ANNUAL REPORT 2018

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2017–2018 IN A NUTSHELL

LCLC's New format for its Annual Report

LCLC is progressing towards the idea that organisational decisions should consider the social impact that the organisation's activities have on society. Like many other community organisations, the LCLC has moved from simple 'out-puts' measurement to 'out-comes' measurement. The LCLC is committed to assessing the importance, effect and overall value of the service it provides.

LCLC's Financial Overview

LCLC is still in a positive financial position, even though a difficult decision had to be made by the Board of Management to reduce LCLC's operating hours to only four days per week in the first part of the 2017-2018 financial year. However, with the re-funding of the Legal Literacy Volunteer program, LCLC's normal operating hours resumed in January 2018 and normal operating hours will continue in 2018-2019.

LCLC's Operational Overview

LCLC continues to provide free legal assistance to many Tasmanians. Over the past six years,16% of the Launceston population has been helped by LCLC. With the move towards outcomes measurement LCLC has engaged with, and received feedback from clients, volunteers and community partners to evaluate and inform its provision of free legal services. To find out what was said take a look at LCLCs Operational Summary.

"Over the past six years 16% of the Launceston population has been helped by LCLC"

With the new National Partnership Agreement due in 2021, the State Government has been conducting a review of the free legal assistance sector. This will no doubt have a massive impact on LCLC's service provision into the future. But we are convinced that the solid work done by all the volunteers and staff at LCLC will be recognised and LCLC will go from strength to strength.

Nicky Snare - CEO July 2018

OPERATIONAL SUMMARY

Launceston Community Legal Centre (LCLC) provides free legal advice to the most vulnerable people in the community. All LCLC funding is provided by the Department of Justice under the National Partnership Agreement (NPA) and is a combination of both Commonwealth and State funding. We are what is known as a "Generalist" Community Legal Centre and so assist the community across a range of matters. Each solicitor, although concentrating in a particular area of law, also assists with general civil law work and family law work as required. The implementation of the NPA by the Federal Government provides strict guidelines as to certain "priority clients" and so its frontline service is steered towards those on a low income or those who are disadvantaged in some way. LCLC is working towards impact measurement, with this in mind LCLC gathered reviews of service provision via a combination of surveys and feedback requests from clients, LCLC volunteers and community organisations during 2017-2018.



Figure #1

As demonstrated in Figure #1, LCLC continues to maintain its client numbers and associated cost per client. As mentioned previously, the Board of Management made the decision to reduce LCLCs operating hours to only four days per week in the first part of the 2017-2018 financial year. However, with the re-funding of the Legal Literacy Volunteer program, LCLC's normal operating hours resumed in January 2018. Turn-Away data has also remained consistent. LCLC turns away an average of four people per day as a result of the LCLC not being able to provide assistance within the time needed by the client. In this situation clients are provided with other referrals as appropriate.

A breakdown of costs as indicated in Figure #2 and Figure #3 demonstrates 76% of LCLC costs are wage related with frontline staff wages being 53% of total LCLC costs.

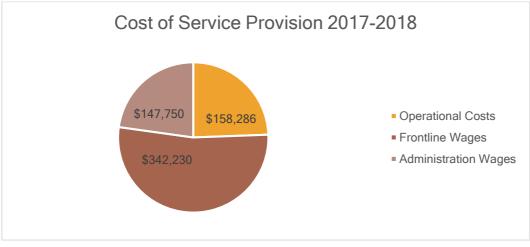


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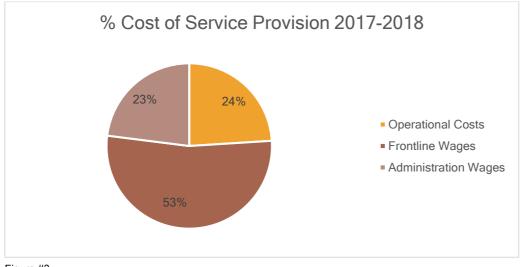


Figure #3

The Generalist Service provides 45minute, one-off legal advices on any civil matter, which can include but is not limited to such matters as wills, power of attorney, debt, contract, consumer rights, boundary fences and restraint orders. We also provide guidance to clients who wish to self-litigate.

The Welfare Rights Service provides advice, information and merit-based representation in matters relating to Centrelink. Residents of the North of Tasmania may be represented at the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.



The Disability Discrimination Service provides a statewide service. The program also provides assistance through the Federal jurisdiction at the Australian Human Rights Commission.

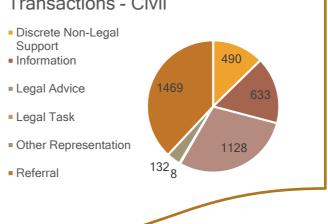
The Employment Service is a dedicated service that provides assistance, advice and representation in a wide range of employment law areas, including unfair dismissal, adverse action, disputes in relation to pay entitlements and superannuation, bullying, harassment and discrimination in the workplace.

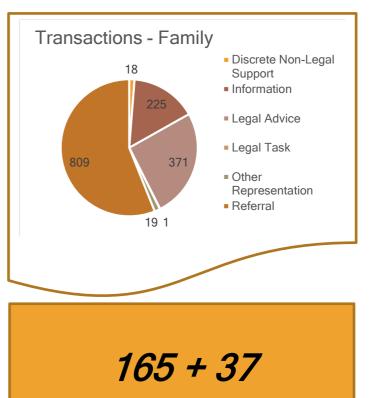
The Family Service continues to offer legal assistance and support in the separation process in an attempt to reduce the number of matters that need to go before the courts. Our family law practice is focused on parenting provisions, but we also offer limited advice on divorce and property settlement procedures.

The Legal Literacy Volunteer Program (LLV) continues to play an important part in allowing LCLC to assist many Tasmanians. The program is funded by Solicitors' Guarantee Fund the in Tasmania and aims to improve document literacy problem solving and in provide communities and trained volunteers who work through a client's issues before they escalate. The program arms lay volunteers with basic knowledge about the law and legal system, and the proper role of a legal intermediary or advocate in the community.

The After Hours Drop In Clinic, staffed by volunteer private practice solicitors, is open every Wednesday evening from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Since its inception these solicitors have assisted many people who are unable to attend during normal working hours. This service is NOT means or asset tested. We are mindful of the time and commitment provided and take this opportunity to thank them for their continued support.

21% of our Clients are aged over 65 years **Transactions - Civil** Support 490 1469





the employment service provided both advice & representation

Cooperation/Collaboration 2017-2018 has once more been a key feature of LCLC services. In addition to CLEs, LCLC is currently collaborating with Palliative Care Tasmania and DHS - Centrelink in presenting information days ("Life is Short: Be Prepared") to people in Northern Tasmania. With an ageing population in Tasmania, people are often faced with unique issues and decisions. It is the view of LCLC that a major barrier in seeking assistance and support is the lack of knowledge of people's rights, how to stand up for those rights and what and where they can find suitable support.



of clients agreed it was easy to contact LCLC & we listened to them

Outreach Services are provided to various locations across the North of Tasmania. A schedule of locations is available on our website at <u>www.lclc.net.au</u>. Venues are as follows:

- Beaconsfield
- Campbell Town
- Deloraine
- George Town
- Scottsdale
- St Helens
- Launceston Centrelink (LLV only)
- LINC Launceston (LLV only)
- Launceston General Hospital Palliative Care (as requested)
- Calvary Hospital Launceston Palliative Care (as requested)



HOURS OF OPERATION

The LCLC operates during the hours of:

8:30am to 4:30pm Monday to Thursday Friday - 8:30am to 1:30pm Staff are available during these hours by appointment only. (LCLC is closed for lunch from 1:00pm to 1:30pm Monday to Thursday) AFTER HOURS DROP IN CLINIC No appointments necessary - First come - First served basis Wednesday evenings from 5:30pm to 7:00pm



Our Vision:

To promote social justice by improving access to the legal system

Our Mission:

The Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc. (LCLC) will provide free legal support, education, information and advice to all persons and communities in need

LCLC BOARD OF MANAGEMENT & STAFF

Name	Board	Staff
Natalie Heiniger	Chairperson	
Heather Beaumont	Deputy Chairperson	
Peter Wierenga	Treasurer/Public Officer	
Nick Terracall	Secretary	
Stuart Roberts	Member	
Maree Stainlay	Member	
Garry Rafferty	Member	
Philip Doyle	Member	
Nicky Snare		Chief Executive Officer
Jess Downie		Principal Solicitor
Sarah House		Solicitor
Ryan West*		Solicitor
Elise Whitmore		Solicitor
Emma Smith		Welfare Rights Advocate
Amelia Baker		Solicitor
Moya House		Reception/Data entry
Beylara Ra		LLV Co-Ordinator

* Ryan West is currently volunteering overseas and is on extended leave until May 2019.



OUR CLIENTS TOLD US....

LCLC clients say......

"Without LCLC I would have continued down the path of frustration and ill health due to lack of understanding of the process"

> LCLC Clients say...... "Thank goodness for outreach as with no transport it's a real barrier if you can't get to town"

LCLC Clients say.....

"I would have lost my job - This was my only chance to get help. There was no-one else who could have helped"

OUR VOLUNTEERS TOLD US.....

LCLC Volunteers say.....

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"As a volunteer and a landlord, it's been good to learn more about rights and responsibilities for both landlord and tenant from an unbiased organisation who wants everyone to get fair treatment"

LCLC Volunteers say.....

"I have more confidence - Most clients I have assisted are so grateful for having someone help them wade through the paperwork"

LCLC Volunteers say.....

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Social Security Benen Application Form "Volunteering for LCLC has had a tremendous influence on me. The training we have received is excellent because it's very practical, easy to digest and is offered nowhere else"

LCLC would not be able to provide our current level of assistance if it were not for the dedication of its volunteer workforce.

THANK YOU!

132 hours

service provided by our volunteer local private lawyers

17,280 hours

service provided by our 60+ Legal Literacy Volunteers

The LCLC operates a weekly, free drop-in Clinic every Wednesday from its York Street office. The Clinic is managed by the LCLC but staffed by volunteer solicitors and law students. The Clinic is one of the last non-means tested free legal services in Launceston. Since its inception in 2014 the Clinic has become a staple legal service in Launceston with over 800 clients assisted.

Aside from assisting the community, the Clinic also provides wonderful exposure to solicitors from the private profession to many and varied legal issues which they may not otherwise encounter, and vulnerable members of the Northern Tasmanian community. For students it provides a glimpse into the practical, real-life of a solicitor working in Launceston. The exceptional benefit of the Clinic is demonstrated in Sophie's story.

*Total hours are an approximation only

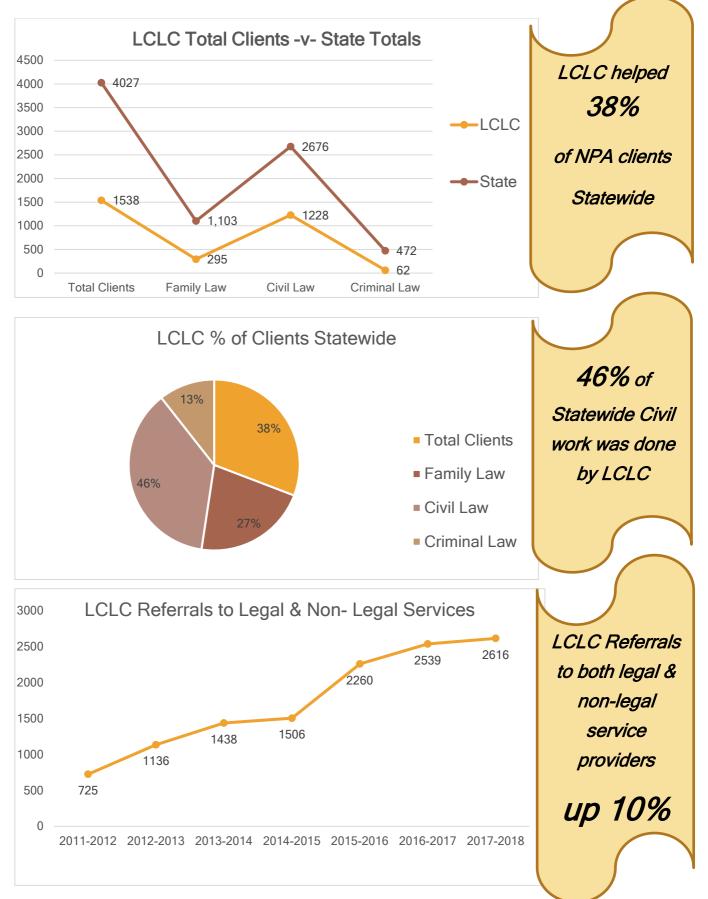
OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS TOLD US.....

LCLC Community Partners say..... "We value the assistance LCLC provides to our community"

LCLC Community Partners say.....

"The referral agreement we have with LCLC is two-way, whereby they refer to us clients who indicate that they would like to undertake a literacy journey"

LCLC Community Partners say..... "We would be devastated if we were to lose the Legal Literacy Volunteer program"



*Statewide figures are NPA funds only. Figures provided by Department of Justice - August 2018.

OUR CLIENT'S STORIES....

Sophie's Story



Sophie attended LCLCs After Hours Drop-In Clinic to seek assistance about how to respond to a letter she had received from the Department of Justice (DOJ) regarding her Working With Vulnerable Peoples Card. Sophie was required to have a current Card in order to retain employment.

The DOJ had requested further information from Sophie before making a decision about whether to grant the Card, she did not know how to respond, and the 14 days in which to send a response had expired. She did not have adequate literacy skills to put together a letter herself and did not have access to a computer or email address.

The volunteer lawyer at clinic wrote an email to the DOJ on Sophie's behalf that evening, explaining that while Sophie was currently not being legally represented, she was obtaining legal advice and would respond shortly. The lawyer advised her on the application process and provided dot-points for what her response needed to cover.

Sophie was then booked in for the earliest available Legal Literacy Volunteer appointment, and a LLV volunteer assisted Sophie in drafting a letter based on the advice she had received from the lawyer at clinic.

Sophie dropped into the LCLC office a few weeks later to thank LCLC for our assistance, as her response had been accepted out of time, and the new Card had been granted.

Fred's Story

Fred is a part-time tradesperson, living with a disability, who uses a customised van during the course of his work. While driving Fred was rear-ended by another vehicle, and his van was written-off. Fred was not insured. The other driver was insured. The other driver's insurance company offered Fred a valuation for his vehicle well-below what it was worth. Fred attended the LCLC for legal assistance, after the insurance company refused to alter their offer of settlement.

LCLC entered into negotiations on behalf of Fred with the insurance company. An agreement was reached in which Fred was paid what he believed was the appropriate value for his vehicle. Fred was able to buy a replacement vehicle and continue work in his trade.



Sally's Story

Sally had numerous and ongoing issues with her landlord.



These disputes had extended over a period of years, and included allegations of unpaid rent, damage to property, and eventually an intention by the landlord to terminate the lease because Sally was pregnant. Each time, Sally would seek advice from the LCLC, and obtain

assistance in negotiating with the Landlord. Negotiations were often successful and resulted in Sally being able to retain her rental accommodation and preserve the ongoing tenant-landlord relationship. These negotiations included asserting Sally's legal rights. and suggesting alternative courses of action, with an intent to avoid more litigious proceedings. Sally eventually decided to leave of her own accord, to enter the private rental market. Upon leaving her housing with the landlord, the LCLC negotiated a deed of release, which was agreed to and signed by all parties, to resolve any and all outstanding legal issues between the parties. Sally spoke English as a second language, was a new Australian, and struggled to negotiate these matters without assistance. It is very likely that without the assistance of the LCLC when these issues arose, Sally would have at some point found herself homeless.

WHAT ELSE HAPPENED....

LCLC Solicitor Volunteering Overseas in Kiribati



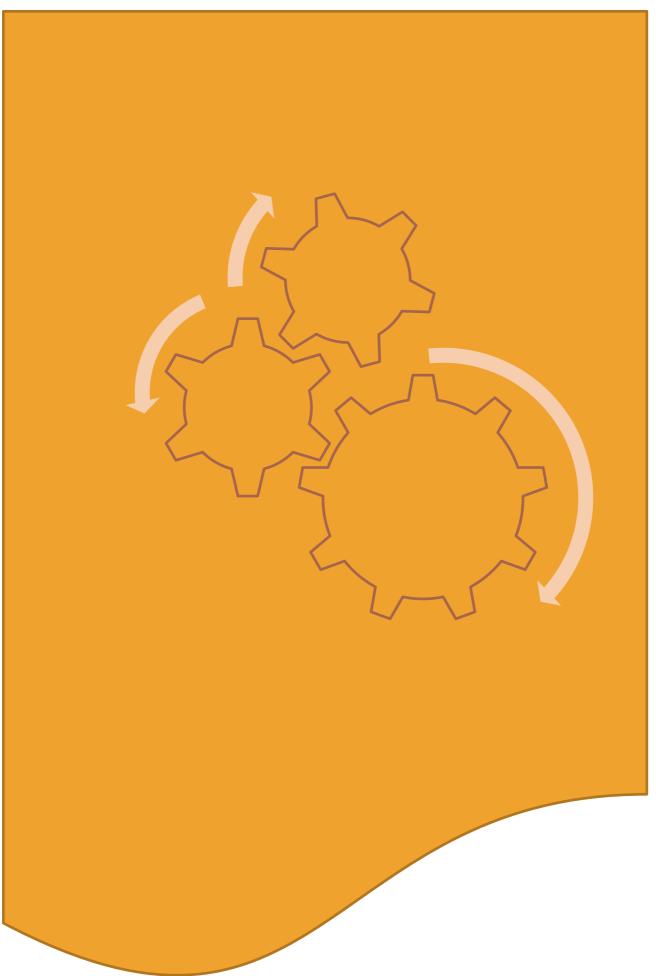
Ryan West is currently volunteering in Kiribati for twelve months! This is an amazing opportunity to work in a truly unique environment. Ryan has promised photos, including one of him wearing traditional dress (a weekly event apparently) so that's something to look forward to in our Annual Report next year!



NACLC Canberra Conference

A NACLC conference is always beneficial for those attending. However, in Canberra some of the LCLC crew were coerced into singing, dancing and general silliness! Emma Smith (far left), Nicky Snare (second left) and Sarah House (far right) were asked to join the NACLC Accreditation team in presenting an "all singing and dancing" presentation to a medley of Rock classics all in an effort to explain the wonders of the accreditation program..... Yes the mind boggles!

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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Compilation Report

Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc For the year ended 30 June 2018

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc, which comprise the balance sheet as at 30 June 2018, the profit and loss for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is set out in Note 1.

1. Board of Management's Responsibility

The Board of Management of Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements and have determined that the significant accounting policies adopted as set out in Note 1 to the financial statements are appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose that the financial statements were prepared.

2. Declaration

On the basis of information provided by the Board of Management of Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc, we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the significant accounting policies adopted as set out in Note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information, which the directors provided, in compiling the financial statements. 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 statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the Board of Management of Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.

Level 1, 97A York Street, Launceston, Tasmania 7250

LAUNCESTON COMMUNITY LEGAL CENTRE INC.

Signed: re

Date: 24 7 18

Nicky Snare Chief Executive Officer

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Board of Management Declaration

Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc For the year ended 30 June 2018

Board of Management Declaration

The Board of Management have determined that the company is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The Board of Management of the company declare that: 1. the financial statements and notes, as set out herein present fairly the company's financial position as at 30 June 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and

2. in the Board of Management's' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Management: Treasurer: Peter Wierenga

Dated this day of DLY 2018

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Statement of Comprehensive Income

Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc For the 12 months ended 30 June 2018

	Jun-18	Jun-1
Income		
Association memberships	190	20
Cash Common Fund Interest	1,916	2.11
Conference Subsidies	1,235	
Donations	410	33
Fee for Service - PII Representative Subsidy	2,000	3,000
Investment Interest	2,819	5,46
Legal Literacy - Balance of Brought Forward Funds	2,013	39,330
NPA Funds - Commonwealth Contribution	325,063	425,526
NPA Funds - State Contribution	194,893	423,320
SGF - LLV - Jan 2017 to Dec 2017	77,500	77,500
Sol Guarantee Fund 2015-2016	77,500	111,674
Solicitor Guarantee Fund Jan - Dec 2018	77,000	111,074
Tenancy Kits	105	95
Tenants' Union Advocacy Servic	13.973	16,820
Working Account Interest	109	73
Total Income	697,213	682,127
Gross Profit	697,213	682,127
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Plus Other Income		
TasCOSS Welfare Rights Subsidy Total Other Income		6,000
	-	6,000
Less Operating Expenses		
Accounting Fees	361	1,032
Advertising	80	
Affiliation Levies		3,889
AGM Costs	853	616
Archive Costs	1,266	806
Audit Fees	-	700
Bank Fees	82	113
Business Insurance	1,539	1,815
Car Insurance	678	646
Car Repairs/Maintenance	508	1,190
Catering	2,910	1,942
CLASS - Software	2,559	3,177
Cleaning	3,039	3,101
Computer Equipment	7,905	
Computer Support	10,280	7,112
Conference	5,275	2,759
Depreciation		1,063
Electricity	3,700	3,949
Functions	1,409	528

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General Travel	Jun-18	Jun-1
Internet	7,621	4,649
Interpreting Services	1,410	1,190
IT & Software	1,120	579
Kitchen Supplies	834	358
Marketing & Promotion	1,002	1,076
Memberships	2,617	5,726
Mgmt Committee	4,592	1,636
Minor Equipment		201
Mobile	773	
Office Equipment Lease (xerox)	203	162
Office Equipment Lease (xerox)	3,910	3,685
Parking	396	0.000
Petrol	1,678	1,569
PII	1,969	1,289
	465	566
Postage & Freight	892	1,210
Practicing Certs	478	550
Printing	4,749	9,561
Registration	267	-
Rent - 97A York St	21,248	20,841
Repairs & Maintenance	1,551	632
Security	1,002	354
Staff Recruitment	1,623	-
Stationery	1,695	1,925
Subscriptions	5 4 2	56
Superannuation - Guarantee Contribution	45,406	52,537
Telephone	4,735	5,495
Text		131
Training - General	2,205	2,303
Volunteer Program	367	1,118
Volunteers Insurance	661	666
Wages - LCLC	486,048	570,342
Workers Comp	3,932	3,433
Total Operating Expenses	648,266	728,424
et Profit	48,947	(40,297)

Notes

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements and the accompanying Compilation Report.





Movements in Equity

Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc As at 30 June 2018

	30 Jun 2018	30 Jun 2017
Equity		
Opening Balance	151,550	191,846
Current Year Earnings	48,947	(40,297)
Total Equity	200,496	151,550

Notes

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Statement of Financial Position



Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc As at 30 June 2018

	30 Jun 2018	30 Jun 2017
Assets		
Bank		
Bendigo Working Acc- 127954501	60,237	54,919
Cash Common Fund - 1563 60646	184,350	138,136
Term to 18 September 2018	127,420	124,608
Total Bank	372,007	317,662
Fixed Assets		
Motor Vehicles at Cost	20,549	20,549
Motor Vehicles Dep	(20,549)	(20,549)
Office Equipment at Cost	54,218	60,504
Office Equipment Dep	(54,218)	(60,504)
Total Fixed Assets		-
Total Assets	372,007	317,662
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Employee Voluntary Super Contribution	300	2,700
GST	10,570	7,858
MasterCard New	3,781	944
PAYG Withholding Payable	11,426	10,301
Provn for Annual Leave	21,241	21,938
Provn for Long Service Leave	39,386	36,242
Rounding	(1)	(1)
Superannuation	7,283	7,344
Trade Creditors	525	1,285
Unexpended Grant Funds	77,000	77,500
Total Current Liabilities	171,511	166,113
Total Liabilities	171,511	166,113
Net Assets	200,496	151,550
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	48,947	(40,297)
Prior Year's Surplus/Deficit	129,274	129,274
Retained Earnings	22,276	62,573
Total Equity	200,496	151,550

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Name	iMac Desktop Computer - MHO	Imac Mini G4 Laptop	Mac Computer	Mac Computer	Mac Computer	Mac Computer	Mac Computer	Mac Computer	Mac Computer	Mac Computer	Mac Computer	Mac Laptop FA-0014	Mac Mini Server 2017	Mac Server FA-0013

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Depreciation Schedule

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Cost 200	227	524	29	432	5,600	47,191	67,740
Type Furniture	Telephones	Furniture	Telephones	Furniture	Computers	at Cost	
Name Number MESH BACK FA-0031 OFFICE CHAIR	New Phone FA-0030 Handset for LLV	Office Desk FA-0021	Pre-Paid FA-0036 Mobile	Samsung FA-0023 Fridge	Server FA-0012 Installation Costs	Total Office Equipment at Cost	Total

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



\$67,166

\$18,219

Notes to the Financial Statements

Launceston Community Legal Centre Inc For the year ended 30 June 2018

1. Summary - Financial Performance for Financial Year Ended 30 June 2018

NOTES	2018	2017
Grant Revenue	\$688,429	\$670,849
Grant Revenue B/F Previous Year	\$18,219	\$58,516
Interest Revenue	\$4,844	\$7,646
Other Revenue	\$3,940	0
Employee Benefit Expenses	(\$535,386)	(\$626,311)
Depreciation Expenses	0	(\$1,063)
Other expenses from ordinary activities	(\$112,880)	(\$101,050)

NET SURPLUS/DEFECIT

This financial report is a special purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards. Urgent issues, Group interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and Corporations Act 2001.

The financial report of the Launceston Community legal Centre Inc. complies with Australian equivalents to international

Financial Reporting Standards (FRS) in their entirety. The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the entity in preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

1.(a) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are carried at cost, independent of Board of Management's valuation. All assets, excluding freehold land and buildings, are depreciated over their useful lives to the company. Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are credited to a revaluation reserve in shareholders' equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged against fair value reserves directly in equity; all other decreases are charged to the profit and loss. Each year the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset charged to the profit and loss and depreciation based on the asset's original cost is

transferred from the revaluation reserve to retained earnings. The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the Board of Management to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have not been discounted in determining recoverable amounts.

1.(b) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Centre's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs.

1.(c) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Centre 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 reporting date.

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1.(d) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes 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.

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1.(e) Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which, for floating rate financial assets, is the rate inherent in the instrument.

Inherent in the instrument. Revenue recognition relating to the provision of services is determined with reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at reporting date and where outcome of the contract can be estimated reliably. Stage of completion is determined with reference to the services performed to date as a percentage of total anticipated services to be performed. Where the outcome cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent that related expenditure is recoverable. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

1.(f) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

2. Fixed Assets

Motor Vehicles at Cost	
At cost	20,549
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(20,549)
Office Equipment at Cost	
At cost	54,218
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(54,218)
Total Fixed Assets	

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Peter W Bushby 60 Campbell Street Newstead 7250 Tasmania

The Chairperson Launceston Community Legal Centre Level 1 Suite 17, 97a York Street Launceston 7250

Dear Chairperson

Management Letter in response to the Audit for 2017-2018

In concluding the audit of the Launceston Community Legal Centre fund for the year ended 30^{th} June 2018

Overview

I was satisfied that LCLC complied with all aspects of its responsibilities in respect of

- The organisation's Financial Statements
- The CLSP Funds Report

I did not detect any instances of fraudulent conduct or the existence of deficiencies during the audit

Given the size of the organisation the internal control over the financial control systems and procedures are as strong as too be expected. This also applies to omissions and errors of financial data

I gave considerable weight to the accuracy of the employee benefits and provisions and believe they are adequate under current operations.

I believe the Insurance coverage of the organisation is adequate for an operation of this size and asset base held.

A review of the Board Papers and Minutes indicated that the volume and content were adequate for the Board to carry out their responsibilities

As usual I would like to thank Mrs. Snare for her courteous and professional manner in presenting all information required by me during the course of this Audit

Peter W Bushby (F.C.P.A., F.C.I.S., F.G.I.A., C.A.) Registered Company Auditor No 158 Dated: 31st July 2018



