



**MOUNT BARKER**  
**COMMUNITY CENTRE**

*Annual Report*  
*2022-2023*



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*Celebrating 40 years of service to the Mount Barker Community!*

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# Australian Service Excellence Standards

## Mount Barker Community Centre Inc

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## Accreditation *Certificate Level*

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*Quality Programs Manager*

*Community Investment & Support*

*Department of Human Services*



*Period of Accreditation*

*24 February 2022 – 24 February 2025*

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## **VISION, MISSION AND VALUES**

Mount Barker Community Centre is a not-for-profit, independent organization located in the heart of Mount Barker SA. The Community Centre offers local community members opportunities to connect with each other through a variety of responsive and inclusive programs, events and volunteer roles across the region. The Community Centre is responsive to local community need and works to address gaps and unmet needs through innovation and collaboration.

### **Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners**

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land occupied by Mount Barker Community Centre, its programs and services.

We pay our respects to the Elders, both past and present, for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and the hope of the oldest living culture on Earth.

We acknowledge the sacred connection to this land which, since the beginning of the Dreaming, was, is, and always will be traditional Aboriginal Land.

### **Vision**

A Connected and Inclusive Community.

### **Mission**

To offer responsive and inclusive opportunities and support for the community to participate in and to develop connections.

### **Values**

#### **Responsiveness**

We engage with our communities, listen, and act upon what we hear.

We partner with other organisations to increase our capacity to respond quickly.

We find innovative and progressive solutions to address community needs.

#### **Empowerment**

We are here to empower our communities and the people living within them by building capacity and capability through programs and services designed to build community participation.

We are inclusive. We value diversity and we advocate for equity within our service and our community.

#### **Integrity and Transparency**

We value openness, honesty and transparency and will always live up to our role as a trusted member of the communities we service.

#### **Sustainability**

We are committed to a sustainable future and to improving the social, economic and environmental well-being of the community.

We are dedicated to creating a financially sustainable organisation that grows and develops with the community.

## **BACKGROUND**

Mount Barker Community Centre (formerly Mount Barker Family House) was established in 1983 and is the Community Centre for the Mount Barker Council District with services accessed by residents from surrounding areas.

We are a not-for-profit, non-government, incorporated association governed by a voluntary Board of Management with an Executive Officer responsible for the everyday running of the organisation. A variety of highly skilled staff members and volunteers ensure Mount Barker Community Centre is run efficiently and for the benefit of all members of the community.

Our purpose and focus are to promote community wellbeing by integrating community development, lifelong learning, and health promotion through the provision of low-cost courses and activities to enable individuals to gain support and information, progress with personal development, build networks, share knowledge, and learn new skills. We provide work experience and work hardening placement opportunities, mentoring program for administrative and childcare volunteers to build their skills and esteem to support their transition to work.

Approximately 40% of our revenue is recurrent funding from Local, State and Federal government. Approximately 45% of our revenue is from childcare fees from Family House Childcare with the balance sourced through fee for services for our courses, programs, social enterprise, fundraising, and facility hire fees.

External groups can hire the Centre when available all through the week and on weekends. Mount Barker Community Centre has six spaces available to hire, as well as the kitchen. We also manage the Brukunga Hall which can also be hired out to the community.

Our Childcare Service was established in 1984 to provide respite for parents and carers at home with young children who needed an occasional break. It has become one of the many interconnected services provided by our Centre. In 2018 we began operating in the new 'Child Care Subsidy System (CCSS). Family House Childcare is now a fully licensed Child Care service provider. This service is unique within our region providing Community Child Care for up to 30 children in a warm, friendly and developmental environment.

We are also an active member of Community Centres SA which is the peak body for community centres and neighbourhood houses in South Australia. We also hold membership with the Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA).



## **MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY CENTRE TEAM 2022-2023**

### **BOARD OF MANAGEMENT**

Gunhild Jonsson	<i>Chairperson</i>
Michael Stapleton	<i>Board Member</i>
Mick Jenner	<i>Board Member</i>
Kathy Hutchinson	<i>Board Member</i>
Lynne Hall	<i>Board Member</i>
Carolyn Boyd	<i>Board Member</i>
Philomena Taylor	<i>Board Member</i>
Yasir Arfat	<i>Board Member</i>
Sean Hames	<i>Executive Officer (non-voting)</i>

### **PERMANENT STAFF**

Sean Hames	<i>Executive Officer</i>
Nicki van Hooff	<i>Community Development Manager</i>
Chelsea Banham	<i>Childcare Director (finished February 2023)</i>
Jodie James-Freeman	<i>Childcare Director</i>
Debi Gobbett	<i>Human Resource Coordinator</i>
Kelly Bird	<i>Community Connections Coordinator</i>
Katy McQuillen	<i>Finance &amp; Administration Officer</i>
Sarah Heneker	<i>ECT</i>
Carla Morgan	<i>ECT</i>
Zunera Yasir	<i>ECT</i>
Kylie Pearson	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Lily Williams	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Jess Paech	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Joshua Marshall	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Harmony D'Angelo	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Kerri Matthews	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Amber Drewett	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Radhika Kumar	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Anne Lehwood	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Cassie Whiteside	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Catherine Ward	<i>Childcare Educator</i>

### **CASUAL STAFF:**

Matthew Twartz	<i>Gardener Childcare</i>
Ian Mitchell	<i>Gardener Community Centre</i>
John Martin	<i>Gardener Community Centre</i>
Bernadette Rick	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Annette Arnold	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Kayla Carslake	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Bronwyn Gilchrist	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Emily Marshman	<i>Childcare Educator</i>
Jana Kirchhof	<i>Playgroup Coordinator</i>

### **CONTRACTED COURSE TUTORS**

Susan Thomson	<i>Over 50's Exercise Instructor</i>
Gaenor White	<i>Yoga Instruction</i>
Bindi Blacher	<i>Yoga Instruction</i>
Catherine Carter	<i>Yoga Instruction</i>

## **Chairperson's Report**

### *Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners*

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This year the Mount Barker Community Centre celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary with forty dynamic years of serving the local community in the region. In that time the Centre has grown from a small single location "Family House" to the current large, thriving Centre at Tafe Block C, with our outreach locations and many programs supporting the local community.

The financial year 2022-2023 has been a year of consolidation after the recent years of dealing with the pandemic and rapid expansion of programs and services. Last year the Board of Management set three focus areas for 2022-2023:

#### ***The Strategic Plan review:***

The Strategic Plan 2024-2027 sets out our key strategic directions for the next three years with the goals, strategies for each goal and the desired outcomes; all drawn from community needs analysis surveys and meetings with staff and stakeholders. The Strategic Plan will be supported by the Business Plan where we identify the actions to support the Strategic Plan goals. The Business Plan will be reviewed annually.

#### ***Consolidate the growth and gains in programs and Family House:***

We continue to build on existing programs and add new programs for the community. For example: the DHS increased funding and praised our WIS and Community Connections as "gold standard". The Men's Shed is now known as the Laratinga Community Shed and has been expanded to include the Women's Shed, and Bike Kitchen as well as the Men's Shed.

In January 2023 the Board approved the recommendation to move the Centre financial systems to accrual accounting to better support our increasingly complex financial reporting, which was successfully implemented by the end of the financial year. Katy McQuillen joined the Centre staff as finance officer (part-time) in July 2022.

#### ***Board member recruiting:***

We welcomed two new Board members Yasir Arfat and Philomena Taylor in September 2022. Yasir resigned from the Board in March 2023 when he relocated to Melbourne; we thank him for his input to the Board and wish him well in his new endeavours. Philomena has joined the childcare and strategic planning sub-committees and also the reception volunteers.

Finally, I want to acknowledge our staff and volunteers, all our clients who enjoy and benefit from Centre services, and the Mount Barker District Council staff and members who engage with us and support our efforts. Thank you all!

**Gunhild Jonsson**

**Chair, Mount Barker Community Centre Board of Management**

## **Executive Officer's Report**

2022/23 ended up being another year of sustained growth for the Community Centre. Several new programs and partnerships were developed, while we maintained all our existing services. It was also a year where we moved into planning for the future, with the development of our 2023-2026 Strategic Plan, which we intend to unveil at our Annual General Meeting. A community needs analysis was completed in early 2023, which formed the basis of our Strategic Plan. Feedback was sought from community members, service users, volunteers and staff to assist with this process. A sub-committee made up of staff and board members was charged with the job and finalising the plan ready for approval by the full Board of Management of the Community Centre. We are excited to begin the process of working towards our agreed strategic directions over the next three years.

### **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

2023 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary for our organization, with the original Mount Barker South Family House Inc beginning operations as a management group in January 1983. Below is some information on the early history of the Centre:

*In the early 1980's, services involved with families with young children in the Mount Barker area were concerned that many of the newly arriving family's needs were not being met. At the time there was a rapid expansion of 'Housing Trust' houses in the South of Mount Barker. Other than the kindergarten and the newly established South school, there were no community facilities. Families coming into the area often had low incomes, young children and little extended family to call upon.*

*In March 1983, Brian Victory, the principal of Mount Barker South Primary School, contacted the Mount Barker office of the Department for Community Welfare. He said it was possible that a transportable classroom could be retained at the school for the purposes of a 'drop-in centre' for parents in the area. A joint submission by the school and the department was made, along with negotiations by the department for a final year social work student, Brenda Poole, to do her field placement within the Family Day Care office in Mount Barker. The aim of her placement was to develop a Neighbourhood Centre in the Mount Barker South area. The Family Day Care environment was chosen as it provided an existing network of families in the area, whose focus was on families with young children.*

*Brenda established a steering committee with local people as well as starting some informal classes and activity groups at the kindergarten and school. Department of Social Security (now Department for Human Services) funded a childcare worker to support these activities. Submissions were made to the Housing Trust for a house to be made available as a Neighbourhood House. This request was refused, which resulted in the steering committee deciding to become a 'incorporated body' with the name 'Mount Barker South Family' House. This name was chosen with a strong emphasis on the word 'family', as it wanted to promote the interests of all members of a family unit and not just the focus on the needs of one group.*

*A presentation to state government officials in June 1983 by Sue Skewes and Bron de Kok resulted in a state and federal joint funding submission, which resulted in the building on council land of the original building on the corner of Charles Street and Princess Road. Funds were also made available by the Department for Community Welfare to employ Bron de Kok as a part-time coordinator.*

*Following the completion of the Family House in 1984, additional funding was required to allow the childcare area to meet licensing standards for a childcare service. Department of Social Security provided this and as such Family House childcare became one of the first licensed 'Occasional childcare Services' in South Australia. The Honourable Greg Crafter opened the Family House officially in late 1984.*



Over the next 40 years, many changes have been made to the organization. Below is a brief timeline of some of these changes:

- 1985 - Name changed to Mount Barker Family House Inc
- 1985 - Family Day Care permanently make their Mount Barker office at Family House
- 1993 - Survived serious funding cuts to continue operating
- 2008 – 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations
- 2011 - Partners with Tri State Games to bring this annual sporting event for people with a disability to Mount Barker in 2011/12
- 2012 - Mount Barker Community Centre becomes the organizations new operating name
- 2014 - Established Mount Barker Men’s Shed (now Laratinga Community Shed)
- 2014 - Takes over management from SA Health of Duck Flat Community Garden
- 2019 - Relocation from Princes Road to Dumas Street (Community Centre) and Willow Close (Family House Child Care)
- 2020 – During Covid-19 pandemic, Mount Barker Community Centre not only remains open, but increases its operations to support the Mount Barker community through its community pantry
- 2021 - Begins operating The Haven
- 2023 - Celebrating 40 years of service to the Mount Barker community

List of Centre Managers:

- Bron de Kok: 1983 – 1986
- Ros Gill: 1986 - 1988
- Yvonne Wilson: 1988 - 1993
- Janet Chambers: 1993 - 2003
- Rosemary Rodrigues: 2003 - 2010
- Sean Hames: 2010 – present

Honorary Members (10 years or more service to the Centre):

- Janet Chambers (Centre Manager)
- Deb Jenner (Family House Team Leader)
- Pauline Eglinton (Family House Team Leader)
- Bernadette Rick (Family House Staff Member)
- Eliza Tucker (Volunteer / Board member)
- Laurie Collet (Volunteer)
- Jocelyn Fairley (Family Day Care / Volunteer)
- Mick Jenner (Volunteer / Board Member)
- Sean Hames (Centre Manager)
- Debra Gobbett (Staff Member)
- Kathy Hutchinson (Participant / Board Member)

## **Revamp**

Our social enterprise continues to provide volunteer opportunities to those with a creative side. Our team work hard to recycle and revamp old and unused materials into majestic works of art as well as functional household items. This past 12 months has seen some new work in mosaics reach the shop floor. Money raised through the shop goes to supporting several programs, including our Community Pantry.

### **Tri State Games**

After two years off due to Covid-19 restrictions, our Tri state Games team were able to head over to Cobram, in Victoria to compete in their annual event. Eight young people with a disability travelled and competed in November 2022, bringing back a swag of individual medals as well as the perpetual shield for best overall team! A great achievement after time off, with the team already planning for the next few years, as they get ready to travel to Cobram once again this year, followed by Portland in 2024.

### **New Staff**

We were pleased to be able to welcome a new staff member to our team in July 2022. Katy McQuillen has joined us to assist with finance and room bookings. Katy has been a part of our volunteer team since 2019 and shown to be a dedicated and highly effective team player. Her support to me has been very positive, as it has broadened our ability to move towards updating our finance procedures. It has also drastically increased our ability to manage the numerous rooms booking enquiries that we receive.

We were also pleased to receive funds from Department for Human Services to staff our Women's Information Service. Previously a volunteer run program, this funding has provided staff support to a team of volunteers who are able to respond to any requests for assistance from women in need.

### **Laratinga Community Shed**

Changes were needed to ensure our shed could continue operating into the future. I attended a 'Shed Gathering' in October 2022 where the inclusion of women, people with a disability and people from CALD backgrounds was discussed. AMSA (Australian Men's Shed Association) is actively suggesting that sheds need to be open to change as more and more membership enquiries now come from women. The need for more diversification in our sheds has been well researched, with Professor Barry Golding, who acts as an AMSA ambassador, identifying that the sheds across the world which thrive, have more diversity in their membership. It was also noted that during to the Covid-19 pandemic, shed associations in the UK and Ireland lost a significant percentage of their sheds due to the death of a significant number of each shed's members due to Covid-19. Thus, the Laratinga Community Shed will now focus on ensuring all people in our community can have access to a shed program.

### **Finances**

Our finance sub-committee have had a busy year planning and developing a new and updated financial system, with the significant component being moving to accrual accounting. There have also been several new recommendations from the ACNC (Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission), which required us, as a medium sized charity, to move towards. These include:

- Move towards accrual accounting before the next financial year.
- Provide training as required to upskill existing staff.
- Finance and Administration Officer to take over more procedural finance roles that incorporate accrual accounting.
- Executive Officer to focus role on those recommended by the ACNC:
  - Compliance
  - Governance
  - Growth
  - Public Officer
  - Leadership
  - Collaborator
  - Mentor
  - Financial administration, Management and reporting to Board of Management

With the support of the sub-committee and our new Finance & Administration Officer, I have been able to move the proposed timeline for incorporating accrual accounting into our financial procedures to April 2023. This has allowed us the time to establish the new system prior to the 2023/24 financial

year. This has proven to be very successful, as we are now operating the new system in full, which means our Board of Management are able to better determine the financial position on a month-by-month basis.

One of our focus areas this year was to increase our self-generated revenue from sales, course fees and user hire fees. This has proven to be very successful, as our income in these areas has risen drastically. This includes a 40% increase in hire fees for use of all Community Centre spaces and 17% increase overall.

Below is a snapshot of the growth in revenue of the Community Centre over the past 13 years:

2010	\$ 190,866
2013	\$ 304,574
2016	\$ 367,000
2019	\$ 547,982
2023	\$ 1,626,045

**Family House**

Family House started 2022/23 well, with utilisation of the service sitting at 90-95%. This trend continued through until December. As usual there was a drop off over January as several families leave as their children head off to school. This was further exacerbated by the sudden departure of our Director Chelsea in February. Luckily though we had our new Director waiting in the wings. Jodie James-Freeman picked up the reins and kept the service flourishing and made some relevant changes to ensure we remained compliant and accessible to families.

By the end of the financial year numbers had once again hit the 95% utilisation mark. Overall Family House was able to make a reasonable profit, all of which goes to supporting the whole organization. Jodie and the team at Family House are now planning for the future. We have also welcomed Kylie Pearson as our new Assistant Director, who will be helping Jodie with administering the service.

Since moving into Willow Close in 2019 a lot of work has been done to brighten up Family House. Over the past 12 months we have seen the development of our nature play environment, improvements to the kitchen and new flooring in the baby’s room. We have also created another play space at the back of the centre with a second sandpit and a vegetable garden, which is very popular with the older children. Further work to improve the kitchen to make it more usable is planned, as well as creating a kitchen / garden program which the children can get involved in.

A huge thank you must also go out to all the staff, who stepped up and supported the service when required. Our childcare sub-committee also had a busy year, in early 2023 as support for Jodie was important as she took the reins as Director. Hopefully we can now look forward to another year of growth at Family House, while still consolidating our financial position to ensure the service continues to support the whole organization.

**Sean Hames**  
**Executive Officer**

## Community Development – Program Highlights July 2022 – June 2023

Mount Barker Community Centre run Programs	<b>206</b>
Programs run by other organisations, at community centre facilities	<b>266</b>
Total attendances at all community centre and user group programs	<b>28,156</b>

### The Haven Mount Barker

The Haven Mount Barker provides community service and referral information to women, by email, over the phone and in person. We aim to increase access to information that gives choice and empowerment.

2022 – 23 saw significant growth in The Haven as we received funding from the Women’s Information Service to employ staff to manage and grow the program.

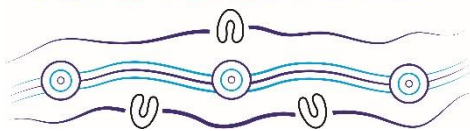
Clients accessing The Haven 2022-23	<b>167</b>
Participants in Haven Womens Programs	<b>549</b>

We offered a comprehensive range of women's programs, providing diverse opportunities for personal growth, skill development, and community engagement. From women’s boxing classes to mosaics and watercolour art workshops, these programs cater to a variety of interests. Mindfulness and wellbeing workshops encourage holistic self-care and the exploration of aspirations, while the basket weaving sessions provided a culturally rich activity.

The Women's Walking Group fosters a sense of camaraderie while promoting physical activity and mental well-being. Additionally, a Financial Capability for Women program, presented by the Zahra Foundation, equipped participants with essential financial skills.



## LARATINGA COMMUNITY SHED



### Laratinga Community Shed

2022 – 23 saw a major change in our Shed program. The Mount Barker Men’s Shed has now transitioned to a new service known as the Laratinga Community Shed and welcomes people of all genders and abilities.

A Womens Shed program was

introduced through an initial 4-week trial in November 2022 then officially started up in February 2023 with Rose Squire coordinating the women’s program on Mondays. All community members are welcome to attend the shed on Tuesdays and Wednesday. Thursdays remain as men’s day at the shed.



### Community Connections Program

Strong social connections can improve quality of life and provide better health outcomes. The Community Connections Program supports participants to develop social connections and participate in their community.

2022-23 was the second year of running the DHS funded Community Connections Program in partnership with The Hut Community Centre. 17 new participants joined the program in the past year. Participants have reported positive results from their involvement in the program including securing volunteer roles or employment, developing new friendships and becoming engaged in meaningful community programs.

### **Emergency Relief Program**

Mount Barker Community Centre provides vital emergency support programs. Emergency relief vouchers and bill payments were provided to community members in need, through a partnership with The Hut Community Centre.

People accessed emergency relief in during 2022-23
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The food pantry and free frozen meals ensure that individuals and families facing food insecurity have access to nourishing meals. The Zonta-supported toiletries initiative offers important hygiene resources to those in need, enhancing their overall well-being. Through a partnership with safe pets safe families, the pet food program recognizes the significance of pets in people's lives and ensures their care even during difficult times. The reinstatement of community lunches following the challenges of Covid-19 has fostered social connections while enjoying a nutritious meal at the Community Centre.

### **Community Grants**

Supported by Mount Barker District Council, we have accessed a range of community grants which allowed us to expand our diverse community programs. The Auslan program has empowered participants with valuable communication skills, fostering inclusivity and understanding. In partnership with the Mount Barker Floral Art Club, Floral Art workshops cultivated artistic expression and nature appreciation. Bike Maintenance Workshops have equipped attendees with practical skills while promoting sustainable transportation. The proudly worn Walking Football T-shirts symbolize not only a love for the sport but also the camaraderie and active spirit that this inclusive program embodies.



### **Programs for Young People in our Community**

In 2022-23 we offered a dynamic array of youth programs aimed at fostering growth, skill development, and inclusivity. The new "Cooking Cabinet" program allowed young people the opportunity to cook and eat lunch with state member for Kavel, Dan Cregan MP and federal member for Mayo Rebekha Sharkie MP. This program was an opportunity for young people to share their views on relevant issues with their local leaders in a relaxed environment in the kitchen. The leaders will take the information they have learned from the young participants and will use this in planning future services.



Through a partnership with the Adelaide Hills Vocational College, we have hosted weekly cooking classes for high school students, bridging the gap between education and practical life skills.

Our diverse School Holiday workshops encompass a wide range of activities, from cooking and creative writing to art and crafts, henna, and even Claymation, enriching the holiday experience. Our School Holiday Youth Space offered a safe and engaging environment for young people to spend time together.

The Homeschool Creative Writing, After School Art Workshops and Robotics workshops provide avenues for self-expression and creativity.

Through a partnership with Mount Barker Council and High School, a Leadership Program for Young People with a Disability empowered participants to cultivate leadership skills and self-confidence.

These programs support our commitment to nurturing well-rounded, capable, and empowered young individuals.



### Supporting Older People in our Community

Our commitment to the well-being of our older community members is reflected in our diverse array of programs. The Ageing Well Support Group offers a nurturing space for individuals to share experiences and resources, fostering emotional resilience. The Dementia Carer Support Group provides essential support and understanding for people caring for a loved one affected by Dementia.

Our Community Information sessions, featuring Scams Information from Sapol as well as important presentations from Council of the Ageing, Aged Rights Advocacy Service, Community Visitors Scheme, and Arthritis SA, equip older community members with vital knowledge and resources.

The Men's Cooking program not only hones culinary skills but also cultivates social connections. These programs collectively underscore our dedication to addressing the specific needs and aspirations of older individuals, ensuring their continued engagement, support, and enrichment within our community.



### Celebrating Diverse Cultures

Mount Barker Community Centre takes great pride in Celebrating Diverse Cultures. Through initiatives like Parenting in Australia, we have fostered a sense of unity by acknowledging the varied perspectives and experiences that enrich our society. In partnership with an emerging community group, Multicultural Community Adelaide Hills, we have supported a series of multicultural dinners, celebrating shared stories and cultural exchange. Our Indian Cooking sessions not only tantalized



taste buds but also deepened our appreciation for the intricate traditions that shape global cuisines. Another highlight was the Multicultural Family Cricket Day, held in partnership with Mount Barker Council and SA Cricket Association where young people had the opportunity to learn some new skills while having fun on the cricket field.



### **Duck Flat Community Garden**

Duck Flat Community Garden is a beautiful space for people to spend time in nature, located in the heart of Mount Barker. The garden offers a range of programs providing opportunities for learning, growth, and friendship. The Duck Flat Nature Playgroup offers a nurturing space for young ones to engage with nature while fostering early connections with gardening. "Growing Food and Friendships" symbolized the heart of our garden, where participants cultivate not only



fresh produce but also enduring relationships through participation in gardening and cooking programs. The "Intro to Horticulture" workshop imparted essential gardening skills, enhancing participants' knowledge and confidence. "Start your own veggie patch" was a workshop empowering individuals to embrace sustainable practices and take the first steps towards self-sufficiency. Collectively, these programs celebrate the intrinsic bond between people and nature, promoting a healthier lifestyle, valuable skills, and a strong sense of community.



### **Reconciliation**

Mount Barker Community Centre is dedicated to Reconciliation through meaningful initiatives that bridge cultural divides. Our Basket Weaving and Aboriginal Art workshops celebrated traditional Aboriginal craftsmanship, facilitated intercultural connections and provided opportunities for participants to increase their cultural knowledge.

We sourced funding through the Department of Human Service Exceptional Needs Unit to deliver an outstanding 2-day cultural safety and awareness training. This was attended by Centre staff and staff of partner agencies including Community Connections Program Partners and Council Community Development staff. This training was a great opportunity to build our cultural awareness and build partnerships.

### **Sports and Leisure**

Our sport and leisure programs engage and invigorate our community members. The new Table Tennis program showcases friendly competition and skill development, fostering a lively social atmosphere. Walking Football brings together individuals of varying abilities in a modified yet spirited version of the sport, emphasizing teamwork and enjoyment. The introduction of Chair Yoga adds a new dimension to our offerings, catering to those seeking gentle yet effective exercise and relaxation. These programs collectively emphasize inclusivity, physical activity, and overall well-being.

We continue to offer regular tai chi, yoga and exercise classes on a weekly basis.

**Around the region** MBCC supports communities throughout the Mount Barker District. Through partnership with Mount Barker Council and the local community, we have supported the Brukunga Community by hosting a community event including regenerating the garden at the Hall. The newly revived residents association has recently started to install a community garden.



Through the work of a Haven volunteer, MBCC has started a community pantry on Monday mornings in Macclesfield, providing much needed access to free food for the community. We continue to offer Hahndorf exercise classes and the Nairne Nifty fifties social group. Through a partnership with Peet, the Bluestone development company, we have delivered a range of school holiday activities in the Bluestone area.

### **Volunteers**

None of these community programs and services would be possible without the input and support of our dedicated volunteers. We appreciate our volunteers in aspects of the organisation from the Reception Desk to the Laratinga Community Shed, Duck Flat Community, ReVamp Shop, The Haven and all programs and services on offer through Mount Barker Community Centre. Thankyou for your contribution.

Through this diverse range of community programs for different cohorts of the population around the region, we have created a platform for individuals to connect, learn, and thrive. By addressing local needs and facilitating meaningful interactions, we have witnessed the emergence of stronger social bonds and a sense of shared purpose. This section of the report encapsulates the heart of our centre's mission— To offer responsive and inclusive opportunities and supports for the community to participate in and to develop connections.





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# **Mount Barker Family House Inc**

**ABN: 23 813 343 808**

## **Financial Statements**

**For the Year Ended 30 June 2023**

**Mount Barker Family House Inc**

ABN: 2381 334 3808

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## **Committee's Report**

**30 June 2023**

Your committee members submit the financial report of Mount Barker Family House Inc. for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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

*Kathleen Hutchinson*

*Mick Jenner*

*Michael Stapleton*

*Gunhild Jonsson*

*Sean Hames*

*Lynne Hall*

*Philomena Taylor*

*Yasir Arfat (resigned March 2023)*

*Carolyn Boyd*

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the incorporated association during the financial year were to promote community well-being by integrating community development and health promotion throughout the provision of low cost courses and programs for people to gain support and information, progress with personal development, build networks, share knowledge and learn new skills.

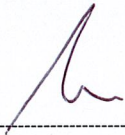
### SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

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

### OPERATING RESULT

The Surplus/(deficit) amounted to \$107,595, 2022: \$(124,819).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.



*(Executive officer)*

Member



*(Chair of Board)*

Member

Dated this

*21<sup>st</sup>*

day of

*August*

2023

**Mount Barker Family House Inc**

ABN: 2381 334 3808

**Statement of Profit or Loss  
For the Year Ended 30 June 2023**

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
<b>INCOME</b>			
General Revenue		59,137	31,610
Grants		406,407	293,114
Membership Income		694,511	551,731
Funding Income		294,809	236,859
		<u>1,454,864</u>	<u>1,113,314</u>
<b>Other Income</b>			
Interest		270	10
Cash Boost and Job keeper payment		-	3,000
Donations		11,041	11,336
Catering & Miscellaneous		2,022	6,107
Utilities Fees - Groups		50,462	30,582
ACE consortium		15,820	24,180
CC Other income		-	5,375
CC- Apprenticeship Claims		91,566	-
Total Other Income		<u>171,181</u>	<u>80,590</u>
Total Income		<u>1,626,045</u>	<u>1,193,904</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Accounting / Consultancy Fees		6,329	7,223
Wages & Salaries Expenses		1,135,421	949,709
Equipment Expenses		65,845	36,302
Insurance Expense		10,347	9,499
Administration Expense		126,248	172,294
Other Expenses		174,260	143,696
Total Expenses		<u>1,518,450</u>	<u>1,318,723</u>
<b>(DEFICIT) / SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>		<u>107,595</u>	<u>(124,819)</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**Mount Barker Family House Inc**

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**Statement of Financial Position****30 June 2023**

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash	4	69,982	37,119
Receivables		14,945	17,706
GST Asset	7	-	210
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>84,927</b>	<b>55,035</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Fixed assets		25,283	25,283
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>25,283</b>	<b>25,283</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>110,210</b>	<b>80,318</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Employee Entitlements	5	96,134	100,382
GST Liabilities	7	8,640	-
Other Payables	6	40,709	31,964
Unearned Revenue		-	91,664
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>145,483</b>	<b>223,800</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>145,483</b>	<b>223,800</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>(35,273)</b>	<b>(143,482)</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained Earnings		(142,868)	(18,663)
Current surplus (deficit)		107,595	(124,819)
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>(35,273)</b>	<b>(143,482)</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**Mount Barker Family House Inc**

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**Statement of Changes in Equity  
For the Year Ended 30 June 2022**

2023

	Note	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2022		(142,868)	(143,482)
Prior year adjustment		(614)	-
Surplus for the year		107,595	107,595
Balance at 30 June 2023		<u>(35,887)</u>	<u>(35,887)</u>

2022

	Note	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2021		(18,663)	(18,663)
Surplus for the year		(124,819)	(124,819)
Balance at 30 June 2022		<u>(143,482)</u>	<u>(143,482)</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## Mount Barker Family House Inc

ABN: 2381 334 3808

### Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)		909,307	636,474
Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		(1,513,742)	(1,292,653)
Interest (paid)/received		270	10
Donations received		11,041	11,337
Grants received		625,987	565,588
Net cash used in operating activities		<u>32,863</u>	<u>(79,244)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		32,863	(79,244)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		<u>37,119</u>	<u>116,363</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year		<u><u>69,982</u></u>	<u><u>37,119</u></u>

## Mount Barker Family House Inc

ABN: 2381 334 3808

# Notes to the Financial Statements

## For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

### 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements cover Mount Barker Family House Inc as an individual entity. Mount Barker Family House Inc is a not-for-profit Association incorporated in South Australia under the *Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985* ('the Act').

#### Basis of Preparation

In the opinion of the Committee, the incorporated association is not a reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements.

These are special purpose financial statements that have been prepared for the purposes of complying with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985. The committee have determined that the accounting policies adopted are appropriate to meet the needs of the members of Mount Barker Family House Inc.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements specified by the Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') and the disclosure requirements of AASB 101 'Presentation of Financial Statements', AASB 107 'Statement of Cash Flows', AASB 108 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors', AASB 1048 'Interpretation of Standards' and AASB 1054 'Australian Additional Disclosures', as appropriate for not-for-profit oriented entities.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values, or except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

#### a. **Income Tax**

The association is exempt from tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act.

#### b. **Fixed Assets**

Fixed assets are brought to account at cost. The committee does not consider it necessary to depreciate the furniture and fittings at this time.

#### c. **Employee Entitlements**

Provision is made for the incorporated association's liability for employee entitlements arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee entitlements expected to be settled within one year together with entitlements arising from wages and salaries, and annual leave which will be settled after one year, have been measured at their nominal account. Other employee entitlements payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those entitlements.

Contributions are made by the incorporated association to an employee superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

#### d. **New Accounting Standards and Interpretations not yet mandatory or early adopted**

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet mandatory, have not been early adopted by the incorporated association for the annual reporting period ended 30 June 2023. The incorporated association has not yet assessed the impact of these new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations.



## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

### **For the Year Ended 30 June 2023**

#### **2 Economic Dependency**

The incorporated association receives significant funding from the Government. The extent to which the Association will be able to continue its future operations is dependent on the continuation of appropriate levels of Government Funding, the achievement of surpluses and positive operating cash flows.

#### **3 Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments**

Those charged with governance make estimates and judgements during the preparation of these financial statements regarding assumptions about current and future events affecting transactions and balances.

These estimates and judgements are based on the best information available at the time of preparing the financial statements, however as additional information is known then the actual results may differ from the estimates.

The significant estimates and judgements made have been described below.

##### **Key estimates - provisions**

As described in the accounting policies, provisions are measured at management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period. These estimates are made taking into account a range of possible outcomes and will vary as further information is obtained.

##### **Key estimates - receivables**

The receivables at reporting date have been reviewed to determine whether there is any objective evidence that any of the receivables are impaired. An impairment provision is included for any receivable where the entire balance is not considered collectible. The impairment provision is based on the best information at the reporting date.

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>4 Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>		
Cash on Hand	<b>250</b>	250
Cash at Bank	<b>69,733</b>	36,869
	<b>69,983</b>	37,119

# Mount Barker Family House Inc

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## Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
<b>5 Employee entitlements</b>		
Provision of Annual Leave	49,858	57,485
Superannuation Payable	4,873	555
Provision of Long Service Leave	41,403	42,342
	<u>96,134</u>	<u>100,382</u>

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
<b>6 Other Payables</b>		
PAYG Withholding Payable	16,748	14,294
Workcover Payable	24,085	17,823
ATO Payments to Verify	(363)	(363)
	<u>40,470</u>	<u>31,754</u>

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
<b>7 GST Liabilities(Asset)</b>		
GST Collected	16,834	11,013
GST Paid	(8,182)	(11,211)
Rounding Adjustment GST	(12)	(12)
	<u>8,640</u>	<u>(210)</u>

### 8 Contingencies

In the opinion of the Committee, the Association did not have any contingencies at 30 June 2023 (30 June 2022: None).

### 9 Events after the end of the Reporting Period

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

### 10. Remuneration of auditors

During the financial year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the incorporated association:

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Review services – PKF Adelaide		
Review of the financial statements	<u>3,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>

### 11 Related Party

In the opinion of the Committee, the Association did not have any related party transactions at 30 June 2023 (30 June 2022: None).

## **Mount Barker Family House Inc**

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### **12. Association Details**

The registered office and principal place of business of the incorporated association is:

Mount Barker Family House Inc

3 Dumas St

Mount Barker SA 5251

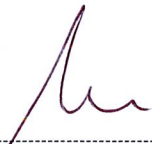
## Statement by Committee

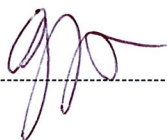
The Committee has determined that the incorporated association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the board the financial report as set out on pages 1:

1. Presents fairly the results of the operations of Mount Barker Family House Inc as at 30 June 2023 and the state of its affairs for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Mount Barker Family House Inc 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:

 (Executive officer)  
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**Member**

 (Chair of Board)  
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**Member**

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 2023

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

To the members of Mount Barker Family

### Report on the Financial Report

We have reviewed the accompanying financial report of Mount Barker Family House Incorporated, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023, the statement of profit or loss, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year 2023 ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement of committee.

### Responsible Entities' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the registered entity are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act) and for such internal control as the responsible entities determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial report based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2415 Review of a Financial Report: Company Limited by Guarantee or an Entity Reporting under the ACNC Act or Other Applicable Legislation or Regulation, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the financial report does not satisfy the requirements of Division 60 of the ACNC Act including: giving a true and fair view of the registered entity's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and its performance for the year 2023 ended on that date; and complying with the Australian Accounting Standards and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022 (ACNC Regulations). ASRE 2415 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the review of the financial report.

A review of a financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirement of the ACNC Act. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the ACNC Act, which has been given to the responsible entities of Mount Barker Family House Incorporated, would be in the same terms if given to the responsible entities as at the time of this auditor's report.

### Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us to believe that the financial report of Mount Barker Family House Incorporated does not satisfy the requirements of Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the registered entity's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its financial performance for the year 2023 ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022.

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Yi Jia Tan CA, RCA  
Director – Audit and Assurance  
21 / 8 / 2023  
Lvl 9, 81 Flinders St, Adelaide SA

## Operational Statistics

### Room Hire 2022-23

<b>Venue / Room</b>	<b>Number of Bookings</b>	<b>Total Hours</b>
Interview Room	235	1083.75
Board Room	187	361
Lounge	75	222.25
Kitchen	4	16.5
Training Room	198	558.75
Large Activity Room	276	646.25
Meeting Room	2	240
Brukung Hall	40	81.75
Duck Flat Studio	21	73.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>1171</b>	<b>3562.75</b>

### Volunteer Hours 2022-23

<b>Volunteer Area</b>	<b>Volunteers</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Board of Management	9	368
Reception	22	2575
Program Tutors / Coordinators	12	1493
Duck Flat Gardeners	32	3441
Men's Shed	9	4230
Revamp	23	6151
Women's Information Service	14	969
<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>19227</b>

# MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY CENTRE

## ORGANISATIONAL CHART

