollis
Asya Shmaryan
Beatriz Londono
Betty Valius
Bev Martin
Carla Ruru
Catherine Fraser
Christa Thewes
Dash Fellowes
Denise Wasley
Doming Rafael Suligoy
Donna-Faye Thomas
Douglas Campbell
Eduardo Figueroa
Fang-Yu Huang
Fanny Cerioni
Fiona O'Brien
Firoozeh Golshan
Frances Heming
Germana Del Valle

Graham Hawkes
Greg Killeen
Gregory Stevens
Hector Tapia
Helen Cruise
Helen Harris
Ian Grey
Ibragim Batyrshin
Ilda Migirdicyan
Indhira Sierra
Iris Knight
Jan Moffatt
Janet Green
Janny Van Der Struik
Jill Vincent
Jocelyn Bell
John Langdon
John Segal
Kate Jones
Kevin Chu
Klaudiya Bubis
Lilian Martinez

Linglu Guo
Lisa Toohey
Lisa Gilanyi
Maralyn Zeilic
Margaret Han
Maria Chavez
Maria Lara
Maria Rosa Casanova
Maureen Sale
Mia Ariston
Michael Taylor
Min San Song & Yun Fang Lu
Nancy Ovando
Penny Dalton
Peter Sabbouh
Priscilla Bonham-Carter
Qi Yun Zheng
Ricardo Aponte
Robyn Campbell
Rosana Delon
Samira Mittas
Selina Haefeli



Shazia Ali
 Shazia Chaudhury
 Shirin Gharagozli
 Sima Rezaei
 Sophia Chilver
 Stephanie Forbes

Sue Ohanian
 Sunny Liu
 Susana Fernandez
 Tania Nand
 Tetiana Stavyska
 Thi Mai Ho

Uzma Hameed
 Veronica Wilson
 Vicki McDowell
 Ximena Aranguiz
 Yvette Haidar
 Yuk Ling Man



CONGRATULATIONS

- Frances Heming on receiving the Maisie Foster volunteering award
- Robert Wood on receiving the ATO Tax Help Volunteer Award for 15 years of tax help with South Eastern Community Connect
- Mrs Yun Fang Lu on celebrating her 80th birthday and a decade of Tai Chi teaching before retiring in 2017.

32 new volunteers

12,827.5 hours donated by our volunteers.



AGED & DISABILITIES



Individual Support

Our client centred programs aim to support individuals in their home, providing what they need to live longer, independently at home. We pride ourselves in delivering quality care that truly enhances our clients' well-being, meeting each person's individual needs with sensitivity to

their cultural and social background.

We are proud to report that, despite persisting difficulties surrounding the My Aged Care referral system, we have been able to reach out to even more people in the community. The **hours of respite care we provided grew by 20%**, and

49

Visits to medical appointments with our Medical Companion Volunteers

More than **39,000**

kilometres driven by our six cars to support individual clients in and out of their homes through.



phone calls made to clients to check in nearly tripled.

With all this extra work delivered by our dedicated team of staff and volunteers, we are also exceptionally proud to have been awarded **a score of 100% at our in our aged care service audit** Australian Aged Care

Quality Agency at the end of 2016. It is testimony to the quality of work and attention to detail delivered by our aged care team, who are the beating heart of these programs.

4,150

hours of flexible respite care, up from 3,450.

415

Phone calls made to **check on people's** wellbeing, up from 143

143

Hours of home visits

AGED & DISABILITIES

Individual Support

Food Services

The biggest event of the year, no doubt, was the **take over from Food Distribution Network FDN**, which doubled the number of clients who receive our fruit and vegetable boxes and expanded our service area well beyond our traditional boundaries as far as the Inner West.



THANK YOU

Thank you to our dedicated volunteers who help our clients with their shopping, medical appointments or simply visit them at home to check that all is well.

We put on two new staff to help service the increased client numbers and expanding geographic areas and rented new premises to give our volunteers more room come in twice a week to pack up to 140 boxes of fresh produce each week.

With the new clients from FDN we are now operating throughout Redfern and Waterloo as far as Newtown and Erskineville, delivering almost four times the number of boxes as in the previous financial year.

We also started our **meal preparation service** which offers help for clients who struggle with cooking tasks such as lifting heavy pots or cutting up vegetables. These clients are able to have their shopping delivered to their home and also have a staff member visit them to do their meal preparation. A chat and a laugh are an added bonus.



3,275

One-on-one trips to the shops with 96 clients

876

Hours of volunteers packing fruit and vegetable boxes, up from 150.

5,401

Boxes of fruit and vegetables delivered — almost four times the number of deliveries as in the previous financial year.

AGED & DISABILITIES

Group Support & Transport

With the **kick-start of our flexible transport service** in 2016, we are now able to offer clients individual transport solutions in addition to our group transport options.

Our staff and volunteer drivers are on the road every working day of the year, using our fleet of six cars and five buses to support our clients.

Our transport includes social outings for groups of varying interests and cultural backgrounds to the shopping bus, the door to door service for our dementia day centre and now flexible transport for individual clients to attend appointments safely and on time.

After thorough planning in the

previous financial year, the new program has been very popular and we are already looking at ways to adapt the program to meet growing demand.

In December **we got a new bus, and fitted it with a hoist** to enable our mobility impaired clients to access our transport comfortably. Over the past financial year we also **improved signage on our vehicles to display our bright new logo**, which is very well received in the community and can now be seen on cars, trucks and buses across Sydney.

Our buses are also available for hire by community groups.

At Beaconsfield Community Centre the Lunch Group keeps going strong with up to 20 clients returning every week to stay socially





connected and active. We suspect this may in part be thanks to the delicious morning tea provided every week by Iris Knight who is a member of the group.

358

Bus trips providing access to social outings, exercise programs and to shopping trips

54,468

kilometres driven by our buses and trucks, providing community transport for groups and to deliver **fresh produce to clients' homes.**



‘The Cottage’ in

Rushcutters Bay is our dementia-specific day centre, and this year the number of families attending grew from 37 to 48. The clients engage in a program designed to address the symptoms, stress and effects of living with various forms of dementia, and the loved ones of our clients benefit from some respite.

‘The Cottage’ Coordinator, Amy Drewe, has continued to network with the community and has met with many professionals in the dementia field from geriatricians, psychogeriatricians, occupational therapists and dementia nurses to the Mayor of Woollahra, Toni Zeltzer. We have set up a library in our lounge room through car boot sales and generous donations from various families and acquired some great art materials and canvasses

from Waverley College.
Our morning tea for the Woollahra Mayor and health professionals was a warm success with 'The Wentworth Courier' taking some great photos for the feature article that spoke highly of 'The Cottage'.

Re-assessments of clients have shown that about 60% are maintaining their cognitive scores. Most importantly, their families report on their 'positive moods' on the days that they have attended.

'The Cottage' strives to support families and carers in a welcoming and cosy environment where people with a dementia diagnosis can engage with others, make new friends and shine again.

AGED & DISABILITIES Group Support

More than **2,000**

Hours of care provided, including activities such as quizzes and trivia, painting and craft, bingo and exercise to stimulate cognitive activity.

More than **1,800**
nutritious lunches served

More than **70** Assessments of potential new clients

40 Hours per week of program development and delivery by our Coordinator and Diversional Therapist, planning activities, assessments, venue set up and catering, management of staff and volunteers and liaising with clients and families.

8- 10 hours on average per week responding to public inquiries and phone calls



Family & Children Services

61

Parents attended our parent information sessions with child minding provided for 18 children

2016-17 has been a busy year for the Family Services team with **several new initiatives starting, staff moving on and new team members joining.**

Sebastiana Woolbridge, who is a familiar face for our SMOOSH families, is now also employed to support our playgroups and other programs as new family support worker.

8

Blue Book Sessions to weigh, measure and **checked up on babies'** development with a child health nurse

Eleanor Venables replaced Annie Tomlinson as Toy Librarian and also takes on duties of family support worker.

Great news came early in the year for our CALD carers. **Our application to Ozharvest was successful** and 17 parents of children with disabilities now receive weekly food parcels free of charge.

In our programs we piloted **free mums and bubs yoga classes**, which were extremely well attended.

We also reinvented our popular baby shed program which now runs as 'Dads and Bubs Bonding' and has been very well received. Three granddads and 54 dads attended including Mark Cyprien, pictured opposite,

with daughter Mia (Photo: Southern Courier.)

In 2016 we also **launched our supported Intergenerational Playgroup** in response to the increasing number of families whose extended families are interstate or overseas.

Later in the year we also piloted our '1,2,3 Magic' in Bengali for our families from Bangladesh.

Our SMOOSH at Gardeners Road Public School welcomed **25 new Kindergarten students**.

Last but not least - working parents can now borrow from the toy library outside of normal office hours. With enough notice we'll make sure there's someone here to open up!

2,583

Hours of outside school hours care at Gardeners Road and Eastlakes Public School for a total of 100 children each day



64

Playgroup sessions
attended by around 120
parents and 150 children

32

Mum's English
classes with
child minding

183

Parents attended 18 different information sessions
and parenting workshops, more than doubling the
attendance since last financial year

Children and Family Services

150

Children and 99 parents attended 4 school holiday activities, a 25% increase in attendance.

More than
800

Toys borrowed from our toy library by 37 families

\$32,263

Inclusion Support funding received, covering the costs of extra educators at SMOOSH to support children with additional needs.



THANK YOU

Thank you to all the families who donated preloved and new toys to our toy library.



Community Builders

In 2016 we offered a range of life skill programs, community capacity building activities, social inclusion programs and workshops which respond directly to the expressed needs of the community and

support both individuals and communities to stay informed, engaged, connected and empowered. In 2016 we held six community conversations involving 100 people from various sections of the community to find out what their aspirations were for the community. We discovered people want to live in a

13

Community Events attracting close 1,000 people

safe and caring community where they feel they belong, are secure about their future and can participate and contribute. We were also reassured that many of the programs and events that we run are closely aligned to what the community wants.

Our work with public housing tenants on issues affecting them has led to a number of successful grants to improve physical amenities of public housing estates as well as supporting people with mental health issues and empowering the community to become more skilled in supporting more vulnerable members of the community.

53 People on average per month

received assisted referral and average of **1142 people** were connected with information.

213 People attended 8 information

sessions and workshops on subjects including memory and ageing, consumer credit, hearing, Centrelink, wills and power of attorney and aboriginal and cross cultural awareness.

8 Social Inclusion Programs with over 317 sessions saw a total attendance of 2447.

1855

people used our outreach services including JP Services, Kingsford Legal Centre, Mental health counselling, Tax help, Work Development Oder Scheme and EAPA.

49,235

people were reached through our newsletters and website and facebook pages.



Eastlakes Public School
We Rise to the Challenge



EASTLAKES

SHOPPING CENTRE



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Partners & Sponsors

We wish to thank our funding bodies, corporate supporters and community partners for their support in 2015-16.



Australian Government
Department of Health



Thank you also to the following donors of in-kind and monetary gifts; Thanks to Woollahra General Practice; Bondi Doctors; Joanna Kitas- Waverley college; Brig Salden- SBS; Belle Property, Double Bay; Bev Martin; Sandra Symons; The Banicevic family; Diana and Richard Khawati; Melissa Solomon; UTS, Prince of Wales Hospital, The War Memorial Hospital and St Vincent's Hospital.

South Eastern Community Connect

ABN: 15 350 811 422

Committee's report

For the year ended 30 June 2017

Your committee members submit the financial report of South Eastern Community Connect for the financial year ended 30 June 2017.

Committee members

The names of the committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Bev Marlin
Denise Wasley
Greg Killeen
Jocelyn Bell
Ian Grey
Graham Hawkes

Principal activities

The principal activity of the association during the financial year is:

Provision of Community Services as defined by the Centre's projects

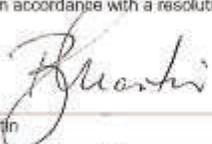
Significant changes

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

Operating result

The profit of the Association for the financial year after providing for income tax amounted to \$157,226.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the members of the committee:



Bev Marlin



Denise Wasley

Dated

10/10/2017

South Eastern Community Connect

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Income statement

For the year ended 30 June 2017

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Income		
FACS Comm Services	579,860	571,456
FACS ADHC	227,206	78,143
Dept of Health	1,307,939	1,187,703
Transport NSW	451,155	421,713
City of Sydney	2,720	3,415
Other Grants	15,484	23,090
Fees	732,978	620,017
Fundraising	1,950	1,630
Other Income	78,643	91,329
Funds: Internal Transfer	490,798	429,087
	3,888,733	3,427,572
Expenses		
Accreditation	45	70
Advertising/Service Promotion	518	27,432
AGM Expenses	913	3,505
Audit Fees	6,000	6,528
Bank Charges	938	1,747
Branding	-	2,082
Bus Hire External	10,633	8,960
Cabcharge	1,327	874
Cleaning	1,168	1,230
Client Expenses	1,567	369
Computer Expenses	6,484	15,158
Computers - New	-	4,199
Conference/Seminars	818	718
Consultants	16,778	9,155
Criminal Checks	1,725	2,046
Depreciation AJ97NM	-	3,000
Depreciation 1112MO	-	15,000
Donation	1,529	3,373
Driver Hire - External	-	780
Employment Expenses	2,365,192	2,195,395
Entertainment/Excursions	36,864	38,144
Equipment	5,274	8,352
Equipment Hire	1,450	1,730
Facilitators Fees	3,338	1,103
Food Boxes - FDN	73,106	18,784
Fuji Xerox Contract	7,148	27,556
Function Expenses	1,700	1,845
Funds Internal Transfer	479,514	407,075
General Expenses	253	-
Insurance - General Insurance	16,147	14,481
Internet	4,877	4,023

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Income statement

For the year ended 30 June 2017

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Legal/ Licence/ Lodgement Fees	607	53
Management Fee	-	2,849
Meals - Centre Based Day Care	15,220	16,455
Meeting Expenses	194	266
Occ Health & Safety	-	519
Occupancy Expenses	136,954	121,164
Other Expenses	7,957	105,486
Policies and Procedures	5,355	-
Postage	1,594	3,107
Printing & Stationery	51,357	28,654
Program Costs	35,407	38,321
Protective Commissioner	1,940	1,692
Relocation Expenses	180,000	64,139
Repairs & Maintenance	3,850	12,605
Resourses	-	545
Sports Programs	10,493	1,920
Standards & Performance	3,564	-
Storage Fees	2,141	1,990
Subscriptions	10,517	5,976
Sundry Expenses	366	64
Suspense	506	-
Telephone	20,991	22,026
Toy Library	270	900
Training	12,715	6,924
Travelling Expenses	61	92
Uniforms	1,235	2,380
Vehicle Expenses	176,742	80,587
Volunteer Expenses	3,553	3,342
Website	610	460
	3,730,086	3,329,047
Net profit	156,646	98,525
Retained earnings at the beginning of the financial year	711,019	612,493
Return of Prior Year Surplus	(1,420)	-
Retained earnings at the end of the financial year	868,245	711,019

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Balance sheet

For the year ended 30 June 2017

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
Current assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3	1,742,355	1,303,901
Trade and Other Receivables	4	9,672	5,023
Other Current Assets	5	42,558	64,579
Total current assets		1,794,584	1,373,502
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	6	156,575	210,175
Total non-current assets		156,575	210,175
Total assets		1,951,159	1,583,678
Current liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	7	504,392	318,855
Provisions	8	206,176	234,096
Other Current Liabilities	9	90,355	55,835
Total current liabilities		800,923	608,785
Non-current liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	7	13,305	24,205
Provisions	8	268,686	239,668
Total non-current liabilities		281,991	263,873
Total liabilities		1,082,914	872,659
Net assets		868,245	711,019
Members' funds			
Retained earnings		868,245	711,019
Total members' funds		868,245	711,019

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Receipts from customers	3,688,400	3,180,245
Payments to suppliers and employees	(3,271,536)	(3,079,992)
Interest	20,970	35,263
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>437,834</u>	<u>135,516</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Payments for property, plant and equipment	-	(113,980)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>(113,980)</u>
Net increase in cash held	437,834	21,536
Cash at beginning of financial year	<u>1,303,900</u>	<u>1,282,364</u>
Cash at end of financial year	<u>1,741,734</u>	<u>1,303,900</u>

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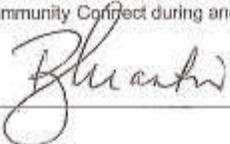
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Certificate by members of committee

Annual statements give true and fair view of the financial position of incorporated association.

We, being the members of the Committee of the South Eastern Community Connect, certify that -

The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of South Eastern Community Connect during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 30 June 2017.



Bev Martin



Denise Wasley

Dated

10/10/2017

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Independent Auditor's Report
To the Members of South East Community Connect

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of South East Community Connect, ("the Entity"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2017, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the Committee.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Entity is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2017 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1 and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

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 Entity in accordance with the auditor independence 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 other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, which has been given to the Committee, would be in the same terms if given as at the time of this auditor's report.

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 for the purpose of fulfilling the financial reporting responsibilities under 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 Management and the Committee for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation of the special purpose financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the relevant Australian Accounting Standards in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for Profits Commission Regulations 2013* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits*

Commission Act 2012 and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the special purpose financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Entity'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 intend to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Committee are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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 the 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 Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management'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 Entity'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 Entity 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 Committee 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.

We also provide the Committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

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13th October 2017
Date

