



Annual Report 2017/2018



Acknowledgement

Ngala kaaditj Whadjuk Noongar moort keyen kaadak nidja boodja We acknowledge the Whadjuk Noongar people as the original custodians of the land on which we live and work



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Reconciliation WA acknowledges the traditional custodians of country throughout Western Australia and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respect to them, their cultures, contribution; to Elders past, present and emerging.

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Strategic Partner Projects include:

- Social Reinvestment
- Wadjemup
- Story telling
- Education
- Leadership & Reconciliation

Future focus:

Securing State Government support

Members

Partners

Projects

Measurement and evaluation

Who We Are

Reconciliation WA (RWA) is an independent state-wide not-for-profit organisation providing leadership, advocacy and support to people and organisations driving the movement for Reconciliation in Western Australia (WA). Reconciliation WA's vision is for a better future for First Peoples and the broader Western Australian community. Our organisation works to grow the pool of people engaging powerfully in the reconciliation movement. Reconciliation WA facilitates respectful relationships enabling social, cultural and economic opportunities for First Peoples and the State.

The Vision and Purpose of RWA provide the foundation on which our decisions and activities are based:

Opportunities

VISION	to create a better future for our State; built on respectful relationships which foster social, cultural and economic opportunities for First Peoples and the broader Western Australian community.	
PURPOSE	through leadership, advocacy and relationships, to be the catalyst organisation in creating opportunities with our members and stakeholders to effect Reconciliation outcomes across the State.	
VALUES	integrity, respect, inclusion, collaboration and innovation in everything we do.	
APPROACH	convene opportunities to engage communities which galvanise progressive efforts to positively transform cultural, social and economic outcomes for Western Australians and our First Peoples.	
creating a foundation of		

Respect

Pillars of Reconciliation - Reconciliation Australia

Relationships



Co-Chairs Report



Reconciliation WA Board 2018

At our core, RWA is focused on the creation of social, cultural and economic outcomes that help develop a State where the culture, rights and contribution of First Peoples are valued and respected. As an organisation, we aspire to be part of a State that celebrates strong respect and positive relationships between our First Peoples and the wider WA community, as the critical building blocks of practical social, cultural and economic outcomes and community wellbeing.

In August 2018, RWA completed our work to define a clear business strategy and resulting Membership Plan. We are now embarking on the most significant member initiative in our short history, to expand our base of individual and corporate members, and to introduce an important new Friend category.

Whilst this work was being undertaken, we continued to have a very busy year, with Yokai Employment, Retention and Supply Improvement Forums, Leadership in Reconciliation workshops, and our series of critical "awareness-raising" events held during National Reconciliation Week.

This year, over 300 people sat shoulder to shoulder at the State Function Centre in Kings Park to engage in celebration, sober reflection and learning around the national theme, "Don't let History be a Mystery". Together with the Reconciliation Walk around Elizabeth Quay later on that May morning, RWA continue to reach more Western Australians each year than ever before.

The Co-Chairs are particularly proud of the early work performed during the year on longer term projects, including support for formative conceptual planning for Wadjemup, engagement with UWA MBA students regarding business case development for social reinvestment opportunity, and support for many organisations as they pursue their Reconciliation Action Plan accreditation. During the year, our small staff team has had the chance to develop into a high quality team, thanks to the funding support of a small number of our members who have generously ensured that RWA continues its good work across the State. We are now in a place where we can finish our updated website, introduce our online payment capability, adopt our updated brand and logo profile, and engage more powerfully in a social media context. On behalf of the Board, Carol and I truly appreciate the efforts of these important people, led by our CEO, James Back.

We would like to extend our thanks to our current members for their ongoing contribution to our organisation – without you, we would not be able to carry on our work.

In the year ahead, we hope to successfully engage with Government regarding an operating funding position, and importantly, we will be asking the entire WA community to come on board and join the Reconciliation movement by joining RWA. We hope to work with you to help create a better future for our First Peoples and the wider community of Western Australia.

Gary Smith Co-Chair

Carol Innes Co-Chair

CEO Report

This year the Reconciliation WA Board and Executive has sharpened our clarity of purpose publishing a new Business Plan which will guide the Organisation through to 2021. It defines how RWA will engage the reconciliation community to deliver a suite of strategic projects driving best practice reconciliation efforts across our State and grow the pool of people participating collaboratively on this journey; extending our reach and impact. This, our second Annual Report, explores the past year's journey with you – our members; and gives some clear direction into the future for Reconciliation here in Western Australia.



We currently deliver against a number of these projects by collaborating with our members and partners, enabling our virtual capability and realising the potential goodwill organisations commit to advance their Corporate Social Responsibility. Whilst this creates opportunity for transformative lived experience for our members and partners – their staff and communities it importantly delivers material outcomes for people striving

and aspiring to live lives with value and purpose.

My highlight this year was again during this year's National Reconciliation Week; themed "Don't Keep History a Mystery". Reconciliation WA drove a substantive and material journey for our community with over 300 leaders joining us for a breakfast and discussion around the role of truth in reconciliation at the State Reception Centre in King's Park. Later in the day, we were joined by over 4, 500 people at Elizabeth Quay, a show of solidarity to foster relationships and create respect exploring young Noongar artists interpretation of the 6 seasons of Noongar Whadjuk Boodia as we walked around the Quay. This was an opportunity to deepen peoples' commitment to their reconciliation journey – personally and professionally, through their organisations reconciliation frameworks Reconciliation Action Plans and Narragunawali – the RAP in schools framework. The ambience on the day was one of hope and aspiration and healing - the energy palpable, as the smoke and stories wove through the crowd. Through Relationships, Respect is fostered and from Respect comes Opportunity – the national framework for RAPs in action.

This past year has clearly demonstrated that when we share with hope and aspiration, we can affect the change we want to see in our world – in 2017 the Uluru Statement from the Heart was delivered from a collective First Peoples across the Country. It is a profound, articulate and reasonable ask of our Federal Government. Of itself, this Statement stands to be Australia's Declaration of Independence – Our Statement of Reconciliation. At this point in time, it is certainly unfinished business and should be considered perhaps our invitation to reconciliation – demonstrating yet again the resilience and strength of our First Peoples. I implore you to read this statement, to engage with it and share it with your colleagues, friends and family. Join us to ignite this national discussion.

With the support of our members and partners, RWA has navigated a very difficult funding environment to secure operational funds through to June 30, 2019. We are presently the only State Reconciliation Secretariat in the Country not receiving any investment from its State Government. We are hopeful that this will change from July 1, 2019 – there is a presently a Business Case in with the State to support our efforts from this period in a co-funded and sustainable manner that demonstrates a return on investment up to 5 times for every one dollar invested.

The RWA team is steadfast in its resolve to deliver to our aspirant reconciliation agenda. Carol Innes (RWA Co-Chair) and Ezra Jacobs (RWA Board Member) both represented RWA at the Australian Reconciliation Network this year, hosted in Brisbane and came back energised; communicating a high level of thought leadership and activity being generated here on the West Coast positively influencing the national agenda and strategic direction. This would not be possible without the generous professional and passionate offerings and efforts of the Board, staff and volunteers that make us who we are – thank you all very much for your sustained efforts and resilience.

Reconciliation is simply the right thing to do. It is with pride we share this Annual Report which articulates the extended reach and efforts of our Organisation into the community. As always, we recognise we are standing on the shoulders of giants – you, our members and partners. I trust you too are energized by the information presented here within.

Kind regards,

James Back CEO

Reconciliation WA Moving Forwards

Business Plan (2018 to 2021)

In 2018, a major strategic review of the Reconciliation WA direction and activities was completed. From this, a new 3-year Business Plan was developed. A significant product of the business plan is a clearly articulated stakeholder engagement strategy with an attainable and sustainable funding strategy.

This positions Reconciliation WA to more effectively engage with our members, partners and other stakeholders to bring to life strategic projects which bring us closer to achieving our vision of a reconciled Western Australia.

Stakeholder Engagement

Reconciliation WA have published a stakeholder engagement strategy that includes opportunities to become friends, members and partners of Reconciliation WA.

All members will enhance our credibility and leverage to extend the depth and breadth of our influence on the reconciliation movement in the State and the social, cultural and economic indicators emanating from this.

Reconciliation WA aims to grow and sustain membership that is diverse and representative of the State of Western Australia and has developed membership options to reflect this.

Fireside - Stakeholder Relationships

The traditional Noongar symbolism depicted here demonstrates how Reconciliation WA engages all Western Australians on our collective reconciliation journey.

Our Members • • Ensure a mandate for, and success of RWA's activity and democratic governance.

Our Friends Enhance RWA's leverage and power when advocating for a reconciled State across all sectors of our community.

• Our Partners are

integral to our success. Their steadfast commitment to reconnecting our state is demonstrated through their social responsibility portfolio. Partners may contribute to RWA operational costs, making them critical enablers of our continued efforts to advance reconciliation across Western Australia. Partners bring reconciliation efforts to life funding RWA's Prioritised StrategicProjects.





Fire/Meeting Place



Our Performance; Brand & Operations



• The Community All Western Australians are invited to connect deeply to the place we share and call our home - our karlup the fireplace.

The RWA Board, Executive and Staff Our Board provides counsel, sound governance and upholds Who We Are our vision, purpose, values and approach. The Executive and Staff deliver our operations and Partner Projects.



Elders and Hosts

Reconciliation WA Moving Forwards

Brand Refresh

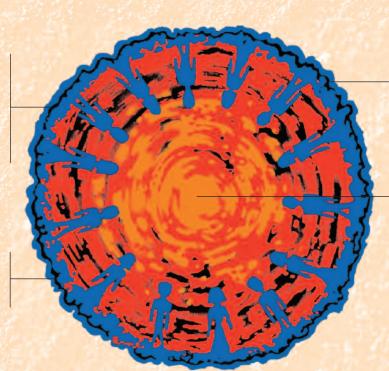
During this year's National Reconciliation Week, RWA launched its new brand and website.

We thank Noongar artist, businessman, reconciliation champion and RWA Board Member Barry McGuire for the captivating and engaging design:



The blue image around the edges represents us all as human and from the same origin - that our blood all bleeds the same colour no matter what nation we once called home we are all the same. Reconciliation is about bringing a balance to life.

The blue represents the fact that water is 85 - 90% of our human form and that water is a part of everything within the environment we call home.



The circular formation represents the endlessness of our human existence.

The sun represents that we all live here under the sun together and it draws a link to Reconciliation Australia.

Barry McGuire

Reconciliation Highlights: 2018



Reconciliation WA exists as a catalyst for societal change, with a focus on the development of a strengthened spirit and embrace of Reconciliation between Aboriginal and Non-Aboriginal Peoples. Some of the key activities and highlights in 2018 led by Reconciliation WA included the National Reconciliation Week Breakfast, Walk for Reconciliation, Yokai Employment and Retention Forum and Run for Reconciliation.

National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) runs annually each year from 27 May – 3 June. These two dates mark two important milestones in Australia's reconciliation history: The 1967 referendum and the historic Mabo decision, respectively. During NRW, all Australians are invited to reflect on our First Peoples culture, contribution and history. The 2018 theme served the Historical Acceptance Dimension of Reconciliation.

'Don't keep history a mystery' challenged Australians to explore the role of truth as part of the collective reconciliation journey. Reconciliation WA Staff and Board supported many organisations through active advocacy for NRW and participation at NRW events.

National Reconciliation Week Breakfast

Reconciliation WA's Annual NRW Breakfast provided an opportunity leaders on Noongar Whadjuk Boodja, to explore the current state of Reconciliation in WA and promote collaborative opportunities to advance reconciliation.

At this years' highly successful event, 285 senior leaders from across WA came together at Kings Park where a Welcome to Country was delivered by Dr Richard Walley OAM and attendees had the opportunity to discuss reconciliation with a panel formed by Hon. Fred Chaney, Roni Forrest, Prof. Simon Forrest and Glen Kelly.



"Congratulations to all involved around this Reconciliation Day, a very informative breakfast and walk, both events lifted my spirits, my determination and my understanding, so triple win for me." CRAIG SPENCER Head of Community Engagement Bank West

Reconciliation Highlights: 2018



Walk for Reconciliation

The Walk for Reconciliation is an annual community event organised by Reconciliation WA. It aims to provide a visible and immersive cultural experience built around the theme of NRW and is a demonstration of commitment to build respectful relationships with Australia's First People.

"Story telling is the key communication channel for our future. Well done on the calibre of story telling by the speakers and in the booklet."

KATE O"HARA Director and Chief Brand Officer of Hawaiian

This year 4,500 community members participated in the Walk for Reconciliation which concluded on the banks of the Derbal Yerrigan, at Elizabeth Quay. Local First Peoples artists, Elders and performers guided community members through the six seasons of the Noongar Nation and explored this important seasonal connection to their culture. This opened an opportunity for people to connect more deeply to this place they call home.





Yokai Employment and Retention Forum

"Yokai" is a Noongar call to action. The Yokai Employment and Retention Forum was initiated to provide a platform for organisations across the Western Australian community to challenge how they engage with First Peoples and ensure the unique rights of First Peoples are recognised and upheld.

Forums are comprised of presentations exploring lessons learned in Aboriginal employment and retention, followed by collaborative sessions discussing the different challenges, barriers and successes across and within different sectors.

Throughout the year, over 140 organisations and businesses from across all sectors of the community interested in sharing learned lessons came together at the various Yokai Employment Forums.

We would like to thank our 2018 host organisations; Department of Training and Workforce Development, Rio Tinto, LandCorp, Jackson McDonald and Wungening Aboriginal Corporation. "Hosting a Yokai Employment Forum has helped crystallise the need for more strategic alignment with education partners and female participation with Rio Tinto operations."

CASSY HOWARD Superintendent Indigenous Employment Strategy (Act.), Communities & Communications, Rio Tinto



Reconciliation Highlights: 2018



Run for Reconciliation

2018 marked the 5th consecutive Run for Reconciliation (R4R) as part of the Chevron City to Surf. Since the Project's inception, RWA has worked alongside the event coordinators to integrate cultural awareness and recognition of place on Whadjuk Noongar Country. It is now seen as a fundamental component of the delivery of this successful event.

This year over 350 runners, staff, artists and volunteers came together under the Run for Reconciliation Banner to acknowledge and celebrate First Peoples culture at one of Perth oldest running events.

"Running for Reconciliation is important to me as it is a simple and powerful way to raise awareness that we can all contribute to reconciliation in some way. Simply having the conversation is a tremendous start. Once the conversation starts we realise that we can all contribute to Reconciliation and 'closing the gap' between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians."

CLIFF MCKINLEY R4R team member 2018



Growing Participation in Reconciliation

Reconciliation WA works to grow the number of people engaging powerfully in the reconciliation movement. Some of the activities included:

Apology Day

Reconciliation WA launched the **'Truth and Reconciliation' video** created in partnership with ICEA to commemorate the **10th Anniversary of the Apology** made by Former Prime Minister Kevin Rudd. This had a significant reach on **social media** and is now available as an **online resource** for interested parties.

Life-Style Festivals

Inspiring Australians Breakfast

Reconciliation WA and **Auspire**, in partnership with the **City of Perth**, launched Australia Day celebrations on January 23rd of this year. Delivering a culturally sensitive and enlightening event in the City's Gardens.

First Peoples of Western Australia were powerfully represented at the event, as over 200 community leaders gathered to take the **steps towards creating a better future for WA.**

Noongar Yamitji artist Acacia Collard created a large sand mural that depicted her interpretation of what a **unified and inclusive Australia** looks like – one that we are all proud to call **home**. All in attendance were invited to participated in the Waitj Dance led by performers Baldja Moort. A highlight was to stand and look up at the City's Office building to see a significant number of staff observing the activity unfolding throughout the event. The City were at a final draft point for their **first Reconciliation Action Plan**, which was launched during National Reconciliation Week. The appetite of the City to learn more and engage powerfully was obviously evident at this event.



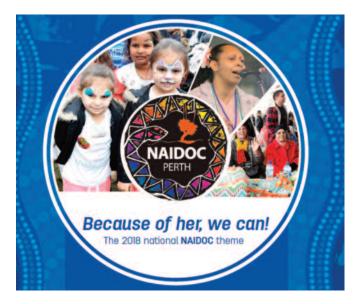
Some of our collaborative opportunities included:

NAIDOC WEEK WA Police Flag Raising Ceremony

RWA's Co-Chair, Carol Innes, was invited to speak at the **West Australian Police's flag raising ceremony** as a part of their NAIDOC week proceedings. All present were pleasantly surprised and powerfully moved by **Commissioner Chris Dawson's Apology to our First Peoples** for the role of police injustices both past and present. In his apology he made an **explicit commitment** to right the wrongs of the past on a reconciliation journey moving forwards.

Chevron NAIDOC Ball 2018

RWA Board Members and staff attended the Chevron NAIDOC ball that marked the culmination of NAIDOC week activity celebrating this year's iconic theme **"Because of Her We Can".**



Growing Participation in Reconciliation

City of Rockingham NAIDOC Community Event

RWA staff were invited to participate in the City of Rockingham's **NAIDOC celebrations** that featured **Welcome to Country** by Theresa Walley, as well as **performances** by Urban Indigenous and David Pigram.



Enabling Reconciliation Through Education Sorry Day

Reconciliation WA built an **online teaching resource** to help **enable schools** across WA learn and commemorate the Stolen Generations. This was extended through our networks at the Department of Education, Catholic Education WA and The Association of Independent Schools of WA.

Perth Natural Resource Management "Connecting through Country and Culture"

Reconciliation WA Project Officer Jade, was invited to speak at the Perth NRM's **"Connecting through Country and Culture Seminar"** to examine the role of reconciliation in education.



Building Capability in Reconciliation

FCM Travel Solutions Wanslea Gift Hand-Over

RWA was proud to host **a handover of gifts** from FCM Travel Solutions to Wanslea for their distribution to children and families in the Wheatbelt area.



Social Reinvestment

RWA delivered a successful presentation pitch on Social Reinvestment to a group of intensive MBA students from the University of Western Australia. RWA has worked with this team to **develop a culturally appropriate, evidence-based Business Case** informed through the use of **mega-data** to shape a **Social Reinvestment agenda.**

RWA's role has been as a **conduit and catalyst** to bring resource and capability to Social Reinvestment WA and as a member of this, advance works towards a **co-design trial reinvestment site implementation.** The MBA students' efforts have been **invaluable** to this end.

Elevating Reconciliation

WALGA South West Native Title Settlement & Local Government

Of the 139 of Local Government Authorities in WA, 102 operate on Noongar Boodja. Reconciliation WA and WALGA have been collaborating actively to bed down **a culture of reconciliation within Local Government Authorities and develop place based reconciliation initiatives**, owned and delivered by Local Government. With South West Australian Land and Sea Native Title Settlement drawing near, and acknowledging the Sydney Law Reviews' declaration that this is Australia's first example of a treaty, it is imperative Local Government engages with local community and the Noongar people to release societal and economic outcomes for all.

Reconciliation WA is working to catalyse action in collaboration with WALGA to effect this Local Government RAP. Uptake data is supporting evidence this is having effect.

Submission to Joint Select Committee

RWA submitted our discussion paper to the Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Reform to Acknowledge First People's in the Constitution. This is available for review on our website.

RWA Board & Staff

2018 Reconciliation WA Board:

Carol Innes - *Co-Chair* Gary Smith - *Co-Chair* Ian Hobson - *Treasurer* Barry McGuire - *Board Member* Hon Fred Chaney AO - *Board Member* Verity Sebire - *Board Member* Alan Carter - *Board Member* Ezra Jacobs - *Board Member* Irina Cattalini - *Board Member* Pamela Thorley - *Board Member*

2018 RWA Staff:

James Back - *CEO* Rosalie Ritchie - *Executive Support and Administrative Officer* Samuel Evans - *Project Officer* Jade Thompson - *Project Officer* Rebecca McGinty - *Finance Officer*







A huge and heartfelt thank you to the following staff and volunteers that dedicated their time and effort to Reconciliation WA this year:

Attila Bak - Design/Videographer Claire Birch - Social Media and Marketing Jill Joske - Executive Administrator Juliana Espinosa - Project Planning and Support Kira Knight - Project Officer Leslie Embleton - Communications and Events Management Mathew Bryce - Project Planning and Support Nic Hobson - Project Officer Norman Jackson - Photographer Rachel Pemberton - Communications and Messaging Renee McQue - Executive Administrator Sandie Knight - Finance Officer Shannon Barr - Project Planning and Support

Thanks



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Reconciliation WA would like to thank the following Elders and Leaders of the First Peoples community whose contribution in the past 12 months has significantly grown the reconciliation movement in WA:

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- Danny Ford
- Ingrid Cumming
- Koolangkas Kreate
- Len Collard
- Marissa Verma
- Neville Collard
- Rev Sealin Garlett
- Richard Walley OAM
- Robyn Walley-Smith
- Roni Forrest
- Shaun Nannup
- Simon Forrest
- Urban Indigenous
- Walter McGuire

Thanks to Members & Partners

Reconciliation WA would like to thank our partners those whose contributions has enabled our footprint to reach thousands of people face to face in the past year of our operations. Your support is critical to the growth of our movement:

- Anglicare WA
- Bankwest
- BHP
- Caritas
- Chevron
- City of Perth
- Curtin University
- Department of Communities
- KC Australia
- KPMG
- Landcorp
- Lotterywest
- Mercy Care
- Newmont Australia
- Reconciliation Australia
- Red Cross
- Rio Tinto
- Shell
- St John of God
- St Vincent de Paul
- Uniting Care West
- Uniting Church
- Wesfarmers
- Woodside

Acknowledgement of Partners

Individual Members:

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- Dean Carslake
- Debra Pedley
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- Gareth King
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- Gordon Cooper
- Helen Todd
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- Jane Dalton
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- Robert Plummer
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- Ross & Carole Elliot
- Sarah Hamer
- Sarah Mumme
- Senator Sue Lines
- Sharon Andrews
- Sheryl Carmody
- Stephen Sharpe
- Suzanne Brown
- Thomas Rex Henderson
- Vanessa Pack

Organisational Members:

- Auspire (Australia Day Council)
- Avivo
- Blue Lab Learning Spaces
- Broadspectrum
- BUPA WA
- Caera Projects
- CBRE
- Chevron Australia
- Child and Adolescent Health Services
- City of Fremantle
- City of Kwinana
- City of Perth
- City of Rockingham
- Committee for Perth
- Communicare
- Community Legal Centres Association (WA) Inc
- Curtin University
- Department of Aboriginal Affairs
- Department of Training & Workforce Development
- Early Childhood Australia WA Branch
- East Metro Perth Reconciliation Group
- Empired Limited
- Flight Centre Travel Group/FCM Travel Solutions
- Hawaiian Pty Ltd
- Indigenous Consulting Group
- Jackson McDonald
- Kid's Camps Inc trading as Cahoots
- King & Wood Mallesons
- KPMG
- Life Without Barriers
- Main Roads Western Australia
- MercyCare
- One World Centre
- RAC WA
- Rio Tinto
- Ruah Community Services
- Save The Children Australia
- Schlumberger Australia Pty Ltd
- Shell Australia
- South32
- St John of God Health Care
- St Patrick's Community Support Centre
- St Vincent de Paul Society (WA) Inc
- Thiess Pty Ltd
- UnitingCare West
- WA State Office, Dept Foreign Affairs
- Wanslea
- Water Corporation

Woodside

- Westpac
- Wungening Aboriginal Corporation

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Youth Affairs Council of WA

Call to Action

Reconciliation WA supports the Uluru Statement from the Heart and encourages our community to help realise the outcomes of the statement.

Show your support by signing up at 1voiceuluru.org

ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART

We, gathered at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention, coming from all points of the southern sky, make this statement from the heart:

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tribes were the first sovereign Nations of the Australian continent and its adjacent islands, and possessed it under our own laws and customs. This our ancestors did, according to the reckoning of our culture, from the Creation, according to the common law from 'time immemorial', and according to science more than 60,000 years ago.

This sovereignty is a spiritual notion: the ancestral tie between the land, or 'mother nature', and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were born therefrom, remain attached thereto, and must one day return thither to be united with our ancestors. This link is the basis of the ownership of the soil, or better, of sovereignty. It has never been ceded or extinguished, and co-exists with the sovereignty of the Crown.

How could it be otherwise? That peoples possessed a land for sixty millennia and this sacred link disappears from world history in merely the last two hundred years?

With substantive constitutional change and structural reform, we believe this ancient sovereignty can shine through as a fuller expression of Australia's nationhood.

Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are aliened from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future.

These dimensions of our crisis tell plainly the structural nature of our problem. This is the torment of our powerlessness.

We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country.

We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution.

Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination.

We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making between governments and First Nations and truth-telling about our history.

In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard. We leave base camp and start our trek across this vast country. We invite you to walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future.

For additional information about the Uluru Statement from the Heart and to explore what it means to you: reconciliation.org.au shareourpride.org.au 1voiceuluru.org recwa.org.au

Financial Summary FY 17/18

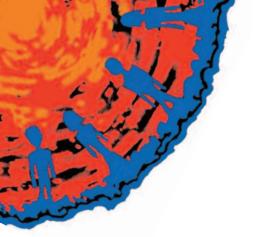
Sponsorship income	\$262,914
Grant Income	\$225,463
Donation/Gift Income	\$13,900
RECWA membership	\$49,016
Interest received	\$802
TOTAL INCOME	\$552,094

Sponsorship 48%.....

Membership **8%**..... Donations/Gifts **2%**.....

Grant Income 42%....

Operating Budget \$552,094



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