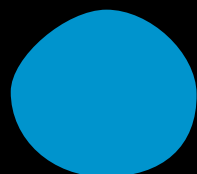
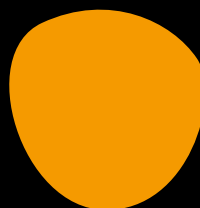
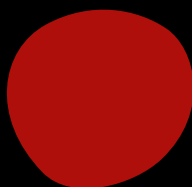
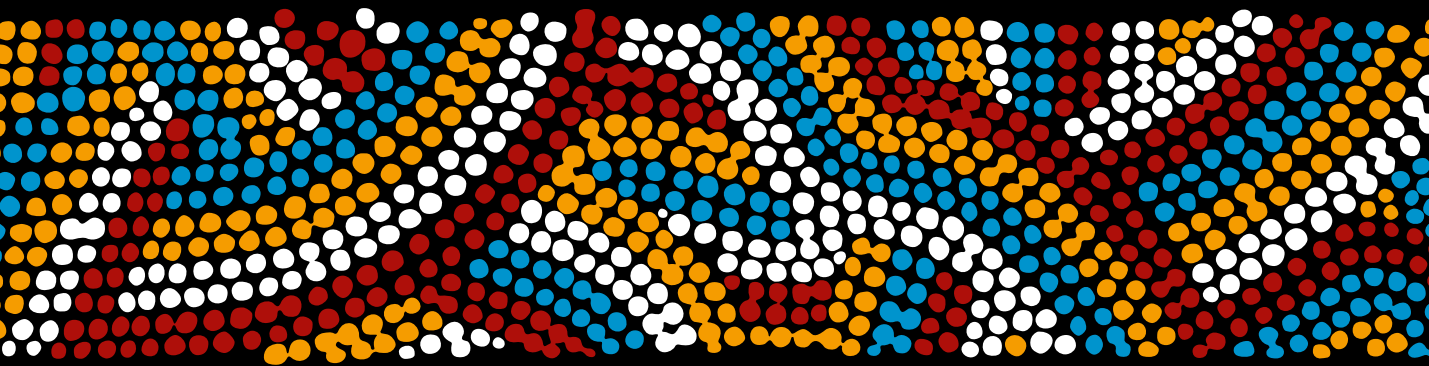


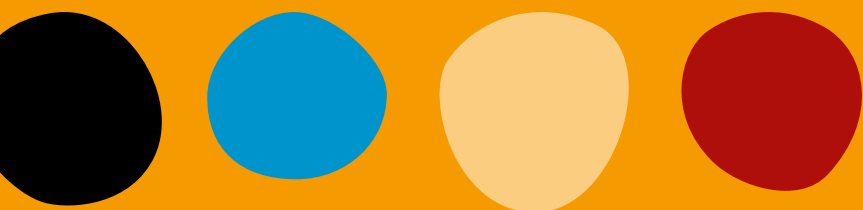


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Chairperson Report

Gary R. Paynter,
Chairperson

It is with great pleasure that I report on another year of service by the newly named Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation (Aboriginal Sobriety Group).

As I look back over the year's events, I am forced to reflect on what has been and what is yet to become. Aboriginal Sobriety Group has remained strong and proud in our position as an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation situated in an environment where there is a distinct trajectory to 'mainstream'. The endemic continuum of contemporary issues, although having subtle changes have remained the same, and we are still experiencing epidemic rates of homelessness, addiction, incarceration, child removal, unemployment, poverty... and the list goes on. State and Federal budgets are shrinking, funding is getting tighter and small organisations such as ours are placed in positions of competitive tendering in the competitive market of corporate and consortiums.

Aboriginal Sobriety Group has a distinct role in addressing societal issues and has effected change by moulding and developing future strategies, put simply, standing and advocating strongly for what works and is working well. This year the Board has spent a great deal of time exploring what is working well and has been consolidating these learnings with new opportunities.

This has seen the organisation explore a number of options in endeavours to fill the gaps for client groups that are the most disadvantaged and vulnerable in society.

We are pleased to report that this developed into opportunities that will broaden the scope of service provision and add value to the type of support offered to service users.

As a living organisation the Aboriginal Sobriety Group will continue to strengthen ourselves as strong contenders in service provision with particular reference to those that society identify as 'too hard' or too complicated'. Our strength is our ability to creatively provide specialised services and support to the most vulnerable members of our community with high and complex needs.

Throughout the year I have appreciated the contributions made by our Board Members in providing strategic direction to the organisation. This could not have been achieved without the leadership, direction, innovation and development of services that has been guided by the Executive Team. Furthermore I would like to recognise the commitment and dedication of our frontline staff in the delivery of efficient and effective service delivery.

I would like to acknowledge and thank our funders through State and Commonwealth Government and acknowledge the contributions made by our partners and sponsors.

I know that the coming years will require us to become more innovative in our approach to responding to the complexity of need that our communities continue to face. Aboriginal Sobriety Group is well positioned to respond to these future challenges.

Yours respectfully

Gary R. Paynter,
Chairperson



Chief Executive Report

Joe Silvestri,
Chief Executive Officer

I am pleased to report on another successful year of service provision by the Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation.

The year that was, has been an eventful and challenging year. The much talked about changes at a Commonwealth level became reality with the introduction of the Indigenous Advancement Strategy and a new procurement process was to be undertaken for continuation of services. Homelessness funding was rolled over for an additional two years ensuring a continuation of the Eastern and Western homelessness programs to June 2016, coinciding with the end of the Commonwealth and State National Affordable Housing Agreement in 2016. Many of these changes have, and will continue to, shape and change the way Organisations and services operate.

Amidst these changes ASG, its programs and staff have remained true to our mission, purpose and quality service provision to clients and Community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Executive Management, Program Managers, and staff, all of whom have been instrumental in remaining focused and ensuring that quality services continued to be delivered.

Serving Community, whilst challenging, is also highly rewarding. ASG, throughout the year, has assisted many clients to achieve positive and beneficial 'life changing' outcomes in a multitude of areas including drug and alcohol support, counselling and rehabilitation, homelessness, safe transport, health and fitness, and reducing incarceration rates.

ASG continues to deliver important and vital services to individuals, families and community, many of whom are highly vulnerable. It is critical that ASG ensures not only the continuation of programs and services that we are currently funded to provide, but that we also remain focused on ensuring the identification, establishment and implementation of new and innovative programs that respond to, and meet the needs, of our client group.

I would like to thank funding bodies, both Federal and State, for their continuing support and respect for the good work that ASG continues to do on a daily basis. I would also like to thank all the Organisations that work in partnership with ASG to ensure that clients' needs are met and outcomes are achieved.

Yours respectfully
Joe Silvestri,
Chief Executive Officer



Mission Statement

VISION

Sobriety and healing for Aboriginal people

PURPOSE

To provide healing pathways away from grief, loss, trauma and abusive lives

VALUES

- Practicing Aboriginal culture, custom, tradition and spirituality
- A sober lifestyle
- Respect for our clients, colleagues, partners and community
- Acting with integrity, honesty and accountability
- Quality service provision to ensure positive outcomes for clients

ASG Strategic Goals

STRATEGIC GOAL 1: PROVIDE QUALITY SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITY

- Reflect the needs of community
- Promote healthy lifestyles and resilience
- Maintain a client focus
- Provide holistic and unique service delivery
- Value consultation and feedback
- Provide best practice and evidence based services

STRATEGIC GOAL 2: PROVIDE EFFECTIVE SYSTEMS, STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES TO SUPPORT EMPLOYEES AND PROGRAMS

- Recruit and retain Aboriginal staff
- Reflect commitment to diversity, resilience, accountability and ethical standards in daily practice
- Provide training and professional development opportunities
- Efficiently use current resources for maximum benefit and outcomes
- Maintain Accreditation and continuous improvement
- Assess and reduce risk

STRATEGIC GOAL 3: WORK TOGETHER WITH ALL STAKE HOLDERS TO MAXIMISE RESOURCES AND ACHIEVE POSITIVE OUTCOMES

- Appropriately source ongoing funding and resources for maximum benefit and outcomes
- Create and maintain Service Agreements with strategic partners
- Work effectively with strategic partners to ensure client outcomes
- Provide evidential feedback on funding

Service Delivery Model



Individuals can enter any of our services which include Substance Misuse, Rehabilitation (Lakalinjeri Tumbetin Waal), Riverland, Mobile Assistance Patrol (MAP) and Homelessness via self referral or interagency referral and can exit at any point.

QIP Accreditation



Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation is committed to providing quality programs and procedures for our clients and staff members.

The past twelve months has seen a review of policies as part of tendering for preferred provider status in the area of disability services.

In December 2016, the Quality Improvement Council (QIC) will commence another accreditation process to ensure that we remain accredited and aligned to health and community service standards.



The Substance Misuse Team (SMT)

The increase in the use of substances, particularly methamphetamine and its more potent form ICE, has seen a substantial growth in the need for intensive delivery of alcohol and other drug (AOD) services by our substance misuse team. The team delivers culturally appropriate, holistic and unique service responses from assessment, referral, AOD case management and counselling support that is focused on early intervention and prevention, harm minimisation and rehabilitation services to our customers.

Our services respond, promote and support a broader social and emotional wellbeing framework into intensive casework and community support. The team provides and promotes AOD education and awareness to a broad range of stakeholders including clients, Government and non-Government services, and staff.

The depth and breadth of need for our customer is complex and whilst their immediate need is focused on substance misuse support we provide a holistic response to a broad range of needs. This often includes legal, financial, housing, family, health, and loss and grief, all of which impacts client's daily health and wellbeing. The ongoing achievement of positive client outcomes is testimony to

the dedication, commitment and skills of the SMT staff working on the ground. Well done team.

We had the opportunity to identify and respond to the unmet needs of customers who were not accessing or engaging with counselling services. In response to this a dedicated counselling position was established within the team, this has been a successful outcome in providing not only the much more intensive counselling support but holistic responses through customer directed need. Over the past twelve months a significant number of clients have achieved positive outcomes in the area of sustained housing, employment and quality of life.

We have also identified the need for the SMT team to continue service provision to customer's post and pre incarceration to reduce the high rates of incarceration and repeat offender behaviour through the judicial system. Our program is highly commended and identified as strong provider of services within and across these systems.

SMT has well established relationships and partnerships with other services to work effectively to ensure client outcomes, and to provide an extensive referral program.

The SMT team are to be commended for their commitment, dedication and achievements in working with the most vulnerable people in our community.





Homelessness Program

The Western and Eastern Adelaide Aboriginal Homeless Programs have continued to provide another year of high quality care and support to clients who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

The past year has seen significant challenges around long term sustainable funding for the programs. The need for homelessness programs and services continues to rise in an environment where there is a shortage of affordable housing, especially for those who are high and complex in need. We continue to collaborate with other services to support clients through integrated service responses to achieve more holistic responses tailored to the needs of our customers.

We saw significant numbers presenting to the programs with chronic health and mental health issues which only aids in intensifying and lengthening the work needed to be done with individual clients in the achievement of beneficial long term outcomes. This has led to a stronger reliance on strong partnerships with health, mental health, and drug and alcohol service providers. In addition there has been a significant increase in the number of referrals for clients exiting correctional facilities or engaged with community corrections which highlights and reinforces the critical need for a long term funding solution.

Our team of staff are a resilient team and dedicated to the provision of culturally appropriate service provision to client groups that can only be described as having needs that are high and complex.

A major achievement for housing during this period has been the direct result of collaboration. The strong collaboration and partnership between program staff and the Private Rental Liaison Officers situated within Housing SA, has seen a high number of clients obtain affordable housing in the private rental market.

We have also achieved substantial success working with a client with exceptional needs. The client was referred from Forensic Mental Health to the Western homelessness crisis accommodation program. Shortly after entry it became evident that there were no suitable housing options for a sustainable housing exit. This particular scenario led to ASG and the homelessness team seeking innovative ways to support the client throughout the duration of service delivery and develop a 'best practice' model of accommodation and service provision tailored to the needs of the client.

In the later part of this year, and in recognition of the hard work and innovative ways of working, we successfully gained Disability Services Preferred Provider status and approval for a 12 month pilot for accommodation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women with exceptional high and complex needs. The

homelessness team are to be commended as they have been instrumental in identifying what works and in developing solutions that best meets the needs of this vulnerable client cohort.

We continue to foster and develop collaborative relationships and work is currently being completed in the West to ensuring effective outcomes for clients. The work being undertaken by the homelessness program, Western Adelaide Generic Homeless Service, and the Aboriginal Transitional Housing Outreach Service is ongoing and each will continue to face significant challenges aligned with the increasing needs for homelessness support, shortages of affordable housing and increasing complexity of client presentations.

The alliance between Baptist Care and ASG continues to remain strong and the Eastern caseworkers continue to provide homelessness support to clients from the Westcare centre located in Wright Street and us.

We recognise that each of our programs have very strong and collaborative working partnerships with the Community Housing sector and are both thankful and appreciative of the opportunities afforded to clients , many of whom have had complicated housing histories. The homelessness programs would like to extend our gratitude to all who have assisted and supported clients to sustain tenancies in this space.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff and external stakeholders for the commitment and dedication in the achievement of goals and outcomes for clients who are predominately, the most vulnerable and disadvantaged member of our community.

Finally, I would like to thank the Department of Communities and Social Inclusion for their support during a very challenging and changing environment.





Lakalinjeri Tumbetin Waal (LTW)

Lakalinjeri Tumbetin Waal (LTW) is a nonmedical dry rehabilitation centre located on a farm at Monarto. Clients are assisted through a number of programs to recover from alcohol or other substance misuse lifestyles over a 12 – 24 week live-in period.

Lakalinjeri Tumbetin Waal means clan, family, and community healing place and we adopt a holistic approach by treating the underlying grief as well as the disorder, and provide education and opportunity for skills development and counselling.

It is important that we provide these services in order to strengthen the ability of Aboriginal individuals, families and communities to establish and maintain healthy lifestyle choices and reduce the burden of problems associated with substance misuse.

SERVICE DELIVERY

Our vision is to enhance our client's opportunity to transition back into the community more successfully offering new directions and pathways of support. Our residential program for each individual client includes a comprehensive case plan, with regular case conferences and assistance from external agencies.

We ensure that we provide clients with support once they exit the rehabilitation centre by providing transitional housing and programs such as career advice counselling, training and assistance in obtaining ongoing independent accommodation for clients.

Aboriginal culture plays a vital role in the rehabilitation process, so it is important that throughout our daily programs we incorporate cultural activities including smoking ceremonies and talking circles.

PROGRAMS

Daily programs have been put in place to teach, educate and support each client as they strive to create a better future for themselves. Through strong working relationships with staff and external providers in our local community we are able to improve our service responses.

Current programs and services include:

Woodwork

As a result of funding changes services provided by Finding Workable Solutions were ceased. We were however fortunate enough to employ Mark the Wood Working instructor from FWS one day a week so we are able to continue to provide our clients with a wood working program.

It is hoped that new funding can be sourced for FWS in the near future so we can see this program up and running again at LTW.

Riverland Aboriginal Men's Support Group (RAMSG)

Throughout the year we were invited and attended fortnightly Men's Group hosted by ASG in the Riverland and the Riverland

Aboriginal Men's Support Group. This provided a day trip for clients to a culturally safe venue to discuss men's issues, social and emotional wellbeing amongst the men, and to have a good yarn, laugh and lunch.

Empathy Not Sympathy – Stephen Cain

Stephen Cain is a motivational speaker who shares his personal story and provides our clients with strategical tasks and challenges that aim to show that it is possible to make positive change to their lives. Stephen facilitates a range of activities, storytelling and team building exercise designed to provide reflection on behaviour, impacts on family and community and behavioural change.

The program focuses on:

- Respect and Safety in the workplace
- Motivation
- Nothing is impossible
- Value of employment
- Honesty
- Integrity
- Family Values
- Low Self-Esteem
- Accountability

Gutter to Glory Program - Stephen Cain



TAFE

TAFE provides a weekly course on Horticulture at the property with the aim of participants gaining a certificate whilst at rehabilitation. TAFE are committed to meeting the needs of the clients and additional training options will be progressed in the upcoming year.

Hepatitis SA

Hepatitis SA visited fortnightly providing education on preventing and living with Hepatitis, as well as facilitating art workshops which are very popular with the clients.

Relationships Australia

Relationships Australia provides drug and alcohol counselling once a week and financial counselling fortnightly to our clients on site.

Nairne Medical Clinic

After building a strong repour with Dr Lasath & Dr Marcus at the Nairne Medical Clinic late last year, we were able to set up an arrangement early this year that sees Dr Lasath consulting and providing full health checks for clients up to two times a week, and Dr Marcus providing mental health assessment and plans for clients weekly, both on site at LTW.

Networking

- Hepatitis SA
- Relationships Australia (RASA)
- Aboriginal Family Support Services (AFSS)
- Nunkuwarrin Yunti
- Centrelink
- Alcohol Anonymous
- Nairne Medical Clinic
- TAFE
- Riverland Aboriginal Men's Support Group (RAMSG)

LTW Client with their artwork





ASG Riverland Team Members

Riverland Report

Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation (ASG) Riverland is based in Berri and provides three core services of Alcohol & Other Drug (AOD) Misuse, Social Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) and Mobile Assistance Patrol (MAP). We contribute assistance including assessment, referrals, case management support and counselling focused on early intervention, prevention and rehabilitation services to the community.

The past twelve months have been exciting and again exceeded our expectations. This is because of a healthy working relationship amongst our staff internally and our perseverance to build solid partnerships with other enthusiastic service providers. This enables us to deliver a quality and precise service to our community members.

Our staff members are encouraged to engage in training to best suit their positions for better client outcomes as well as personal gain. This means that we ensure we have the right people for the right positions to provide an outcome driven focus evidencing, that our priority is to our clients and community members.

We have adhered to and exceeded baselines, and staff have once again shown their broader commitment and drive by going over and above in the delivery of services across the region. Our role in developing stronger and healthier communities has remained a priority and long developed partnerships and shared responsibility are a key focus of

meetings, community events and forums. Our spacious conference room continues to be a popular meeting place for organisations and events, and our community BBQ trailer has been seen at many gatherings.

The purpose of our programs is to improve access for community members to engage in effective, comprehensive primary care services to encourage and support individuals, families and communities to lead a substance free lifestyle. Service flexibility ensures that clients are able to enter and exit services at various points of need. This also includes support, counselling, outreach and referral to other agencies including Lakalinjeri Tumbetin Waal (LTW) our male rehabilitation centre located at Monarto.

Our programs contribute to the delivery of culturally appropriate targeted services with the aim of promoting improved health and wellbeing for community members through a reduction of incidents of substance misuse and staff provide personal and social support to those participating in programs, and works closely with the individual. We liaise with health, welfare and justice systems to achieve improved health and wellbeing.

Mobile Assistance Patrol (MAP) provided transport to community members under the influence of alcohol and other substances, from situational crisis and public places, to places of care safety and support. The main aim of MAP has been:

- Prevention of harm
- Transport to places of safety

Mobile Assistance Patrol (MAP) has been running successfully in the Riverland region since 2004 and over this period of time we have operated a quality service that has been both responsive and flexible to the needs of clients and referring services but under limitations.

Psychology services continue to be delivered two days every fortnight providing a culturally appropriate service for all community members. The development and implementation of in-house psychology service was to address the gaps in psychology services and reduce waitlist times for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population groups. The demand and appeal for the service has seen demand once again exceed our ability to meet need and we are currently negotiating for additional days to meet this need. This service provides a critical service response to both male and female clients of all ages and the response shows that Community holds the psychologist in high regard and the services is well respected and appreciated. It should be noted that this service was sourced through negotiation and is subsidised through Medicare.

Professional development is a core component of effective service delivery and staff were again encouraged and supported to increase knowledge bases to enhance their skill sets. Staff training has included Diploma of Counselling, Diploma of Community Services - AOD and Mental Health & Certificates in Community

Services. Workers are regularly advised of training and short course opportunities and are encouraged and supported by management to attend.

This financial year again saw an increase in incoming referrals as a result of ongoing promotion and networking of our services through the presence of workers at events and engagement in interagency meetings with community organisations.

There has also been an increase for community members wanting to attend our rehabilitation centre, Lakalijeri Tumbetin Waal (LTW) based at Monarto. This is encouraging to see and reiterates the need for services.

While most of our client's needs were met within ASG, some were referred to other agencies for further support and guided through the process with our workers. The addition of Kym Schellen (Psychologist) saw an increase in the number of referrals as has again reinforced the relevance of shared service responses in the achievement of outcomes.

We have continued to work towards our strategic plan including standard operating procedures, risk management, WHS standards, performance reviews & appraisals with staff. There was a continuation in working towards formalised service agreements and documentation to maintain and satisfy accreditation and quality assurance standards.



In order to deliver a more effective service for the future, we ensured that networking between agencies continued to be strong for our staff, clients, community members, and external service providers.

To keep up with the times, we continue to collate and distribute a popular monthly newsletter which is distributed Australia wide. Adding to this we have set up and monitor Facebook, Twitter & LinkedIn. These are all great for promoting our services and showcasing what programs, services and events we have and provide. Our new website is also updated regularly.

Here in the Riverland we always see the future as positive. We continue to grow and are strong advocates for 'doing'. There are many plans and ideas for programs and projects for the future including:

- Securing a female worker to even out our gender imbalance and provide a complimenting mental health service.
- A full time Psychologist to fill demand.
- Extending our outdoor area to enable more room for Men's Group and an outdoor counselling area.
- Establishing a Woman's Group to complement our successful Men's Group.

In the meantime we will continue to provide a comprehensive AOD service for our clients & community and collaborate with engaging organisations to ensure Aboriginal Sobriety Group continues to be the key community services organisation in the Riverland.

NETWORKING

- Aboriginal Family Support Services (AFSS)
- Aboriginal Community Connect
- Aboriginal Health
- Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM)
- Ac Care
- Barmera & Berri Medical Centres
- Berri Community Correctional Centre
- Centacare

- Community Health
- Drug and Alcohol Services South Australia (DASSA)
- Housing SA
- Life without Barriers (LWB)
- NUNK
- OARS
- Relationships Australia (RSA)
- Riverland Mental Health Services
- SAPOL

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Closing the Gap Events
- Drug & Alcohol awareness week
- Gambling Awareness Week
- Mental Health Week
- NAIDOC Week
- Reconciliation Week
- Sober Walk
- White Ribbon Day

RIVERLAND ABORIGINAL MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

The Riverland Aboriginal Men's Support Group was established in 2004. The group meets on a fortnightly basis to address the social & emotional well-being needs of Riverland Aboriginal men aged 16 years and over. The group are not funded and are unable to access their own building so we have offered our premises to the men for as long as required.

Over the years the group has grown and is the only one of its kind in the Riverland region. Activities are generally kept locally and include such things as fishing, art and culture. Other events the group attend regularly are White Ribbon, Reconciliation Week, NAIDOC Week, Drug & Alcohol action week, Mental Health Week and many other events where the men can provide support to the Aboriginal and wider community.

The group currently runs on donations sourced from the ASG Riverland office!



HEALING THROUGH ART

We held a men's painting group titled "Healing through Art" addressing cultural, spiritual and social wellbeing. Participants were encouraged to tell their story through art and express their ideas in a culturally safe environment and to discuss social, cultural and grief and loss issues with access to other supports relating to their wellbeing. It was the hope of ASG to build a strong working relationship with the participants with the dual purpose of addressing personal issues and discussing concerns and issues impacting community. The success of the 'healing through art' activity means that we will endeavour to carry this forward on a regular basis.

Mobile Assistance Patrol

ASG has been providing the transport service, Mobile Assistance Patrol (MAP) since 1975. The South Australian MAP service was a foundational initiator for recognition of the importance and relevance of the service and eventually led to a funded program. Since this time the MAP service has grown and developed into the service it is today, a quality service facilitated by skilled and experienced field officers. MAP is currently funded by SA Health (DASSA) and the Adelaide City Council.

MAP provides a safe transport service for individuals who are under the influence of alcohol and other drugs and at risk of harm or being involved in anti-social behaviour. The additional response provided by this service is a result of 'deaths in custody' and actively diverts people away from engagement with Justice Systems. The service transports from inner-city hotspots and experienced field officers provide advice, support and referrals for people accessing the service.

The objectives of the service are to reduce harm, improve community safety and well-being and maximise the wellbeing of individuals affected by the use of alcohol and other substances.

MAP works closely with and gives priority to:

- South Australia Police sites (including the City Watch House)
- Royal Adelaide Hospital
- Women's and Children's Hospital
- Street to Home
- The HUB
- Other similar community services particularly located in inner Adelaide City.



Challenges to the program will always be the delivery of a service that best supports the emerging needs of the service user. During this period the service worked collaboratively with stakeholders to ensure that service user needs were met and aligned to the dry zone operating across the CBD Parklands areas. This collaboration enabled a coordinated response to reduce the impact on vulnerable and marginalised service users who frequented the inner-city parklands areas. ASG undertook a further review and structured and extended the MAP hours of operation over the summer months to support the needs of service users and key stakeholders alike. The success of the extended hours indicates that this will occur again in the latter part of 2016.

ASG would like to thank the continued support of the funding bodies and inner-city agencies.

Inner City Youth Program

The Inner City Youth program has continued to provide a safe youth transport service to respond to the needs of children and young people who are vulnerable and frequenting the city streets late at night without adult supervision and protection, placing them and others at risk.

Our dedicated and committed staff provide assertive outreach through foot patrol in designated areas of the CBD to encourage young people to take up the service and be transported to a safe place. Transportation pickups are coordinated and delivered from the Multicultural Youth SA (MYSa) HUB based at Miller Arcade on Friday and Saturday nights.

Other stakeholders involved in supporting this initiative and referring young people as a preventive measure are the SAPOL officers working through the Hindley Street Police Station.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank MYSa, SAPOL, and DCSI for the collaboration that is provided, in ensuring we get our young people off our city streets and transported to a safe place. This year has seen a significant number of youth on the streets and I thank our responsive and dedicated team for their continued collaborative approach in delivering this service to our vulnerable youth on the city streets.



Inner City Youth Program Team

ASG Boxing Club

The ASG Boxing Club is a low cost gym and provides fitness and boxing sessions which are facilitated by an experienced and dedicated team of volunteers.

ASG has a fully equipped gym located in our head office at 182-190 Wakefield Street, Adelaide. Full sessions are held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. Female only sessions are also held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

The ASG Boxing Club is a member of the ASG Boxing Club is member of the South Australian Boxing Club and Club members regularly compete at state and national events.



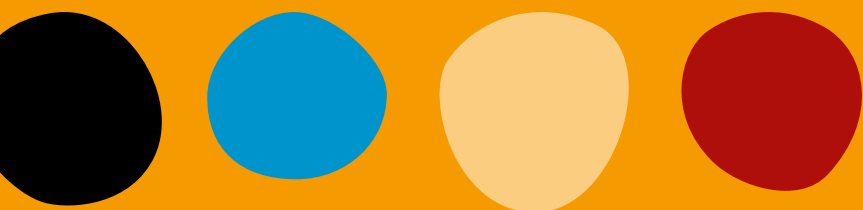


"Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate. Only love can do that."

Martin Luther King Jr







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ABORIGINAL SOBRIETY GROUP INDIGENOUS CORPORATION
STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016

	Note	2016 \$	2015 \$
Revenue			
Grant revenue	2	3,890,238	3,521,089
Other revenues	2	224,085	259,904
Employee benefits expenses		(3,037,876)	(2,703,716)
Goods and Services expenses		(912,142)	(917,838)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	7	<u>(60,753)</u>	<u>(69,749)</u>
Current year surplus (deficit) before income tax		103,552	89,690
Income tax expense		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Current year surplus (deficit)		<u>103,552</u>	<u>89,690</u>
Other comprehensive income for the year		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year		<u>103,552</u>	<u>89,690</u>
Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity		<u>103,552</u>	<u>89,690</u>

ABORIGINAL SOBRIETY GROUP INDIGENOUS CORPORATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2016

	Note	2016 \$	2015 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	520,386	338,911
Accounts receivable and other debtors	4	80,591	148,260
Other current assets	5	12,868	17,971
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		613,845	505,142
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	6	1,273,794	1,295,346
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		1,273,794	1,295,346
TOTAL ASSETS		1,887,639	1,800,488
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and other payables	7	154,484	158,080
Unexpended grants		14,838	42,729
Employee provisions	8	248,437	244,358
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		417,759	445,167
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Employee provisions	8	85,426	74,419
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		85,426	74,419
TOTAL LIABILITIES		503,185	519,586
NET ASSETS		1,384,454	1,280,902
EQUITY			
Retained surplus		1,381,933	1,254,178
Asset replacement reserve	9	2,521	26,724
TOTAL EQUITY		1,384,454	1,280,902

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
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	Retained Surplus \$	Asset Replacement Reserve \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2014	1,179,938	11,274	1,191,212
Comprehensive income			
Net surplus (deficit) for the year	89,690	-	89,690
Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity for the year	1,269,628	11,274	1,280,902
Transfer to (from) Reserve	(15,450)	15,450	-
Balance at 30 June 2015	1,254,178	26,724	1,280,902
Balance at 1 July 2015	1,254,178	26,724	1,280,902
Comprehensive income			
Net surplus (deficit) for the year	103,552	-	103,552
Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity for the year	1,357,730	26,724	1,384,454
Transfer to (from) Reserve	24,203	(24,203)	-
Balance at 30 June 2016	1,381,933	2,521	1,384,454

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
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	Note	2016 \$	2015 \$
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash receipts in the course of operations		4,176,705	3,645,770
Cash payments in the course of operations		(3,961,315)	(3,666,893)
Interest received		5,287	5,099
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		220,677	(16,024)
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for plant and equipment		(39,202)	-
Receipts from disposal of plant and equipment		-	-
Net cash used in investing activities		(39,202)	-
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of Borrowings		-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		-	-
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		181,475	(16,024)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		338,911	354,935
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	3	520,386	338,911

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation applies Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements as set out in AASB 1053: *Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards* and AASB 2010–2: *Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements* and other applicable Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements.

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB), the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006. The association is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, 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. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Accounting Policies

(a) Income Tax

The Corporation is not subject to income tax and therefore no income tax expense or income tax payable is shown in the financial statements.

(b) Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities

The corporation measures some of its assets at fair value on a recurring basis.

Fair value is the price the corporation would receive to sell an asset or would have to pay to transfer a liability in an orderly (ie unforced) transaction between independent, knowledgeable and willing market participants at the measurement date.

As fair value is a market-based measure, the closest equivalent observable market pricing information is used to determine fair value. Adjustments to market values may be made having regard to the characteristics of the specific asset or liability. The fair values of assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined using one or more valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise, to the extent possible, the use of observable market data.

To the extent possible, market information is extracted from either the principal market for the asset or liability (ie the market with the greatest volume and level of activity for the asset or liability) or, in the absence of such a market, the most advantageous market available to the entity at reporting date (ie the market that maximises the receipts from the sale of the asset or minimises the payment made to transfer the liability, after taking into account transaction costs and transport costs).

For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement also takes into account a market participant's ability to use the asset in its highest and best use, or to sell it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The fair value of liabilities and the entity's own equity instruments (excluding those related to share-based payment arrangements) may be valued, where there is no observable market price in relation to the transfer of such financial instrument, by reference to observable market information where such instruments are held as assets. Where this information is not available, other valuation techniques are adopted and, where significant, are detailed in the respective note to the financial statements.

(c) Property, Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis and are therefore carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. In the event the carrying amount of plant and equipment is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, the carrying amount is written down immediately to its estimated recoverable amount and impairment losses recognised either in profit or loss or as a revaluation decrease if the impairment losses relate to a revalued asset. A formal assessment of recoverable amount is made when impairment indicators are present (refer to Note 1(g) for details of impairment).

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The cost of fixed assets constructed within the association includes the cost of materials, direct labour, borrowing costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are recognised as expenses in profit or loss during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets, including buildings and capitalised lease assets, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable asset are:

Buildings	2.5%
Motor Vehicles	15%
Plant and Equipment	14% - 50%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing net proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they occur. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation relating to that asset are transferred to retained surplus.

(d) Leases

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset (but not the legal ownership) are transferred to the association, are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised by recognising an asset and a liability at the lower of the amount equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives where it is likely that the Association will obtain ownership of the asset or ownership over the term of the lease.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are recognised as expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Lease Incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

(e) Financial Instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the corporation commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (ie trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss' in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at either fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or cost.

Amortised cost is calculated as the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition less principal repayments and any reduction for impairment, and adjusted for any cumulative amortisation of the difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount calculated using the *effective interest method*.

The *effective interest method* is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying amount with a consequential recognition of an income or expense item in profit or loss.

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(i) *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets are classified at "fair value through profit or loss" when they are held for trading for the purpose of short-term profit taking, derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying amount being included in profit or loss.

(ii) *Loans and Receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss through the amortisation process and when the financial asset is derecognised.

(iii) *Held-to-maturity investments*

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the association's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss through the amortisation process and when the financial asset is derecognised.

(iv) *Available-for-sale investments*

Available-for-sale investments are non-derivative financial assets that are either not capable of being classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

They are subsequently measured at fair value with any remeasurements other than impairment losses and foreign exchange gains and losses recognised in other comprehensive income. When the financial asset is derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss pertaining to that asset previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified into profit or loss.

Available-for-sale financial assets are classified as non-current assets when they are not expected to be sold within 12 months after the end of the reporting period. All other available-for-sale financial assets are classified as current assets.

(v) *Financial Liabilities*

Non-derivative financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost. Gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss through the amortisation process and when the financial liability is derecognised.

Impairment

A financial asset (or a group of financial assets) is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events (a "loss event") having occurred, which has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset(s).

In the case of available-for-sale financial assets, a significant or prolonged decline in the market value of the instrument is considered to constitute a loss event. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss immediately. Also, any cumulative decline in fair value previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified into profit or loss at this point.

In the case of financial assets carried at amortised cost, loss events may include: indications that the debtors or a group of debtors are experiencing significant financial difficulty, default or delinquency in interest or principal payments; indications that they will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; and changes in arrears or economic conditions that correlate with defaults.

When the terms of financial assets that would otherwise have been past due or impaired have been renegotiated, the association recognises the impairment for such financial assets by taking into account the original terms as if the terms have not been renegotiated so that the loss events that have occurred are duly considered.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual right to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised when the related obligations are discharged or cancelled, or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

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(f) **Impairment of Assets**

At the end of each reporting period, the corporation assesses whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount in accordance with another Standard (eg in accordance with the revaluation model in AASB 116). Any impairment loss of a revalued asset is treated as a revaluation decrease in accordance with that other Standard.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the corporation estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Where the future economic benefits of the asset are not primarily dependent upon the asset's ability to generate net cash inflows and when the entity would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits, value in use is determined as the depreciated replacement cost of an asset.

Where an impairment loss on a revalued asset is identified, this is recognised against the revaluation surplus in respect of the same class of asset to the extent that the impairment loss does not exceed the amount in the revaluation surplus for that class of asset.

(g) **Employee Provisions**

Short-term employee benefits

Provision is made for the association's obligation for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.

The association's obligations for short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and sick leave are recognised as a part of current trade and other payables in the statement of financial position.

Other long-term employee benefits

Provision is made for employees' annual leave entitlements not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. Other long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures, and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Any remeasurements of obligations for other long-term employee benefits for changes in assumptions are recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the changes occur.

The corporation's obligations for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current provisions in its statement of financial position, except where the association does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the reporting date, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

(h) **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

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

(i) **Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors**

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from customers for goods sold in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Accounts receivable are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment. Refer to Note 1(f) for further discussion on the determination of impairment losses.

(j) **Revenue and Other Income**

Non-reciprocal grant revenue is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income when the corporation obtains control of the grant and it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the corporation and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

If conditions are attached to the grant which must be satisfied before it is eligible to receive the contribution, the recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

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When grant revenue is received whereby the association incurs an obligation to deliver economic value directly back to the contributor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction and the grant revenue is recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until the service has been delivered to the contributor, otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

The corporation receives non-reciprocal contributions of assets from the government and other parties for zero or a nominal value. These assets are recognised at fair value on the date of acquisition in the statement of financial position, with a corresponding amount of income recognised in profit or loss.

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers.

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

(k) Borrowing Costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to prepare for their intended use or sale are added to the cost of those assets, until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

All other borrowing costs are recognised as expenses in the period in which they are incurred.

(l) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

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

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

(m) Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards or for improved presentation of the financial report, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(n) Accounts Payable and Other Payables

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

(o) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

NOTE 2: REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME

	2016 \$	2015 \$
Grant Revenue:		
State & Federal Government Grant Revenue	3,890,238	3,521,089
Total Grant Revenue	3,890,238	3,521,089
Other Revenue:		
Interest	5,287	5,099
Rent received	169,591	217,725
Other	49,207	37,080
Total Other Revenue	224,085	259,904
TOTAL REVENUE	4,114,323	3,780,993

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NOTE 3 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT ASSETS	Note	2016	2015
		\$	\$
Cash at bank		520,177	338,411
Cash on hand		209	500
		<u>520,386</u>	<u>338,911</u>
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:			
Cash and cash equivalents		<u>520,386</u>	<u>338,911</u>
NOTE 4 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND OTHER DEBTORS		2016	2015
		\$	\$
Accounts receivable and other debtors		97,741	157,512
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debts		<u>17,150</u>	<u>9,252</u>
		<u>80,591</u>	<u>148,260</u>
Financial assets classified as loans and receivables			
Accounts receivable and other debtors			
- total current		<u>80,591</u>	<u>148,260</u>
NOTE 5 - OTHER CURRENT ASSETS		2016	2015
		\$	\$
Prepayments		<u>12,868</u>	<u>17,971</u>
		<u>12,868</u>	<u>17,971</u>
NOTE 6 - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		2016	2015
		\$	\$
Property, plant & equipment:			
Land & buildings - at cost		1,236,940	1,236,940
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		<u>181,265</u>	<u>155,171</u>
		<u>1,055,675</u>	<u>1,081,769</u>
Plant and equipment at cost		206,353	206,348
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		<u>192,614</u>	<u>179,723</u>
		<u>13,739</u>	<u>26,625</u>
Motor Vehicle at cost		282,861	243,658
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		<u>189,533</u>	<u>172,716</u>
		<u>93,328</u>	<u>70,942</u>
Leasehold improvements at cost		161,052	161,052
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		<u>50,000</u>	<u>45,042</u>
		<u>111,052</u>	<u>116,010</u>
Total Property, Plant & Equipment		<u>1,273,794</u>	<u>1,295,346</u>
Movements in carrying amounts			
Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:			

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	Land & Buildings \$	Leashold Improvements \$	Plant & Equipment \$	Motor Vehicles \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2015	1,081,768	116,010	26,625	70,942	1,295,345
Additions	-	-	-	39,202	39,202
Disposals at book value	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation expense	(26,094)	(4,958)	(12,886)	(16,815)	(60,753)
CARRYING AMOUNT AT 30 JUNE 2016	1,055,674	111,052	13,739	93,329	1,273,794

NOTE 7 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Current		
Unsecured liabilities:		
Accounts payable	25,127	47,202
Accrued expenses & clearing accounts	57,642	38,739
GST payable	71,715	72,139
	<u>154,484</u>	<u>158,080</u>
Accounts payable and other payables:		
- total current	154,484	158,080
- total non-current	-	-
	<u>154,484</u>	<u>158,080</u>
Less Accrued expenses & clearing accounts	<u>57,642</u>	<u>38,739</u>
Financial liabilities as accounts payable & other payables	<u>96,842</u>	<u>119,341</u>

Collateral Pledged

No collateral has been pledged for any of the accounts payable and other payable balances.

NOTE 8 - EMPLOYEE PROVISIONS

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Current		
Provision for annual leave entitlements	199,243	220,759
Provision for long service leave entitlements	49,194	23,599
	<u>248,437</u>	<u>244,358</u>
Non-current		
Provision for long service leave entitlements	<u>85,426</u>	<u>74,419</u>
	<u>85,426</u>	<u>74,419</u>

Provisions include amounts accrued for annual leave. Based on past experience, the association expects the full amount of the annual leave balance to be settled within the next 12 months. Further these amounts must be classified as current liabilities since the Corporation does not have an unconditional right to defer the settlement of these amounts in the event employees wish to use their leave entitlements.

NOTE 9 - RESERVES

Asset replacement reserve

The asset replacement reserve represents funds set aside for future replacement of motor vehicles.

NOTE 10 - LEASE LIABILITIES

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Operating Lease Commitments		
Motor Vehicles	<u>201,183</u>	<u>244,757</u>
Total Operating Lease Commitments	<u>201,183</u>	<u>244,757</u>

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Operating Lease Commitments are payable:

- not later than 1 year	102,944	118,792
- later than 1 year but not later than 5 years	98,239	125,965

Total Operating Lease Commitments

201,183	244,757
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Operating Lease commitments are shown at GST inclusive values.

NOTE 11 - RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Board of Management

No member of the Board received remuneration from the Corporation in their capacity as member. No other entity that the above members are associated with has received funds other than through dealings with the Corporation in the ordinary course of business and on normal commercial terms and conditions.

	2016 \$	2015 \$
Key Management Personnel Compensation		
Short Term Benefit	127,452	105,353
Post Employment Benefit	9,975	9,975
Total Compensation	137,427	115,328

NOTE 12 - AUDITOR REMUNERATION

Auditor Remuneration

Audit services	12,552	16,462
Non-audit services	400	400
	12,952	16,862

NOTE 13 - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Corporation is dependent on funding from the State and Federal Government to maintain its operations.

NOTE 14 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2016.

NOTE 15 - FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Corporation's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, accounts payable and receivable. The Association does not have any derivative financial instruments as at 30 June 2016.

The carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB139: Financial Instrument: Recognition and measurement are detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows:

	2016 \$	2015 \$
Financial assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	520,386	338,911
Accounts receivable and other debtors	80,591	148,260
Total financial assets	600,977	487,171
Financial Liabilities		
Financial liabilities at amortised costs		
- accounts payable and other payables	154,484	158,080
Total financial liabilities	154,484	158,080

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NOTE 16 - CORPORATION DETAILS

The principal place of business for the Corporation is :

Aboriginal Sobriety Group Incorporated
182-190 Wakefield Street, Adelaide SA 5000

NOTE 17 - EVENTS AFTER THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

There have been no material events after the reporting date that have not been recognised in the financial report.



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STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 13:

- 1 Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation as at 30 June 2016 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006.

- 2 At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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


Committee Member


Committee Member

Dated this 29th day of September 2016

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ABORIGINAL SOBRIETY GROUP INDIGENOUS CORPORATION

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation (the corporation), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2016, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by the members of the committee.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the corporation is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements, the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 and for such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the corporation's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control.

An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
ABORIGINAL SOBRIETY GROUP INDIGENOUS CORPORATION**

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation is in accordance with Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the Associations Incorporation Act 1985 including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the corporation's financial position as at 30 June 2016 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date; 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 and the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006



Trevor Basso - Partner

Basso Newman & Co

Chartered Accountants

Adelaide

Dated this 30th day of September 2016

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ABORIGINAL SOBRIETY GROUP INDIGENOUS CORPORATION

COMPILATION REPORT

TO ABORIGINAL SOBRIETY GROUP INDIGENOUS CORPORATION



Scope

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statement of Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation which comprises the Income and Expenditure Statement.

The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statement has been prepared is to provide information relating to the performance of the entity that satisfies the information needs of the committee.

The Responsibility of the Committee for the financial report

The committee is solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statement and has determined that the basis of accounting is appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose that the financial statement was prepared.

Our responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the committee we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statement in accordance with the basis of accounting adopted and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

Our procedures used accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information, which the committee provided, into compiling the financial statement. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

The special purpose financial report was compiled exclusively for the benefit of the committee. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial statement.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T A Basso'.

T A Basso - Partner
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Aboriginal Sobriety Group Artwork

Ian Sansbury is the current Program Manager for Homelessness Programs and kindly donated his time and skills to create this artwork for ASG which represents the healing pathways that ASG provides.

THE PAINTING IS SPLIT UP INTO 3 PARTS AND REPRESENTS PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE.

The first section represents clients walking alone through life with no direction/purpose. As you can see the footprints walk alone and the painting has little life to it.

The second section represents clients coming into the Aboriginal Sobriety Group and throughout this time ASG workers supporting the clients.

The third section represents clients going back into the community stronger/educated/drug free etc. and helping others to overcome the struggles and hopelessness. As you can see in the third section the footprints are bigger and the picture is brighter and more colourful. By clients coming into our service they move onto a better life and become Strong Aboriginal men and women of the community. This transition would not have been possible without the hard work ASG workers do on a daily basis.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, ORGANISATIONS AND SPONSORS FOR THEIR SUPPORT:

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ABORIGINAL LEGAL RIGHTS MOVEMENT SOUTH AUSTRALIA
AC CARE RIVERLAND
ADELAIDE CITY COUNCIL
BAPTIST CARE SA
COUNTRY HEALTH SA PRIMARY HEALTH NETWORK
DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES AND SOCIAL INCLUSION
DEPARTMENT FOR CORRECTIONAL SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET
DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES SA
EMPATHY NOT SYMPATHY
HEPATITIS SA
MULTICULTURAL YOUTH SOUTH AUSTRALIA
NAIRNE MEDICAL CENTRE
NUNKUWARRIN YUNTI INC.
RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA
RIVERLAND ABORIGINAL MENS SUPPORT GROUP
SA HEALTH
TAFE SA
UNITING COMMUNITIES

Open letter from the Chairperson, Gary Paynter

The following are the words of a young man who has been working in a difficult environment. He has been standing up determined to alleviate violence, in particular family violence in the Aboriginal community & homes. In my opinion he knows firsthand, the difficulty and obstacles in the way of progress for Aboriginal people, and he echoes the thoughts of so many younger individuals without a voice to be heard.

"So many places that we as Indigenous Australians have gone wrong. I won't name them all for the sake of not wanting myself to be public enemy number 1, but we as a people need to change our way of thinking. We're raised to always be on the defensive and have our guard up for so long that it has become second nature to act out when we don't like a situation we're faced with.

We've been weak and damaged for so long that our own people prey on that weakness and assert themselves as our leaders without leading us truly. Or leading us in that same aggressive manner we've now built into our culture. Some do this consciously while others are so set in that way of thinking that they see themselves as doing the right thing. And I'm not saying they are wrong, I'm just saying that we cannot fight fire with fire forever, as we'll burn everything to the ground. We're not accepting of forward-thinking, progressive Indigenous people that want nothing more than change for the better for all of us but are shot down at every turn by our "leaders". The same leaders we follow because we're now comfortable with that old warrior-like mentality.

When I speak of leaders, we don't need a media personality, sports star or politician to change us as a people. We don't need them to get the conversations started. We should start them ourselves in our living rooms. We should have the tough conversations. I don't know what leader every Aboriginal wants but I most certainly don't want one that would rather bring another Aboriginal down rather than try to understand their point of view. We all come with our own views and thoughts but we should share one view, and that is that we all need to change together.

I'd like to think I am blessed for the forums I participate in with so many great Indigenous pioneers, leaders and elders. But I feel like I see us stuck in the past with an old way of thinking that has not worked and are having the same conversations that were probably had for 30 years. I am choosing not to go further into that thought because I feel I may be too progressive myself and would be deemed an outsider or worse. I feel like we did not celebrate our successes of the past and look forward to the future and think how we can achieve more. I feel like we don't make ourselves accountable for some things that only we can change ourselves, without government funding or programs.

There is no real nurturing of our youth to succeed. There is a common theme from our leaders that we should be encouraging the younger generation to step up. But at the end of the day these are just buzz words that give them a warm fuzzy feeling as if they truly care. The next generation is coming through with what really should be a different way of thinking. I hope a more positive way of thinking. These people leading us now want the next generation to dance to their tune and if they do, then this kid is the potential leader. When a youngster does not dance to their tune? He/she is pushed away and so begins the lateral violence and whatever else they can throw to keep this person down. You can't upset the establishment. Never. We're too comfortable with the current way we think and act and we're no different to the majority of human kind - we don't like change.

My uncle, by no means a philosophical man, said to me one day that he sees himself still keeping his culture alive by working to earn and provide for his family. As he put it, he is still the hunter-gatherer, but now the game has changed. He no longer hunts animals and material to eat and build shelter, he works to hunt money and buy his family food and a house.

If we can be blessed enough to keep what's left of our culture alive, we can also do what we did best; - adapt. We did what we had to, to survive. If we can relate things we should be doing now to our ancient way of life, we will remain the oldest living culture in the world well into the future and have a past and a present we can be proud of.

Because to be honest, I am proud to be Aboriginal simply because of who we were and how we lived and survived. I am not proud of what we have let our people become now.

We and only we can change us."

Jacob Hunt, 2016

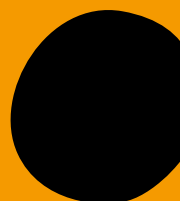
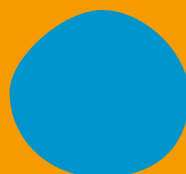
Chairperson at Indigenous Family Violence Regional Action Group - Northern Loddon Mallee and Men's Behavioural Change Program, Mildura & Young Male's Journey Program Worker, Swan Hill at Dardi Munwurro: Strong Spirit

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ABBREVIATIONS

AHCSA	Aboriginal Health Council of SA Inc.
AKH	Annie Koolmatrie House
APHCAP	Aboriginal Primary Health Care Access Program
APOSS	Aboriginal Prisoners and Offenders Support Service
ASG	Aboriginal Sobriety Group Inc.
BTH	Bringing Them Home
CLH	Cyril Lindsay House
COAG	Council of Australian Governments
DASSA	Drug and Alcohol Services South Australia
H&FC	Health and Fitness Centre
IT	Information Technology
LTW	Lakalinjeri Tumbetin Waal
MAP	Mobile Assistance Patrol
NACCHO	National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation
NAIDOC	National Aboriginal Islander Day Observance Committee
QIC	Quality Improvement Council
RRG	Riverland Reference Group
SAPOL	South Australian Police
SMT	Substance Misuse Team





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