

# Annual General Report



## 2017 - 2018

### Board of Management Report

DVAC's strategic priority this year has been to consolidate and strengthen our existing services after a period of considerable and consistent growth. The implementation of the Not Now Not Ever reports key recommendations into improving service provision for people impacted by family violence, has had significant implications for service delivery. This has been a much needed enhancement of particular importance for DVAC's overall social impact and the clients of which we all serve. This, growth, however, has involved considerable change, innovation and implementation and the Board would like to thank the Leadership Team of DVAC for the role they have played over the last three years in managing this growth.

In October the Board undertook a day of induction to the agency's existing strategic plan, mission and values. This training has enabled our governance structures and decision making to mirror the strong social justice framework that has shaped DVAC's social and strategic position for many years. In January all of the Board completed a day long course with the Governance Institute of Australia in Not-for-Profit Financial Management and remain steadfast in our commitment to remain abreast of our financial responsibilities as DVAC as our financial turnover has grown.

In February the Board alongside with the Leadership Team met to develop a new strategic plan for the next three years. With five key priorities being,

- 1. Growth and Innovation in Service Delivery and Sector Relationships.***
- 2. Leaders in Training, Activism, Development, Advocacy and Research.***
- 3. A Responsive and Innovative Service Informed by Feedback, Review and Women's Voices.***
- 4. Consolidation of Infrastructure and Culture.***
- 5. Generation of Diverse Income Streams.***

With the plan being finalised at our May Board meeting, these strategic priorities are set to drive our decision making and social impact for the next three years.

The Board would like to thank the very committed DVAC Team for the work they do with victims and survivors of violence and the broader community around prevention and look forward to continuing to consolidate with DVAC's Leadership Team our services across the Ipswich & Darling Downs Regions.

**Nick Thompson, Chairperson**

**Vision Statement** "A community free from violence and abuse"

**Philosophy** "That recognises gender inequity as the underlying cause of domestic/family and sexual violence where the majority of people subjected to violence and abuse in personal relationships are women and children"

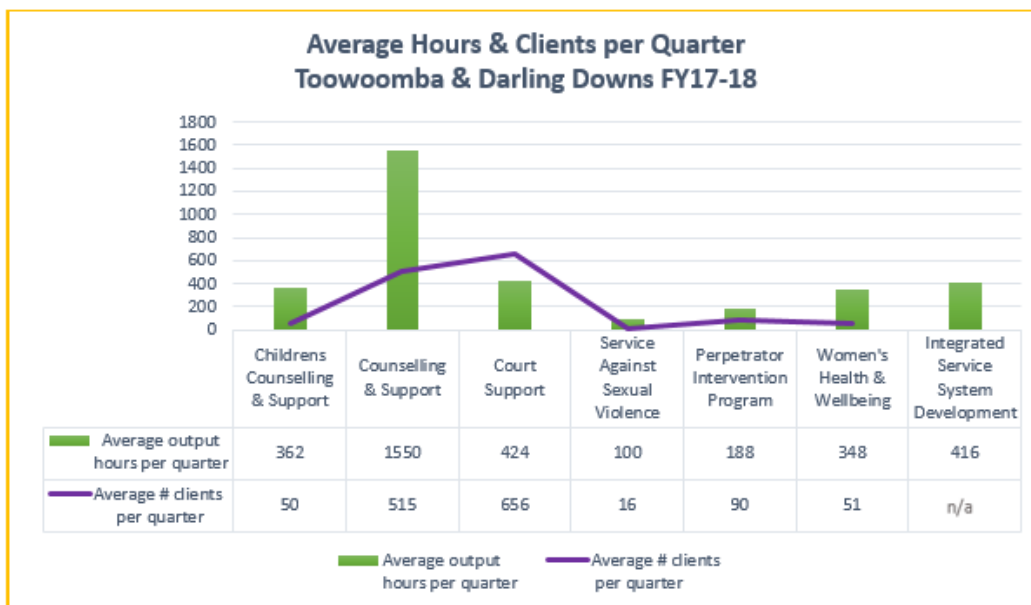
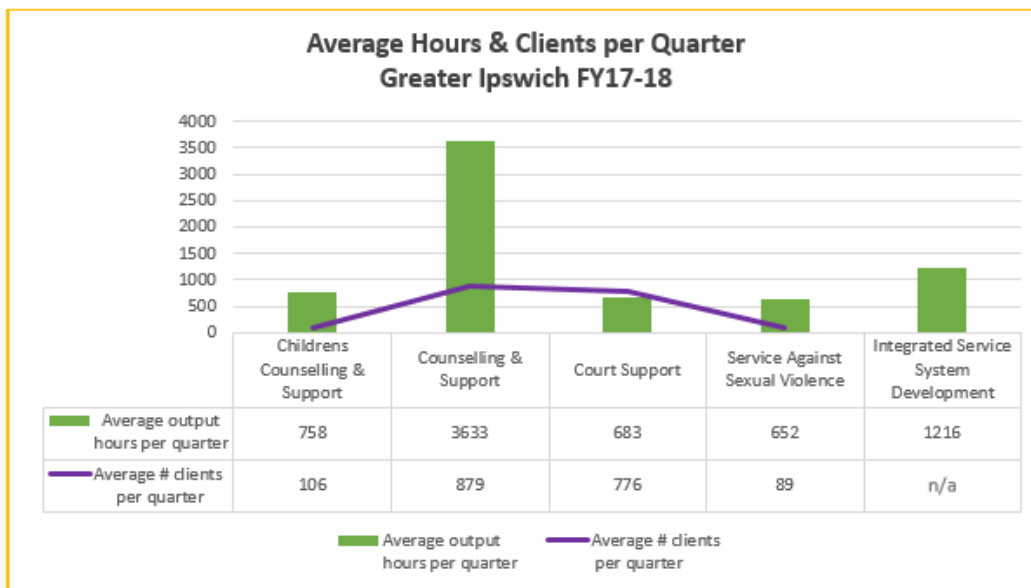
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2017 – 2018 has passed at massive speed with DVAC filling up our Ipswich site and moving our Toowoomba site. As always it has been an extremely busy year with ongoing change and I congratulate our staff who continue to do amazing work with all the people we support across both regions despite it all.

We have seen a steady increase of demand for service as we have grown and find ourselves always working hard to meet the needs of the people accessing our many programs across regions. DVAC works utilising feminist practice principles across all programs and that enables us to walk alongside people in a way that engenders respect, a deep seated valuing of diversity, and an understanding that people who come to our sites with a specific need are the expert of their own story. In the last year we have supported an amazing number of clients across both regions working together as passionate leaders creating freedom from gender violence. We are fortunate to have a passionate, professional and hard working board who support our mission and help steer our strategic direction.

We are forever grateful to our partners, referral networks, sponsors, supporters, funders, and to the communities we work in for leading this crucial cause with us.

To the brave women, children and young people who seek support every day, it never ceases to amaze me how brave, amazing, strong, resilient and incredible you are! We are privileged to walk alongside you for a small part of your life journey. To the men who seek support to change behaviour and beliefs, you may or may not have chosen to be here, but I hope to see you continue the journey to create families free of violence. The fight to end gender based violence is long from over but DVAC is committed to continue to lead the way alongside those who seek our support and those who work with us. Thank you all.



## Toowoomba Service Manager's Report

Kathleen Turley

This past 12 months has flown by so fast I am constantly questioning where has the time gone. As I reflect on the last 12 months there is so much that has been achieved during our first year of operation in Toowoomba and the Darling Downs.

Particular highlights for the year have been Our first DV Month Remembrance Ceremony and Walk Against Domestic Violence was well attended by over 100 people. USQ Domestic Violence Symposium, which showcased the intersections between practice and knowledge. Three of our staff also presented a session showcasing the collaborative work we are currently undertaking with The Department of Child Safety and the Safe & Together model for working with families in the Child Protection system, and I facilitated a panel discussion that included meeting Dame Quentin Bryce. We have also experienced a high demand to deliver specialist domestic violence training and awareness to a number of government and non-government orgs in the region.



July saw us relocate offices which has provided us an older building which clients have said is warm and welcoming. As the months roll on we hope that this new space will continue to provide women and children with a space where they feel safe and where they can access the supports they need to live a life that is free from domestic and family violence.



Finally, I would like to thank all the Toowoomba team for all the hard work, commitment and dedication you show to the clients who access our service. It is a pleasure to work alongside such amazing group of people.

## Ipswich Service Manager's Report

Dawn Osborne

Another year of growth, innovative practice and all our staff carrying out wonderful caring work with our service users. We have welcomed many new staff who have added all their skills, diverse work backgrounds and abilities to our amazing teams. Some of the highlights here in Ipswich over this past year have been:

Establishment of our new Integrated Response Team, including being funded to coordinate the new Ipswich High Risk Team. This builds on the earlier high risk work DVAC has carried out in partnership with QPS and Probation and Parole over the last three years.

Expansion of our staff teams and increase in quality work for our clients, while experiencing an increase of 90% in service access. Two members of staff stepping up into Team Leader positions.

Training and certification of three of our staff as trainers for the Safe and Together Model, and most of our current staff trained in the model.

As new Service Manager, I would like to just take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their continued quality work which makes such a difference to our client's lives. Reflecting this, I would like to finish with some of the words of our clients from this year; "DVAC workers are amazing, every single person I have dealt with has been caring and helpful. I can't say thank you enough."



**"Thank you so much for providing this service. I can't imagine this year without DVAC support"**

***"They are just amazing women who have helped me through a lot"***

**"DVAC workers are amazing, every single person I have dealt with has been caring and helpful. I can't say thank you enough"**

**Ipswich Safety Team** provides immediate crisis response through self-referral and direct referral from external service providers. This includes assisting women and children to access urgent safe accommodation and safety planning, providing information and referrals, advocacy, DV awareness and practical short-term case management support.

Our team is made up of six domestic and family violence practitioners covering support to the Greater Ipswich region and providing outreach support specifically to the Goodna & Springfield, Somerset and Lockyer Valley areas, as well as an additional practitioner who co-ordinates our Safety Upgrades program and Keeping Women Safe in the Home trial project.

During the last financial year, the Safety Team received and responded to 909 Police DFV referrals alone in comparison to 829 police referrals for the same period in the previous year.

Additionally, 74 women/families were provided with home security enhancements through the Safety Upgrades program and a further 56 high risk clients received technology based security upgrades including CCTV cameras and personal duress alarms through our trial program Keeping Women Safe in the Home.

Both of these programs have been consistently supported by local businesses who have collaborated with DVAC to ensure security enhancements are completed quickly and respectfully.

**Toowoomba Safety Team** have had a busy year embedding themselves in the community and gaining networks. Our Child Safety Liaison worker and Court Advocate have led the way in being out in the community and developing relevant stakeholder contacts. The Safety Team have had the pleasure of being a critical friend on a number of practice panels and have been accessed as a resource in many instances to advise those stakeholders less resources in the DFV arena. The staff have also been delivering training to first year Constables and General Practitioners during the past 12 months.

In the absence of a High Risk Team in the region the Toowoomba team continue to maintain High Risk Offender Panels with our partners in the Queensland Police Service and Probation and Parole. These relationships have developed and led to a streamlined information sharing process which focuses on the safety of women and children.

We owe a huge thank you to the services and individuals who donate resources into DVAC and supplement funding for Emergency Relief and Safety Upgrades. Without these additional funds we would be very limited in supplying practical assistance especially to those in rural and remote areas with little access to supports.

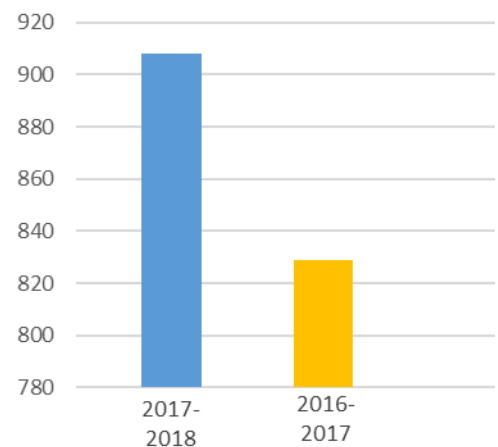
We've got an exciting chapter ahead with new team members coming on board and a new partnership with Mercy Family Services and their Wellness team. It's been an absolute pleasure to work alongside the amazing women in the team who manage daily crisis with integrity and a client centred approach.

## Toowoomba Court Support:

The Toowoomba team have been attending the eight funded courts in our region and serviced an increasing number of aggrieved and respondents in this space. Toowoomba has seen record numbers of applications in DV court during the early part of 2018 and there has been a significant increase in requests for support to write applications by survivors.

The work we do in our courts would not be possible without the dedication and competence of our amazing volunteers, these volunteers drive long distances in order to assist across the region. We are eternally grateful to all of these individuals who have given their time over the past year.

Annual Police Referrals-DFV



Wow what a year! DVAC continues to strive to support survivors to recover from their experiences of domestic and family violence (DFV) and sexual violence, to lead richer lives and repair from the trauma in their past, creating a safer and more connected future. We have welcomed a few new counsellors into both our Ipswich and Toowoomba teams to add to our experienced and passionate team here at DVAC and are getting on with the business of building hope, safety, resilience and self-esteem for women, some men, young people and children to take on the future.

**Women's Counselling Programs Ipswich & Toowoomba:** continues to provide counselling and support to women and survivors of DFV providing women opportunities for recovery, reflection and healing from their experiences.

**Family Counselling Program Ipswich & Toowoomba:** continues to provide therapeutic support for children, young people and their safe and non-offending caregiver to recover and rebuild from traumatic experiences of domestic and family violence. This systemic approach is informed by attachment, trauma and DFV knowledge and skills to be able to work with the family creatively and safely.

**Women's Group** and **Kids Life Skills Group Ipswich:** provides for women and children respectively to connect with others, and empower them.

**Women's Recovery Program Toowoomba:** Recovery and moving forward after experiencing domestic or family violence can for some women be a difficult and isolating experience. Our Women's Recovery program is a case management model program that provides practical assistance, counselling, support and advocacy to assist women in moving their lives forward following their experiences of Domestic and Family Violence. The program targets areas such as but not limited to assistance with establishing stable long-term accommodation, financial security, assistance in work or study options to assist the women with independence as well as opportunities for developing and building connections and resilience.

**Service Against Sexual Violence (SASV) Ipswich:** is now over two years old and we continue to provide therapeutic support to survivors of sexual violence over 14 years old regardless of gender, and their safe caregiver or parent.

**Men's Perpetrator Intervention Program Toowoomba:** Our Men's behavioural change program is up and running. The retention rates are very impressive and we have received positive feedback from some of the female partners. Feedback includes "I wish this had been around 30 years ago. I feel like I have a new husband".

**Renew Program Ipswich:** specialises in adolescent to parent violence – and is one of the first programs of its kind in Australia. Renew has a unique approach in that the program is not simply behavioural but is based on and provided through an attachment, trauma, DFV and gendered lens. This program has reached the end of its 2 year contract and over this time ran four 20 week groups and wrap-around support for young adolescent males (12 to 17 year olds) using violence against their mothers. DVAC looks forward to the next step in using the knowledge and resources from this program to meet the complex needs of these young people, their safe caregivers and the supports around these family. Watch this space!

**Toowoomba:** The renew program has been popular with great feedback being received from the parents of the boys attending. Below are just 2 of the positive comments received.

*"Thank you for everything. I love the way in which my children and I have reconnected- I wouldn't add anything to improve it has been fantastic" ; "The group has helped me understand the brain and how the boys respond to different situations. It has helped me to improve my relationship with my son "*

We continue to have a constant demand for these therapeutic programs due to high numbers of individuals and families contacting us for counselling and support, and we continue to support women, young people and children and men as we are able. We recognize the privilege it is to be able to work with resilient and courageous children, adolescent and adult survivors, in creating the space to heal from trauma and speak up against their experiences of DFV and sexual violence.



The Ipswich Integrated Response Team “IRT” has had a very busy year with many highlights including turning 1! There has been a significant increase in referrals to the IRT due to liaison role partnerships and the introduction of the Ipswich High Risk Team. As the IRT Team Leader, I would like to acknowledge the professionalism, passion and support that the team brings to their clients and their colleagues every day. I feel incredibly privileged to work with such an amazing group of women.

**Health Liaison** The partnership between DVAC and West Moreton Health Service has continued to strengthen and deliver critical services to victims of domestic violence. Between July 2017 and June 2018 there have been 108 referrals to the Health Liaison role.

This role has also delivered workshops to health staff to further increase their understanding, assessments and referral pathways for victims of Domestic and Family Violence. This role is based at Ipswich Hospital on Thursdays but is also able to attend at other times as required.

**Child Safety Liaison** This role covers the Child Safety offices in the Ipswich Region. This role has considerably strengthened the partnership between DVAC and Child Safety and has assisted women immensely who are navigating the child protection system. Using the Safe and Together Model in working with Child Safety provides opportunities for a different assessment framework that holds perpetrators accountable and highlights the protective actions of the non-offending caregiver.

**Court Advocate** This role continues to be very busy and is supported by both DVAC staff and volunteers at court. Outside of attendance at court, this role provides support and information to women around domestic violence orders and assists in completing applications and variations. This role has also been heavily involved with the Domestic Violence Court Assistance Network (DVCAN) and Queensland Domestic Violence Collaborative Justice Response (QDVCJR).

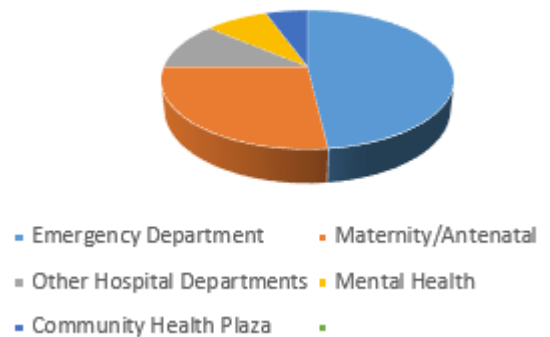
**Ipswich High Risk Team** DVAC is the lead agency for the Ipswich High Risk Team (HRT). The HRT Coordinator and HRT Chair sits within DVAC. Ipswich HRT became operational in Feb 2018. Between this time and June 2018 there have been 80 referrals into the Ipswich HRT.

The Ipswich HRT is part of a broader integrated response that focuses on multi-agency coordination and collaboration. The Ipswich HRT meets weekly and has very passionate and dedicated core members that attend. These core members are from DVAC, Queensland Police, Department of Child Safety, Queensland Health, Department of Housing and Public Works, Department of Justice and Attorney General (Courts, QLD Corrective Service and Youth Justice), and Men’s Behaviour Change Service. In addition there are associate members who attend the meeting on a case-by-case basis to further increase safety planning and risk management. The Ipswich HRT has seen the ongoing benefits of collaboration in reducing the risk for women and children while holding perpetrators to increased accountability.

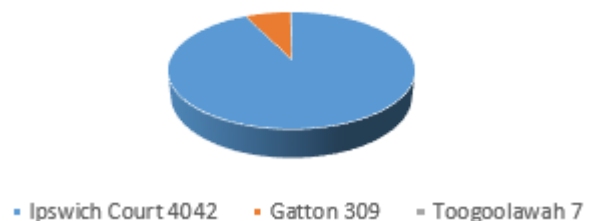
**IRT DFV Practitioner** The IRT is lucky to have this role as it is diverse and busy and provides support to court, HRT, and the Liaison roles. It is extremely beneficial to have a team member who is able to step in and support where needed across the team.

**Senior DFV Practitioner – Mercy Community Services** In this role the DFV practitioner attends DVAC one day a week and spends four days based at Mercy Community Services in Ipswich. This role plays a critical part in upskilling and supporting staff at Mercy Community Services around assessing risk and responding safely to Domestic and Family Violence.

Referrals to Health Liaison



Court Mentions 2017-2018



DVAC, as part of our advocacy and prevention work, engages with young people across Ipswich and greater regions. Students explore their ideas, experiences and responses to controlling and abusive behaviours through a semester long domestic and sexual violence education program called “Being Heard”.

After the success of our pilot (schools education) program “Not Being Heard is no Reason for Silence” (2017), we discovered a need and niche to continue our extensive, semester long program; wherein we devised “Being Heard”. Originally in 2017 we started with four schools and as a result of the success of this program, we had seven participating schools, nearly doubling our 2017 numbers for 2018.

Over the past two years, DVAC has reached unprecedented levels of outreach and advocacy. We are currently reaching large proportions of the community who we may not have previously reached for all levels of prevention work and attitudinal change. This is largely attributed to our new education program.

“Being Heard” is an experiential, hands-on and pragmatic approach to educating youths (ages 15 – 18) on domestic and sexual violence (D&SV) and healthy relationships, whilst facilitating change.

This program engages diverse groups of young people, being inclusive of, respectful to and culturally considerate of Aboriginal and Torre Strait Islanders, CALD and LGBTIQ+ groups. It is DVAC's belief that young people are a critical force in reducing tolerance



### BREAKDOWN OF NUMBERS REACHED:

- 2000+ Students = Initial Program (Full year levels)
- 249 Students = Intensive program (volunteer students)
- 61 Students = Performed at the Ipswich Civic Centre
- 421 Audience = Performance Guests (conclusion of program)

“I’ve actually been sitting in the front row, thinking... how do we do this right across Queensland? As the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence...if I can do one thing for you, one thing that would make a difference, what would it be? And they say, start with people in schools; start with young people. And this is what you’re doing tonight... you’re showing us what needs to be done; you’re showing us about respect, dignity, and equality, and you are saying to every single person here, this is the way we should be, you’re setting the scene, and I just want to thank you for that” The Honourable Di Farmer, Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women and Minister

for D&SV in our community.

## Community Development

Annie Douglas

The Community Development portfolio at DVAC had another great year with plenty of events across the community to raise awareness of domestic and family violence and the many services that DVAC provides. Rachel King continued in the Community Development role for most of the year before I joined the team in May 2018.

There were numerous community events and awareness raising days throughout 2017-18 that we organised or participated in, including: NAIDOC Week at Ipswich, Sexual Violence Awareness Month, 16 Days of Activism against Gender based Violence, Reclaim the Night, Glenala Says Know – DV Symposium, One Billion Rising, Queensland Women’s Week, International Women’s Day, Remembrance Day during Domestic Violence Month and the Jets Rugby League Football Club Ladies Day.

Moving into this next year, DVAC is keen to continue attending and organising events for the key days and months of awareness throughout the year. We will also be working more closely with key agencies and community stakeholders, to implement and embed more longer term, ongoing partnerships and programs



# Acknowledgments

The Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women provides funding for: The Resource Service; Counselling and Support Initiative; Court Support Initiative; Integrated Response; Children's Counselling and Support Initiative; Safety Upgrades Program, Keeping Women Safe in their Home Trial and DV Prevention Month Grant



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## Thank you Sponsors & Supporters

*Minter Ellison Minter Ellison's Brisbane office has been involved in providing organisational pro bono work to the Domestic Violence Action Centre (DVAC) since 2012. One of the key focuses of our Community Investment and Pro Bono Program is to assist in addressing the issue of domestic and family violence. We do this by working with organisations which are dealing with the issue 'on the ground' so that we can be sure that our pro bono resources are being used effectively. We choose to work with DVAC as we see it as a front leader in the regions in which it operates and we see it working in a collaborative and innovative way to provide direct assistance to those who are experiencing domestic and family violence first hand. Much of our pro bono work for the organisation is about formalising the many partnerships it has formed to ensure that the issue is addressed in an holistic and efficient manner. In assisting DVAC 'behind the scenes' we feel that we are making at least some contribution towards making a difference in the lives of those in abusive relationships in the Ipswich area and beyond.*

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| Ray and Cathy Allwood  | Jennifer Howard MP      | Springfield Chamber of Commerce         |
| Jim Madden MP          | Biddeston State School  | Ulysses Club Ipswich Branch             |
| Ipswich City Council   | West Moreton Health     | The Quiltmakers of Peppermint Stitches  |
| Warwick Safe Haven     | Biddeston State School  | The Quiltmakers of Indooroopilly        |
| Keystone Foods         | Zonta Club of Ipswich   | Dept Education Metropolitan Region (HR) |
| Darren Baldwin         | MYER                    | Rotary Club Ipswich North               |
| USQ Women's Network    | USQ Springfield         | USQ Toowoomba                           |
| Kerri Nicol - Jamberry | Ipswich Anglican Parish | Uniting Church Trinity Ipswich          |
| The Nappy Collective   | Lions Club of Ipswich   | RizeUp Australia                        |
| GiveNow.com.au         | Share the Dignity       | CityHope Care                           |
| Men's Shed Kalbar      | Restore Hope Australia  | Flight Centre, Yamanto                  |

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**Independent Audit Report  
To the Members of Domestic Violence Action Centre Inc.**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial report of Domestic Violence Action Centre Inc., which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2018, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the declaration by those charged with governance.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report of Domestic Violence Action Centre Inc. is in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (Qld), including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the association's financial position as at 30 June 2018 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the Associations Incorporation Regulations 1999 (Qld), .

*Basis of Accounting*

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the management committee's financial reporting responsibilities under the governing rules of the association. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

**Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Other Information**

Those charged with governance are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Association's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2018, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

## **Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

## **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

**HARDING MARTIN**  
Chartered Accountants

Dated: 12 October 2018  
IPSWICH QLD



NEIL S HARDING  
Partner

**Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income**  
For the year ended 30 June 2018

|   | 2018             | 2017             |
|---|------------------|------------------|
|   | \$               | \$               |
| <b>INCOME</b>                                 |                  |                  |
| Grant   | 4,796,817        | 3,014,237        |
| Training                                      | 18,948           | 9,909            |
| Interest income                               | 15,729           | 8,113            |
| Membership                                    | 593              | 337              |
| Donation                                      | 276,541          | 25,652           |
| Fundraising income                            | 3,160            | 15,017           |
| Sundry income                                 | 21,668           | 11,250           |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME</b>                           | <u>5,133,456</u> | <u>3,084,515</u> |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                               |                  |                  |
| Advertising                                   | 17,207           | 20,728           |
| Audit fees                                    | 4,800            | 6,000            |
| Bank charges                                  | 229              | 2,006            |
| Client expenses                               | 259,613          | 152,564          |
| Committee & meeting expenses                  | 6,392            | 5,097            |
| Computer expenses                             | 99,522           | 46,332           |
| Consultants & contractors                     | 15,850           | 1,886            |
| Depreciation expenses                         | 84,837           | 55,745           |
| Electricity                                   | 2,153            | 4,528            |
| Furniture & equipment expensed                | 10,210           | 4,241            |
| Insurance                                     | 14,681           | 9,948            |
| Maintenance – cleaning & gardening            | 21,772           | 13,806           |
| Maintenance - building                        | 12,685           | 13,369           |
| Motor vehicle expenses                        | 71,818           | 43,749           |
| Postage                                       | 1,510            | 916              |
| Printing & stationery                         | 24,660           | 17,621           |
| Rates   | 4,157            | 5,035            |
| Rent  | 170,759          | 58,632           |
| Security                                      | 7,212            | 4,660            |
| Subscriptions & memberships                   | 13,156           | 3,738            |
| Sundry expenses                               | 200              | 145              |
| Training expenses                             | 103,047          | 69,085           |
| Telephone                                     | 55,609           | 44,040           |
| Staff amenities                               | 7,319            | 6,026            |
| Special projects                              | 29,704           | 17,265           |
| Wages, superannuation and oncosts             | 3,904,993        | 2,370,690        |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                         | <u>4,944,095</u> | <u>2,977,852</u> |
| Net surplus/(deficit)                         | <b>189,361</b>   | <b>106,663</b>   |
| Income tax expense                            | -                | -                |
| <b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER INCOME TAX</b> | <u>189,361</u>   | <u>106,663</u>   |
| OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME                    | (49,000)         | (202,415)        |
| <b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>             | <u>140,361</u>   | <u>(95,752)</u>  |

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**Domestic Violence Action Centre Inc.**

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**Statement of Financial Position**As at 30 June 2018

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|                                      | Note | 2018<br>\$       | 2017<br>\$       |
|--------------------------------------|------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                |      |                  |                  |
| Cash and cash equivalents            | 3    | 940,193          | 387,289          |
| Receivables and other debtors        | 4    | 51,798           | 24,453           |
| <b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>          |      | <u>991,991</u>   | <u>411,742</u>   |
| <b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>            |      |                  |                  |
| Receivables and other debtors        | 4    | 18,142           | -                |
| Financial assets                     | 5    | 10               | 10               |
| Property, plant and equipment        | 6    | 735,574          | 772,819          |
| <b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>      |      | <u>753,726</u>   | <u>772,829</u>   |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                  |      | <u>1,745,717</u> | <u>1,184,571</u> |
| <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>           |      |                  |                  |
| Trade and other payables             | 7    | 670,585          | 342,391          |
| Provisions                           | 8    | 177,101          | 100,372          |
| <b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>     |      | <u>847,686</u>   | <u>442,763</u>   |
| <b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>       |      |                  |                  |
| Provisions                           | 8    | 57,985           | 42,123           |
| <b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b> |      | <u>57,985</u>    | <u>42,123</u>    |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>             |      | <u>905,671</u>   | <u>484,886</u>   |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                    |      | <u>840,046</u>   | <u>699,685</u>   |
| <b>EQUITY</b>                        |      |                  |                  |
| Retained earnings                    |      | 731,301          | 541,940          |
| Reserve                              |      | 108,745          | 157,745          |
| <b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>                  |      | <u>840,046</u>   | <u>699,685</u>   |

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**Statement of Changes in Equity**For the year ended 30 June 2018

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|   | <u>Retained<br/>Earnings</u> | <u>Assets<br/>Revaluation<br/>Reserve</u> | <u>Total</u>     |
|---|------------------------------|---|------------------|
| <b>Balance at 1 July 2016</b>               | 435,277                      | 360,160                                   | 795,437          |
| Surplus/(deficit) from operating activities | 108,663                      | (202,415)                                 | 106,663          |
| <b>Balance at 30 June 2017</b>              | 541,940                      | 157,745                                   | 902,100          |
| Surplus/(deficit) from operating activities | 189,361                      | (49,000)                                  | 140,361          |
| <b>Balance at 30 June 2018</b>              | <u>731,301</u>               | <u>108,745</u>                            | <u>1,042,461</u> |

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**Statement of Cash Flows**For the year ended 30 June 2018

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|  | Note  | 2018<br>\$            | 2017<br>\$            |
|--|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING<br/>ACTIVITIES</b>           |       |                       |                       |
| Receipts from operations                                 |       | 5,673,886             | 3,291,069             |
| Payments to suppliers and employees                      |       | (5,040,119)           | (3,153,802)           |
| Interest received  |       | 15,729                | 8,113                 |
| interest paid  |       | -                     | -                     |
| Net cash generated from / (used in) operating activities | 10(b) | <u>649,496</u>        | <u>145,380</u>        |
| <b>CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING<br/>ACTIVITIES</b>           |       |                       |                       |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment      |       | -                     | -                     |
| Payment for property, plant and equipment                |       | (96,592)              | (129,982)             |
| Payment for investments                                  |       | -                     | -                     |
| Net cash generated from / (used in) investing activities |       | <u>(96,592)</u>       | <u>(129,982)</u>      |
| <b>CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING<br/>ACTIVITIES</b>           |       |                       |                       |
| Proceeds from borrowings                                 |       | -                     | -                     |
| Repayments of borrowings                                 |       | -                     | -                     |
| Net cash generated from / (used in) investing activities |       | <u>-</u>              | <u>-</u>              |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash held                     |       | 552,904               | 15,398                |
| Cash at the beginning of the financial year              |       | <u>387,289</u>        | <u>371,891</u>        |
| Cash at the end of the financial year                    | 10(a) | <u><u>940,193</u></u> | <u><u>387,289</u></u> |

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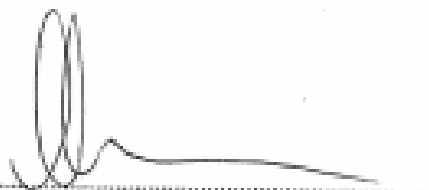
**Declaration by the Management Committee**  
For the year ended 30 June 2018

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The management committee of Domestic Violence Action Centre Inc. declare that:

1. The financial statements including the Statement of Profit and Loss or Other Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flow and the Notes to the Financial Statements, are in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 (Qld):
  - a. comply with the Associations Incorporations Regulation 1999 (Qld); and
  - b. give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2018 and performance for the year ended on that date of the association;
2. In the management committees' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Domestic Violence Action Centre Inc. 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 management committee.



Nick Thompson  
Chairperson

  
Laura Marschke  
Treasurer

Dated: 12 October 2018