

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

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AGAINST
VIOLENCE



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Centre Against Violence acknowledges the traditional owners of this land on which we stand and pay our respects to the elders, past, present and future, for they hold the memories, the traditions, and the culture of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

We are committed to helping people of all gender identities, ethnicities, races, sexual orientations, religions, faith, spiritualities, ages, and abilities.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VICTIM SURVIVORS

Centre Against Violence acknowledges victim survivors of sexual harassment, assault, and abuse, family violence, and relational violence. We acknowledge their resilience, strength, and determination to not be defined by their experiences. We acknowledge those who have lost their lives through sexual and family violence.





ABOUT US

OUR PURPOSE

To deliver family and sexual violence services and advocacy to support everyone in the Ovens Murray region to be safe.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

At the Centre Against Violence, the principles of feminism, intersectionality and trauma informed practice underpin our work.

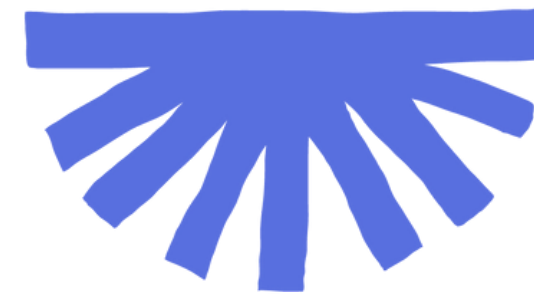
LONG TERM VISION

For all people in the Ovens Murray region to live safer lives. To achieve this, CAV aims to be:

- The recognised provider of inclusive, quality, and accessible services across the region.
- The leading regional voice on family and sexual violence.
- An employer of choice where our staff are safe, supported, and skilled.

OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- ★ Leadership & Advocacy
- ★ Service Excellence
- ★ Great People
- ★ Organisational Evolution





Dr Corina Modderman
Chair

Jaime Chubb
CEO

MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO & CHAIR

HELLO FROM OUR CEO & CHAIR

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Executive team it is our great pleasure to present the Annual Report 2022 - 2023.

The last year was the year where we set the National priority to eradicate violence against women and children in a generation. Sadly, it was also the year that we saw an increase in reported incidents of family and sexual violence throughout our region, and deaths by a former or current partner throughout the country. There is much work to do as a nation to change this horrific trend. Whilst we are one organisation working hard to do this, we take great pride and hope from the many different groups, organisations and individuals who are working and advocating loud every day to make sure everyone in our community feels safe. The year ahead already has a great many priorities set for it, we are excited to be part of the move to change the way we talk about and respond to family and sexual violence.

As an organisation we have spent this year focused on understanding and responding to the needs of our community and clients. The world and the sector in which we work has changed significantly over the last few years. The impact this has on our work and the way we deliver it has been profound. We continue to experience and respond to this increased demand by providing high quality services to victim survivors of family and sexual violence and their families 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The year to come will be another year of both small and large moments that make a real difference in the lives of people impacted by violence.

Over the year we have increased our presence across all social media platforms, radio, tv and newspapers, raising the profile of our organisation and the important work we do. We have partnered with our state peak bodies to raise awareness of important issues and priorities in the sector whilst continuing to tell the story of our own local challenges. The local knowledge and support for CAV has significantly grown this year. We have more people interacting with us, championing us, and seeking service than ever before. We have created spaces – both online and in our new offices where people feel safe, supported, and welcomed regardless of their experiences.



We have also continued to build and develop a highly skilled and experienced team who care deeply about the work that they do. Some days are particularly hard in this work, but the group of kind and dedicated humans who fill our offices ensure that everyone is treated with respect and compassion. Our strong financial performance has strengthened our capacity to value add to funded programs and services. We want to grow our impact and ensure CAV is responding to the needs of our community in a contemporary, respectful and diverse way.

The Board at CAV has set a clear and ambitious direction for our organisation and this year has seen us achieve significant results in setting the framework to achieve our priorities long term. We have been privileged to have a Board that is both experienced and supportive. Thank you for the time and dedication you have all committed to your roles. This year we say goodbye to two of our longest serving Board members. Corina Modderman has been with our board for 9 years and has spent the last three as Chair. Under Corina's guidance the organisation has seen significant change and growth including a new CEO, two new offices and significant service and operational transformation. Lisa Neville will also finish her time on the Board after a four-year term, with the last three years as Vice-Chair. Lisa's commitment to governance and policy has positioned our organisation with a strength in process and operations that is enviable in our sector.

As we begin the new year, we do so with a faith that our community is moving in the direction of our ambitious vision – that everyone feels safe. We continue to stand with our community, our partners, and the people with lived experience of violence to amplify their voices and build a future of safety and hope. We are excited to see the momentum of true change begin.





OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Our Board of Directors

Centre Against Violence is led by a skilled Board of Directors who contribute a diverse range of qualifications, experiences, and backgrounds to the strategic direction and accountable governance of the organisation.

The Board ensures the delivery of efficient, effective, and quality services across the region.



Dr Corina Modderman – Chair



Lisa Neville – Vice Chair



Adrian Johnstone – Treasurer



Melinda Edwards



Tanya Lowes



Mary Reid



David Kidd



Mark Florence *until 23rd May 2023



Our Executive Team

Our executive team brings a diverse range of talents and expertise to collectively steer our organisation with a shared vision and commitment. Lead experts in their respective fields, they play integral roles in securing our client service delivery, operational procedures, and organisational culture.



Lucy Lee
Intake & Therapeutic
Services Manager

Robin Gardner
People & Culture
Manager

Jaime Chubb
CEO

Brent Quill
Corporate Services
Manager

Rebecca Jones
Family Violence &
Accommodation
Services Manager

OUR TEAM

Our Staff

We support, develop, and recruit skilled, knowledgeable, and committed professionals. We take pride in the caliber of staff that we have in our team and are grateful for their dedication and hard work.

-  Wangaratta: 20 staff
-  Wodonga: 20 staff
-  The Orange Door: 11 staff
-  Benalla Outreach: 1 day per week





Our staff are based primarily in our Wodonga and Wangaratta Offices, with outreach one day per week to the Benalla Services hub.

Over the last year, we set ourselves the goal to boost our visibility and accessibility across our rural areas. This included exploring the potential for establishing outreach locations in local towns. We now have seven outreach locations identified to support people right across the region.

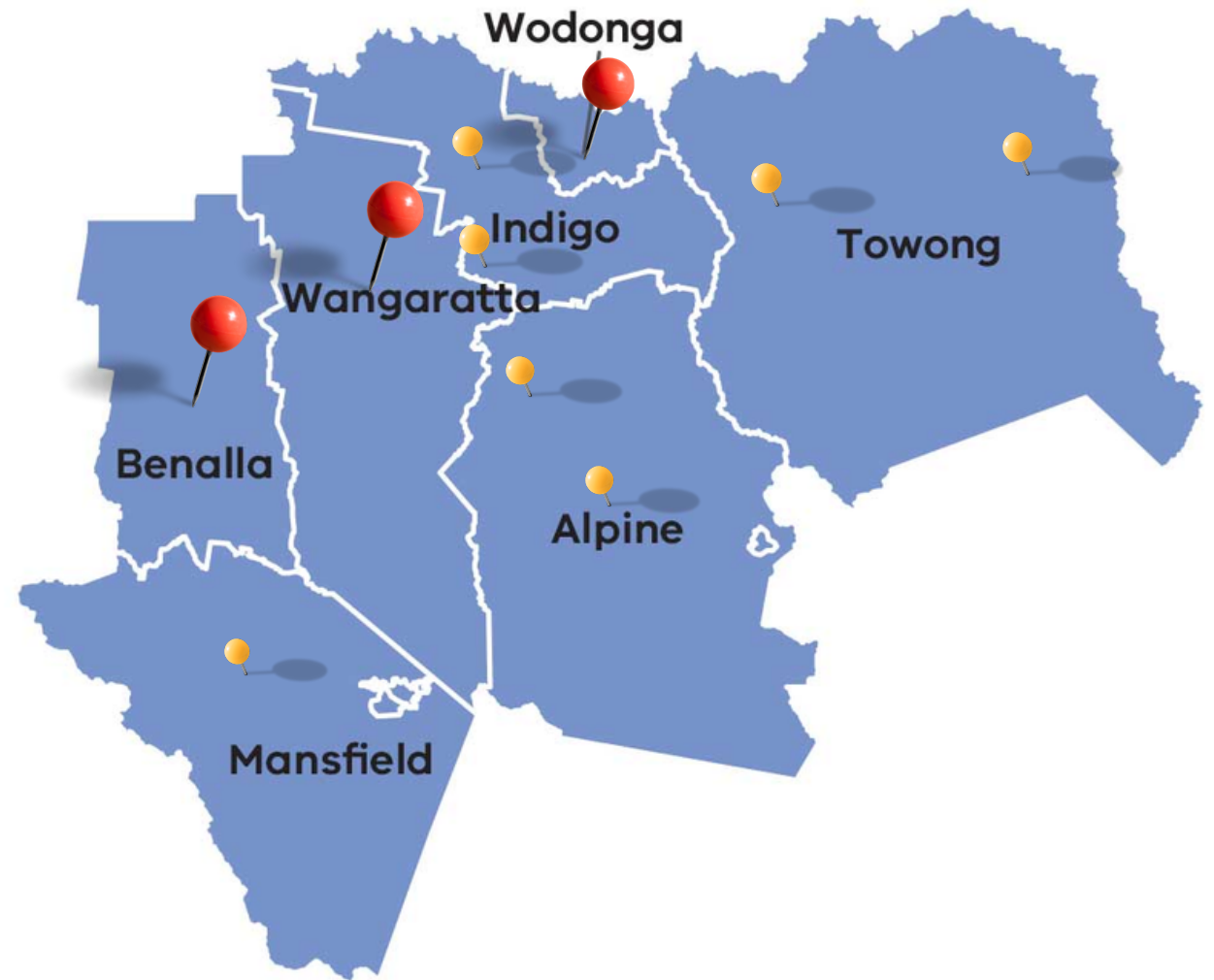
SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

Established Locations

- Wodonga
- Wangaratta
- Benalla

Potential Locations

- Beechworth
- Bright
- Tallangatta
- Chiltern
- Corryong
- Mansfield
- Myrtleford





OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Leadership and Advocacy

We understand the family and sexual violence prevention and response needs of our community and are the leading voice advocating for them.

Objectives:

The Centre Against Violence is recognised across the Ovens Murray region and Victoria as a leader in understanding, responding to, and reducing violence.

We understand community need through research, evidence, and collaborative planning.

Our work across the region builds community understanding and knowledge of family violence, sexual and gendered violence, and family trauma.

We have strong partnerships that support practice, advocacy, and impact.

Service Excellence

We will deliver a full range of accessible and high-quality sexual and family violence services within our community.

Objectives:

The Centre Against Violence is accessible and equitable to all people right across the Ovens and Murray region.

We deliver high-quality, trauma informed, and client-focused service provision.

Our approach is innovative, regional, and collaborative in preventing all forms of violence.

Great People

We support, develop, and recruit skilled, knowledgeable, and committed professionals.

Objectives:

The Centre Against Violence staff feel connected, supported, and empowered.

We are an experienced, energised, committed, and professional team.

We have a strong, knowledgeable and strategic skills-based board.

Our team embodies the culture and values of the organisation.

Organisational Evolution

Our organisational structures and processes support our purpose and vision.

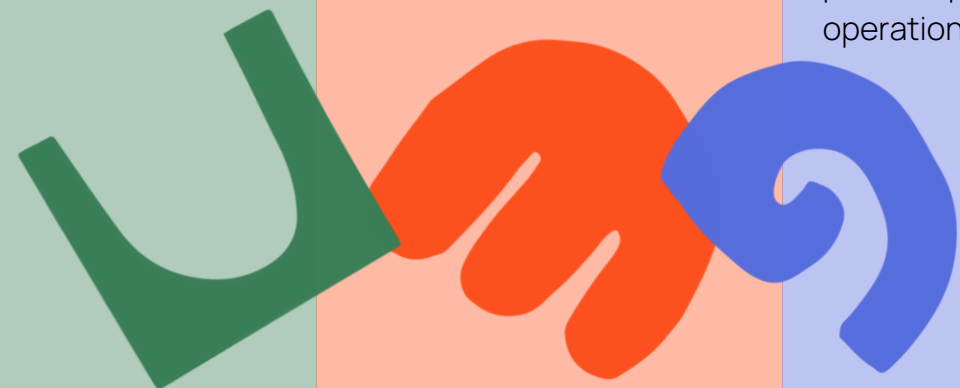
Objectives:

The Centre Against Violence operates efficient corporate services.

Our services and program funding are sustainable, diverse, and reflective of regional need.

We have strong branding and community presence.

Our organisational values are integrated into policies, procedures, and operations.



PRIORITY

LEADERSHIP & ADVOCACY





“In a world filled with words, we choose actions. We say what we mean, we mean what we say, and we lead by example. We believe that to make a real impact, our actions must align with our words.”
Jaime Chubb CEO

The Centre Against Violence, is a renowned leader in the Ovens & Murray region and remains steadfast in its mission to comprehend, respond to, and diminish violence within our community. In the following pages, we share our journey and examples of the impact we have made.

Leadership Involvement:

Our CEO's pivotal role on the Sexual Assault Services (SAS) Victoria Board, along with her leadership as Chair and Auspice of the Ovens & Murray Family Violence Prevention Group, underlines our commitment to addressing violence and promoting community well-being.

Collaborations and Partnerships:

Our partnership with Safe + Equal signifies our unwavering dedication to working alongside like-minded organisations, fortifying a network of support and resources to ensure a safer community.

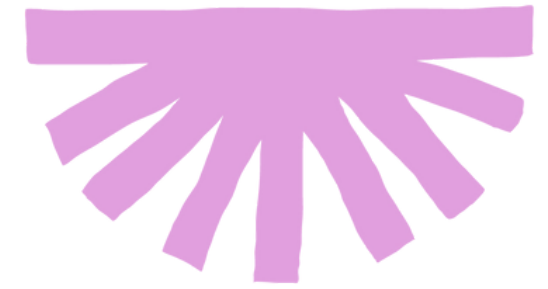
We work closely every day with the many wonderful organisations and agencies within our region to ensure that our communities can access the services, information, and resources that they need.

Advocacy Efforts:

We take pride in being agents of change. In 2022, we tirelessly advocated for a specialised Family Law court in our region. Additionally, we've shared our insights and expertise at the Victorian Housing Forum. We have advocated loudly for increases in funding, consideration of victim's experiences in the legal and judicial systems, acknowledgement of regional and rural challenges, and the voices of victim survivors to be heard at every point. We have joined our local and state colleagues in ensuring that the needs of victims of family and sexual violence are consistently considered and responded to, and that commitments are met.



**The Centre Against Violence
Celebrates Successful
Collaboration and Grant
Funding for Research
Project - June 2023**



LEADING THE WAY THROUGH RESEARCH

Together with Associate Professor Lynne McPherson, and Professor Anne Graham from the Centre for Children and Young People at Southern Cross University, Associate Professor Kathomi Gatwiri from Southern Cross University, Darlene Rotumah from Gnibi College of Australian Indigenous Peoples at Southern Cross University, Dr. Corina Modderman from Rural Health School at La Trobe University, and our CEO, Jaime Chubb at the Centre Against Violence, we have successfully secured grant funding for an essential research project.

Our joint endeavor, known as "Listen UP!," aims to address the historical lack of voice for individuals with lived experiences of child sexual abuse. This project represents a critical step forward in improving responses to disclosure and understanding the needs of children, young people, and adult victims and survivors.

This project empowers victims and survivors, encouraging them to voice their concerns, disclose their experiences, and seek the assistance they deserve. By amplifying their voices, we strive to create a safer and more empathetic society, fostering an environment where individuals are heard, supported, and guided towards healing.

To learn more, go to: <https://nationalcentre.org.au/research/listen-up-learning-from-victims-and-survivors-about-what-helps-disclosure-and-responses-to-child-sexual-abuse>



COMMUNITY ADVOCACY

Community advocacy is at the core of our mission. We actively participate in local events, collaborate with key stakeholders, and work tirelessly to address the root causes of violence. This encompasses our presence at a wide range of regional events and implementation of preventive and educational initiatives in schools and sporting clubs.

We believe that one of the most important steps in addressing violence is to talk about it and acknowledge the sad but prevalent role it plays in our community, our families, and our relationships. We are passionate about not just raising awareness but supporting people to have the language, skills, and confidence to reach out for help and call out poor behaviors, as well as support their friends and families and raise future generations without violence.

“Our dedication goes beyond addressing the consequences of violence, extending to advocating for meaningful change within our community, and in short, shouting from the rooftops.. WE ARE HERE”
Jaime Chubb CEO





We celebrated the 16 days of Activism by heading out and about, visiting our rural communities to talk about respect and showcase all the different support services available to them.

These events provided not only information to the communities but valuable networking and social media opportunities for the services.

16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM

At the 2023 Wangaratta Marathon, we forged a meaningful partnership with the Wangaratta Rovers Under 18 Football Club. Draped in our 'everyone deserves to feel safe' t-shirts, our presence was both prominent and purposeful.

This demonstration underscored our unwavering commitment to fostering a culture of respect, both on and off the field, making our message clear to the community.

WANGARATTA MARATHON

The CAV team, alongside special guest speaker, AFL legend Alex Rance and VICPOL, held consent workshops in both Wangaratta and Wodonga, with over 200 youth and their families in attendance.

The team also held sexual safety and consent workshops at GOTAFE & high schools across the region. We also met with multiple organisations such as the CWA and Salvation Army to talk about what we do and how we can support each other.

INFORMATION SESSIONS

PRIORITY

**SERVICE
EXCELLENCE**





Everyone deserves to feel safe.



Centre Against Violence

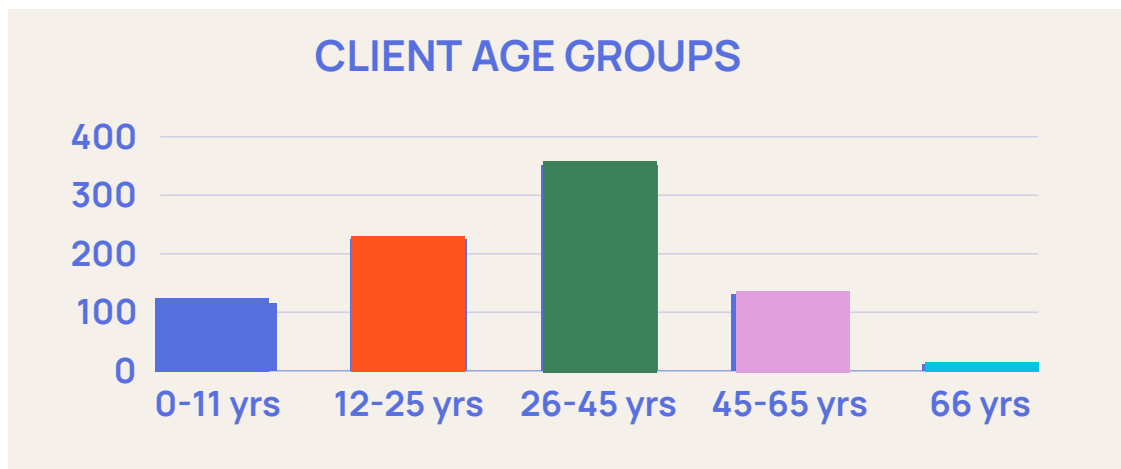


The violence is not your fault.



FAMILY VIOLENCE & SEXUAL SUPPORT SERVICES CLIENT DEMOGRAPHICS

At CAV diversity is embraced and celebrated. We believe that everyone, regardless of their background or individual needs, deserves a safe and welcoming space to access the support they require. Our rooms are thoughtfully designed to create an atmosphere of comfort and security, ensuring that all clients feel at ease. Our dedicated staff members are extensively trained to foster inclusion and cultural awareness. For those who require translation services or specialised assistance, our team is ready to provide the necessary support.



CLIENT DEMOGRAPHICS



10%
Culturally & Linguistically Diverse



11%
First Nations Peoples



84%
Female Clients



15%
Male Clients



1%
Trans & Gender Diverse



FAMILY VIOLENCE & ACCOMMODATION SERVICES

One of our team's significant achievements was our alignment with the Crisis Care Model, in preparation for the statewide rollout due in August 2023. This signifies our commitment to delivering efficient and comprehensive crisis care services to those in need.

**27% increase
in clients from
2021/22**

FAMILY VIOLENCE & ACCOMMODATION SERVICES





SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICES & HARMFUL SEXUAL BEHAVIOURS PROGRAM

Our team of dedicated & passionate counsellor advocates continue to provide a valuable response to those in our community impacted by sexual violence. We have a diverse team with incredible therapeutic skillsets that enable them to ensure they are able to provide a tailored response to meet the needs of victim survivors & their families.

442 Clients Supported

SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT SERVICES



31.7%

Past Sexual Assault



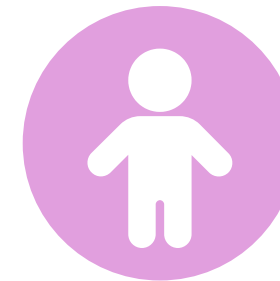
24.6%

Non-Offending Parent Support



21.7%

Recent Sexual Assault (>12 months)



15.2%

Childhood Sexual Assault



6.5%

Related Person Support (sibling, partner etc)



THE ORANGE DOOR

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Our team of specialist family violence practitioners work within an integrated team of other specialist services to provide a centralised intake & assessment point for people seeking support in relation to family violence & family services. They are dedicated to ensuring that clients are assessed and then linked with the services that are able to provide a tailored service response.

The Orange Door network is the intake and assessment point for; adults, children, and young people who are experiencing family violence, families who need support with the care and wellbeing of children, young people, and perpetrators of family violence.

The Orange Door provides a safe and accessible support for people to ensure their voices are heard, and their support needs and goals are responded to.



4372

Number of Unique Clients



4372

Number of Referrals in



6988

Number of Cases Created



3138

Adults



2603

Children



12.6%

First Nations Peoples



CARING DADS PROGRAM

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Caring Dads is Australia's first evidence-based behaviour-change program, helping fathers who have used violence to improve their relationship with their children. Caring Dads supports better parenting practices and a reduction in violence to enhance the safety and well-being of children. It seeks to develop fathers' ability to engage in respectful, non-abusive parenting with the mothers of their children. The program recognises the importance of making fathers equally accountable for their behaviour's and for their children's well-being.

Caring Dads includes family contact as a critical component of the program. In this component, all parent/carers who are co-parenting with the fathers in the group are contacted by the Caring Dads program on a regular basis if they want to. During these contacts, parent/carers are provided with:

- Information about Caring Dads, like content, duration, and requirements.
- Educational resources about parenting and related topics.
- Referrals to support and advocacy services.
- Immediate safety planning if necessary.

During family contact, co-parents are encouraged to share information they feel is important with the case/manager for the family. The main goal of these contacts is to help co-parents using empowering interventions.



42

Referrals



9

Dads completed the program



11

Family Members Supported

In October 2022, we were excited to move to our brand-new premises in Wodonga. At our new location, we prioritised client comfort, and our beautiful rooms are designed to create an inviting, safe and calm atmosphere. Our new home allows us to provide exceptional services in a space that supports our team and our clients.



OUR NEW OFFICES

PRIORITY

GREAT PEOPLE





PEOPLE & CULTURE REPORT

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With the rollout of a new human resource information management system, People and Culture had a successful year in 2022/23, efficiently filling and maintaining positions. We also initiated a staff psychological safety survey to create a baseline for improvement and ensure staff feel supported throughout their employment. The survey results will guide our ongoing efforts to enhance the employee experience.



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New HR employee
Management System



51

Awesome Staff
Members



101

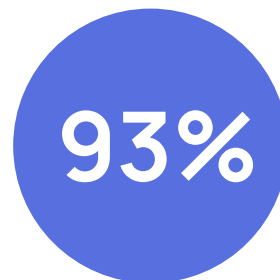
Professional
Development Opportunities



490

Combined years of
Experience in
the Industry

Our employee survey showed the following results...



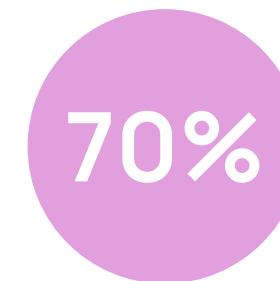
feel they can be a true
version of themselves
at work



feel they can make
mistakes without fear
that their co-workers
will hold it against them



feel their team leader
values their ideas
even if they are
different to the group's



feel people in their team
frequently coordinate with
other team members to
meet organisational and
clients' objectives



At CAV, we highly value our employees and want to make sure they feel valued and supported. One way we achieve this is through our internal events, which celebrate diversity and culture. This includes activities for LGBTQIA events like Wear it Purple Day, mental health awareness days like R U OK Day, and cultural celebrations like Harmony Day and NAIDOC Week.

CREATING JOY





OUR VALUES

“Crafted by our amazing staff and enthusiastically embraced by the entire team, these values now stand as our new standard, underscoring our commitment to fostering a vibrant, caring, and honest organisational culture.”

Jaime Chubb CEO

Be Compassionate

I actively practice kindness and empathy to myself, my colleagues, and my clients.

I will acknowledge and act on what I need to be my best.

I will ask for help when I need it.

I am aware of my emotions and behaviour and how they may affect myself and others.

I practice gratitude, compassion, celebration, and appreciation in my own and others work.

Do the Right Thing

I choose to do the right thing, even when no one is watching.

I take responsibility for representing our values.

I choose courage over comfort and have honest, transparent conversations with others.

I take responsibility for my decisions and actions.



Make a Difference

I approach my work with a sense of positivity.

I hold hope for a better future.

I remain considered and focused on my approach to work.

I will encourage and empower the people I work with to use their own voice.

I am fully engaged and committed to our work.

I will approach my professional development with curiosity, willingness, and flexibility.

I acknowledge change is part of this role and will approach it with flexibility and positivity.

See the Person

I see and treat all people as equals.

I remember that everyone has a story that deserves to be heard.

I will celebrate diversity without judgement.

I will take genuine care and interest in the wellbeing of my colleagues.



PRIORITY

ORGANISATIONAL EVOLUTION





OUR NEW LOOK

In 2022, we were thrilled to unveil our exciting rebranding efforts. We embraced a fresh and dynamic look that reflects our unwavering commitment to creating a safer world. Our new brand features a streamlined logo, a vibrant color palette, and an easy-to-read font.

Our website is now more user-friendly and responsive, ensuring a seamless experience for all. We also updated our brochures and social media to better convey our mission and values, making us recognisable across the sector.

With the addition of a dedicated community engagement and communications officer, our organisations social media engagement & website visitation has had significant growth since June 2022.



1.6K%

Increase in Website Views



3.9K%

Increase in Website Visitors



428%

Increase in Facebook Followers



932%

Increase in Facebook Reach



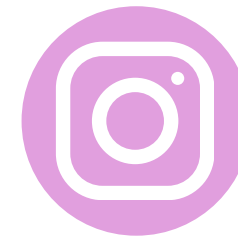
957%

Increase in LinkedIn Followers



55%

Increase in Instagram Followers



13.4K%

Increase in Instagram Reach



2.3K%

Increase in Tik Tok Followers

NEW DIRECTIONS



In this financial year, we had three newly funded positions that have made a significant impact on our organisation, strengthening partnerships, improving service delivery, and addressing critical issues in our community. These included...

- ✿ Community Connections Project Coordinator: Our Community Connections Project Coordinator has played a pivotal role in enhancing our connections with partner organisations, particularly in rural areas. Their active involvement in over 20 network committees has strengthened our collaboration across the sector. They also successfully created community partnership events with more than 16 organisations, significantly improving our presence in rural communities.
- ✿ Family Violence Motel Project Coordinator: At the Centre Against Violence, our Family Violence Motel Project Coordinator has been instrumental in our organisation. They've been a key contributor to the statewide motel project, prompting us to reconsider our motel and hotel accommodation utilisation methods. This project has given us a space to enhance our service delivery in the future.
- ✿ Disability and Family Violence Practice Leader: In May 2023, we achieved a significant milestone by securing funding for a 2-year Disability and Family Violence Practice Leader position. This accomplishment shows our dedication to enhancing our services for clients and families affected by disabilities. Through an extensive recruitment process, we successfully identified and appointed a qualified professional to fill this crucial role. The Disability and Family Violence Practice Leader currently plays a pivotal role in guiding our organisation towards better practices, innovative strategies, and improved support.



FUNDING DIVERSITY

In addition to our regular funding, CAV has received grants and philanthropic donations that have enabled us to expand our activities in the prevention and advocacy space.

We have formed partnerships with the Kyamba Foundation, GOTAFE, the Rural City of Wangaratta and The Wangaratta Art Gallery to launch a year-long art project for victims and survivors of gender-based violence and sexual assault. The exhibition was launched in August 2023.

CAV has also received donations from fundraising events from organisations such as the Border Belly Dance and Sheilas Shakedown.

To further our prevention efforts, we have secured grant funding from Garry Nash & Co - Into Our Hands Foundation, the Wodonga Council and the Wangaratta RSL for prevention workshops that will be conducted in the 2023/24 financial year.





FINANCIAL SUMMARY

In 2022/23 we embedded the new Corporate Services Team structure which incorporated finance, procurement, information technology, occupational health and safety, quality compliance, asset management and our support functions. We have continued to work on streamlining our processes and procedures to ensure we are efficient and utilising our funding accordingly.

We moved into our new purpose designed office in Wodonga and commenced working with designers and builders for the new Wangaratta Office. These facilities will provide an enhanced working environment for our clients and our staff.

We continued to refine our financial operations to meet the changing reporting expectations of our teams and funding bodies in an efficient and effective way. We remained financially viable by generating an operating surplus, matching the timing of funding received with the timing of our services, whilst maintaining a strong balance sheet.



Centre Against Violence Inc.

ABN: 86 254 991 629

Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2023

Centre Against Violence Inc.

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Centre Against Violence Inc.

Directors' report
30 June 2023

The responsible persons present their report on Centre Against Violence Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

Information on directors

The names of each person who has been a director during the year and to date of the report are:

Mary Reid- Chair -2023/2024

Melinda Edwards- Deputy Chair-2023/2024

Corina Modderman- Chair-2022/2023 (Resigned- 22 Nov 2023)

Lisa Neville- Deputy Chair-2022/2023 (Resigned- 22 Nov 2023)

David Kidd

Tanya Lowes

Adrian Johnstone

Mark Florence (Resigned- 23 May 2023)

Graeme Simpfendorfer (Appointed- 22 Nov 2023)

Cherie Holland (Appointed- 22 Nov 2023)

Karen Rourke (Appointed- 22 Nov 2023)

Sarah Treloar (Appointed- 22 Nov 2023)

Responsible persons have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of the report unless otherwise stated.

Principal activities

The principal activity of Centre Against Violence Inc. during the financial year was to provide family violence crisis care and case management for people who are experiencing family violence, and also provide advocacy and counselling support to adults, children and young people who have experienced sexual assault.

No significant changes in the nature of the Centre's activity occurred during the financial year.

Operating results

The surplus of the Centre amounted to \$114,873 (2022-restated: \$897,733)

Dividends paid or recommended

No dividends were paid or declared since the start of the financial year. No recommendation for payment of dividends has been made.

Significant changes in state of affairs

There have been no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Centre during the year.

Centre Against Violence Inc.

Directors' report
30 June 2023

Events after the reporting date

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Centre, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Centre in future financial years.

Future developments and results

Likely developments in the operations of the Centre and the expected results of those operations in future financial years have not been included in this report as the inclusion of such information is likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the Centre.

Environmental issues

The Centre's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulations under a law of the Commonwealth or of a state or territory of Australia.

Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of Centre Against Violence Inc..

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration in accordance with section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, for the year ended 30 June 2023 has been received and can be found on page 4 of the financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of directors.

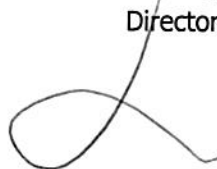


Mary Reid
Chair

Dated:



Adrian Johnstone
Director



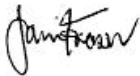
Auditor's independence declaration to the responsible persons of Centre Against Violence Inc.

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2023, there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

The Field Group - Audit

The Field Group - Audit

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gavin Fraser'.

Gavin Fraser

Director

Dated: 29/1/2024

Chirnside Park Victoria

Centre Against Violence Inc.

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income
For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$	Restated 2022 \$
Revenue	5.a	7,522,420	6,954,778
Finance income	6	50,162	1,387
Other income	5.b	340,164	59,275
Total income		7,912,746	7,015,440
Operational expenses		(1,040,010)	(735,707)
Depreciation and amortisation		(440,168)	(204,564)
Employee benefit expenses		(5,327,330)	(4,277,630)
Finance expenses	6	(149,616)	(59,954)
Other expenses		(840,749)	(839,852)
Total expenses		(7,797,873)	(6,117,707)
Surplus before income taxes		114,873	897,733
Income tax	4.c	-	-
Net surplus for the year		114,873	897,733
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive result for the year		114,873	897,733

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of financial position

As at 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$	Restated 2022 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents			
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Cash at bank		6,942,488	6,334,827
Cash on hand		5,200	6,200
Total Cash and cash equivalents		6,947,688	6,341,027
Trade and other receivables	9	147,379	21,842
Other assets	11	22,514	14,439
Total current assets		7,117,581	6,377,308
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	10	1,483,956	1,138,339
Right-of-use assets	12	2,012,339	2,149,451
Other assets	11	13,750	13,750
Total non-current assets		3,510,045	3,301,540
Total assets		10,627,626	9,678,848
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	13	814,278	635,032
Bank overdraft	14	3,498	-
Employee benefits	16	530,593	427,883
Lease liabilities	12	161,872	146,146
Grants in advance	15	1,668,556	1,041,733
Total current liabilities		3,178,797	2,250,794
Non-current liabilities			
Employee benefits	16	5,714	7,929
Lease liabilities	12	1,974,858	2,066,741
Total non-current liabilities		1,980,572	2,074,670
Total liabilities		5,159,369	4,325,464
Net assets		5,468,257	5,353,384
Equity			
Retained earnings		5,468,257	5,353,384

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of changes in equity
For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Retained surplus	Total
	\$	\$
2022		
Opening balance	4,455,651	4,455,651
Surplus for the year- restated	897,733	897,733
Closing balance	5,353,384	5,353,384
	Retained surplus	Total
	\$	\$
2023		
Opening balance	5,353,384	5,353,384
Surplus for the year	114,873	114,873
Closing balance	5,468,257	5,468,257

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Centre Against Violence Inc.

Statement of cash flows
For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$	Restated 2022 \$
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Receipts from customers		9,060,690	7,851,352
Payments to suppliers and employees		(7,909,308)	(5,492,321)
Interest received		50,162	1,387
Interest paid		(149,616)	(59,954)
Net cash flows from operating activities		1,051,928	2,300,464
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Proceeds from sale of plant and equipment		1,094,522	21,452
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(1,367,130)	(203,307)
Net cash (used in) investing activities		(272,608)	(181,855)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(176,157)	-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		603,163	2,118,609
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		6,341,027	4,222,418
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	8.b	6,944,190	6,341,027

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Centre Against Violence Inc.

Notes to the financial statements
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1. Introduction

The financial report covers Centre Against Violence Inc. as an individual entity. Centre Against Violence Inc. is a not-for-profit Centre, registered and domiciled in Australia.

The principal activities of the Centre for the year ended 30 June 2023 were to provide family violence crisis care and case management for people who are experiencing family violence, and also provide advocacy and counselling support to adults, children and young people who have experienced sexual assault.

The functional and presentation currency of Centre Against Violence Inc. is Australian dollars.

The financial report was authorised for issue by those charged with governance on 17 January 2024.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

2. Basis of preparation

In the opinion of those charged with governance, the Centre is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial statements who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. These special purpose financial statements have been prepared to meet the reporting requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards and Accounting Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of *AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements*, *AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows*, *AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors* and *AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures*.

The financial statements and material accounting policies all comply with the recognition and measurement requirements in Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

Significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and are consistent with prior reporting periods unless otherwise stated.

3. Transition to simplified disclosure

In the previous period, the Centre prepared special purpose financial statement.

In adopting this standard, the Centre has applied *AASB 1 First Time Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards*.

The adoption of Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures does not necessitate alterations to accounting policies and has not resulted in any material impact on financial position, financial performance, or cash flows.

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4. Summary of significant accounting policies

a. Revenue

i. Revenue from contracts with customers

The core principle of AASB 15 is that revenue is recognised on a basis that reflects the transfer of promised services to customers at an amount that reflects the consideration the Centre expects to receive in exchange for those services.

Generally, the timing of the rendering of services corresponds closely to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations, however where there is a difference, it will result in the recognition of a receivable, contract asset or contract liability.

None of the revenue streams of the Centre have any significant financing terms as there is less than 12 months between receipt of funds and satisfaction of performance obligations.

ii. Specific revenue streams

The revenue recognition policies for the principal revenue streams of the Centre are:

Grants

Grants are generally recognised as income when the Centre obtains control over the granted asset. Control over granted assets normally occurs at the time they are received. However, where performance obligations under the relevant grant agreements remain unsatisfied the grants will be recognised as a liability until those obligations are satisfied.

Donations & other contributions

Donations and other contributions are recognised as income upon receipt of the related funds.

Interest

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

b. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

c. Income tax

The Centre is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

d. Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised initially on the date that the Centre becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

On initial recognition, all financial instruments are measured at fair value plus transaction costs (except for instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are expensed as incurred).

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i. Financial assets

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

Amortised cost

The Centre's financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position.

Subsequent to initial recognition, these assets are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less provision for impairment.

Interest income and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

ii. Financial liabilities

The Centre measures all financial liabilities initially at fair value less transaction costs, subsequently financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

The financial liabilities of the Centre comprise bank, trade payables and lease liabilities.

e. Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payable are stated inclusive of GST.

Cash flows in the Statement of cash flows are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

f. Leases

At inception of a contract, the Centre assesses whether a lease exists.

The non-lease components included in the lease agreement have been separated and are recognised as an expense as incurred.

At the lease commencement, the Centre recognises a right-of-use asset and associated lease liability for the lease term. The lease term includes extension periods where the Centre believes it is reasonably certain that the option will be exercised.

The right-of-use asset is depreciated over the lease term on a straight-line basis and assessed for impairment in accordance with the impairment of assets accounting policy.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments at the commencement of the lease. The discount rate is the rate implicit in the lease, however where this cannot be readily determined then the Centre's incremental borrowing rate is used.

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Subsequent to initial recognition, the lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. The lease liability is remeasured whether there is a lease modification, change in estimate of the lease term or index upon which the lease payments are based (e.g. CPI) or a change in the Centre's assessment of lease term.

Where the lease liability is remeasured, the right-of-use asset is adjusted to reflect the re measurement or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

Exceptions to lease accounting

The Centre has elected to apply the exceptions to lease accounting for both short-term leases (i.e. leases with a term of less than or equal to 12 months) and leases of low-value assets. The Centre recognises the payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

g. Employee Entitlements

i. Annual leave

A liability for annual leave is recognised in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date and is measured at the amount expected to be paid when the liability is settled. All annual leave balances are classified as a current liability.

ii. Long Service Leave

Long service leave entitlements payable are assessed at balance date having regard to expected employee remuneration rates on settlement, employment related on-costs and other factors including accumulated years of employment. All long service leave which the entity does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after reporting date is disclosed as a current liability and is measured at nominal value based on the amount expected to be paid when settled. Long service leave expected to be paid later than one year has also been based on the amount expected to be paid when settled. Long service leave entitlements are recognised for all employees in full regardless of whether they have reached vesting date.

h. Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period the Centre determines whether there is evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of the fair value less costs of disposal and the value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset.

Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Reversal indicators are considered in subsequent periods for all assets which have suffered an impairment loss.

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i. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been restated due to errors in prior year financial statements. The restated figures are presented in Note 19.

j. Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The Centre has adopted all standards which became effective for the first time at 30 June 2023, refer to the Change in accounting policy note, for details of the changes due to standards adopted.

5. Revenue and other income

a. Revenue from continuing operations

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Service income	7,486,364	6,919,702
Donations	10,056	35,076
Grants	26,000	-
	<u>7,522,420</u>	<u>6,954,778</u>

b. Other income

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Disposal of fixed assets	276,065	-
Other income	64,099	59,275
	<u>340,164</u>	<u>59,275</u>

6. Finance income and expenses

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Finance income		
Interest income	50,162	1,387

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Finance expenses		
Interest expense	149,616	59,954

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7. Auditor's remuneration

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Remuneration of the auditor of the centre, The Field Group,-Audit Pty Ltd, for:		
Auditing or reviewing the financial statements	13,000	22,878

8. Cash and cash equivalents

a. Cash and cash equivalent details

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	6,942,488	6,334,827
Cash on hand	5,200	6,200
	6,947,688	6,341,027

b. Reconciliation of cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position as follows:

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	6,947,688	6,341,027
Bank overdraft	(3,498)	-
	6,944,190	6,341,027

9. Trade and other receivables

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Current		
Prepayments Work cover Insurance and Training	101,357	21,842
Pre-Paid Training	46,022	-
Total Other trade and other receivables	147,379	21,842

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10. Property, plant and equipment

a. Accounting policy

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment.

i. Land

Land are measured using the cost model.

ii. Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured using the cost model.

iii. Depreciation

Property, plant and equipment, excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the Centre, commencing when the asset is ready for use.

Leased assets and leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or their estimated useful life.

The estimated useful lives used for each class of depreciable asset are shown below:

Fixed asset class	Useful life- Years
Plant and equipment	2-10
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	5
Motor vehicles	5

b. Property, plant and equipment details

Summary	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Land	-	694,534
Plant and equipment	163,344	189,428
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	1,061,975	8,500
Motor vehicles	258,637	185,398
Leasehold improvements	-	60,479
	1,483,956	1,138,339

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2022	Land	Plant and equipment	Motor vehicles	Leasehold improvements	Fitouts	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
As at 01 July 2021	694,534	186,202	215,901	75,598	-	1,172,235
Additions	-	56,204	20,779	-	8,500	85,483
Disposals	-	-	(2,481)	-	-	(2,481)
Depreciation	-	(52,978)	(48,801)	(15,119)	-	(116,898)
As at 30 June 2022	694,534	189,428	185,398	60,479	8,500	1,138,339

2023	Land	Plant and equipment	Motor vehicles	Leasehold improvements	Fitouts	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
As at 01 July 2022	694,534	189,428	185,398	60,479	8,500	1,138,339
Additions	-	107,472	141,705	-	1,117,953	1,367,130
Disposals	(694,534)	(64,051)	(14,446)	(45,426)	-	(818,457)
Depreciation	-	(69,505)	(54,020)	(15,053)	(64,478)	(203,056)
As at 30 June 2023	-	163,344	258,637	-	1,061,975	1,483,956

11. Other assets

Current	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Accrued income	16,365	86
Security Bond	-	14,353
Personal Safety Devices On-Hand	6,149	-
Total Other assets	6,149	14,353
	22,514	14,439

Non-current	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Security Bond	13,750	13,750
	13,750	13,750

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12. Leases

a. Centre as a lessee

The Centre leases various properties, including offices, work stations and contact room.

i. Terms and conditions of leases

The Centre leases various properties, including offices, contact rooms and work stations. Rental contracts are made for periods of 1 to 10 year.

Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor. Leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

Extension and termination options are included in a number of property leases across the Centre. These are used to maximize operational flexibility in terms of managing the assets used in the Center's operations. The majority of extension and termination options held are exercisable only by the Centre and not by the respective lessor.

ii. Right-of-use assets

2022	Buildings \$
Opening balance	-
Additions	2,237,117
Depreciation	(87,666)
Closing balance	2,149,451

2023	Buildings \$
Opening balance	2,237,117
Additions	100,000
Depreciation	(324,778)
Closing balance	2,012,339

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iii. Lease liabilities

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
< 1 year	161,872	146,146
1 - 5 years	1,206,424	1,033,380
> 5 years	768,434	1,033,361
Total undiscounted lease liabilities	2,136,730	2,212,887
Lease liabilities included in the statement of financial position		
Lease liabilities- Current	161,872	146,146
Lease liabilities- Non Current	1,974,858	2,066,741
Total Lease liabilities included in the statement of financial position	2,136,730	2,212,887

13. Trade and other payables

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Current		
GST payable	224,844	148,997
Employee benefits	371,742	287,123
Other trade and other payables	217,692	198,912
	814,278	635,032

Trade and other payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying value of trade and other payables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

14. Borrowings

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Current		
Bank overdraft	3,498	-

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15. Grants in advance

	2023	Restated 2022
	\$	\$
Grants in advance		
Caring Dads in Advance	81,063	83,509
Comm Conn in Advance	21,280	6,000
Comms and People in Advance	-	30,000
Disability Practice Lead in Advance	169,487	-
FV Brokerage in Advance	51,070	29,258
FV Packages in Advance	62,780	307,949
FV Practice Lead in Advance	-	989
FV Refuge in Advance	152,552	-
Orange Door in Advance	498,395	378,673
SA Brokerage in Advance	22,190	12,075
Sexual Assault Support in Advance	547,390	131,588
Family Violence Crisis in Advance	-	900
Paid Parental Leave in Advance	2,600	4,843
Sundry Grants in Advance	59,749	55,949
Total Grants in advance	1,668,556	1,041,733
	1,668,556	1,041,733

16. Employee benefits

a. Accounting policy

Provision is made for the Centre's liability for employee benefits, those benefits that are expected to be wholly settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs.

Employee benefits expected to be settled more than one year after the end of the reporting period have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employee may satisfy vesting requirements. Cashflows are discounted using market yields on high quality corporate bond rates incorporating bonds rated AAA or AA by credit agencies, with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cashflows. Changes in the measurement of the liability are recognised in profit or loss.

i. Defined contribution schemes

Obligations for contributions to defined contribution superannuation plans are recognised as an employee benefit expense in profit or loss in the periods in which services are provided by employees.

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b. Employee benefit details

	2023	Restated 2022
Current	\$	\$
Long service leave	107,387	142,568
Annual leave	423,206	285,315
	530,593	427,883

	2023	Restated 2022
Non-current	\$	\$
Long service leave	5,714	7,929

17. Contingencies

In the opinion of the Directors, the Centre did not have any contingencies at 2023 (2022: None).

18. Events occurring after the reporting date

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Centre, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Centre in future financial years.

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19. Summary of differences

	2022	Restated 2022	Difference
	\$	\$	\$
Income Statement			
Revenue from operating activities	7,950,590	6,954,778	995,812
Finance income	1,387	1,387	-
Other income	104,857	59,275	45,582
Operational expenses	(739,330)	(735,707)	(3,623)
Depreciation and amortisation	(119,013)	(116,898)	(2,115)
Employee benefit expenses	(3,971,724)	(4,277,630)	305,906
Other expenses	(811,452)	(927,518)	116,066
Finance expense	-	(59,954)	59,954
Net surplus	2,415,315	897,733	1,517,582
Statement of financial position			
Cash	6,341,026	6,341,026	-
Other assets	18,661	36,281	(17,620)
Non current assets	-	-	-
Property plant & equipment-At cost	1,771,953	1,675,583	96,370
Property plant & equipment-Acc. Depn	(539,357)	(537,242)	(2,115)
Right of use assets	-	2,149,451	(2,149,451)
Security bond	-	13,750	(13,750)
Total assets	7,592,283	9,678,849	(2,086,566)
Accounts payable	279,540	347,910	(67,370)
Current liabilities- Provision	361,828	427,883	(66,055)
Provisions for long service leave-Non Current	79,949	7,929	72,020
Grants in advance	-	1,328,856	(1,328,856)
Lease non current	-	146,146	(146,146)
Leases current	-	2,066,741	(2,066,741)
Total liabilities	721,317	4,325,465	(3,603,148)
Net assets	6,870,966	5,353,384	1,517,582
Equity			
Retained earnings	4,455,651	4,455,651	-
Profit for the year	2,415,315	897,733	1,517,582
Total equity	6,870,966	5,353,384	1,517,582

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20. Statutory information

The registered office and principal place of business of the Centre is:

Centre Against Violence Inc.
PO Box 438
Wangaratta VIC Australia
3676

Centre Against Violence Inc.

Responsible persons' declaration

The board of management declare that in the responsible persons' opinion:

- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the registered entity is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable; and
- the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulation 2013*.

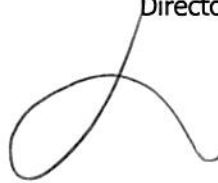


Mary Reid
Chair

Dated:



Adrian Johnstone
Director



Independent audit report to the members of Centre Against Violence Inc.

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of Centre Against Violence Inc. (the Centre), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements and the Responsible persons' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Centre for the year ended 30 June 2023 is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Entity 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 our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report is prepared to assist the Centre in fulfilling the directors' financial reporting responsibilities. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the Centre and should not be distributed to or used by parties other than the Centre. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, 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 Centre'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 Centre or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Centre'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 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.

The Field Group - Audit

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Gavin Fraser

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Director

Dated: 29/1/2024

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