



2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT





The Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional owners and custodians of the lands on which we live and work.

We pay our respects to Elders past and present and extend this to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people seeing this message.

ALWAYS WAS, ALWAYS WILL BE ABORIGINAL LAND.

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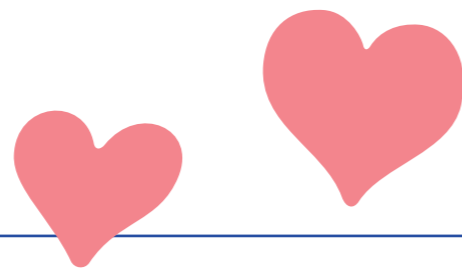
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FUNDERS & SUPPORTERS

OUR MEMBERS

Members are at the heart of all YACWA does and achieves - we can't do our work without you.

The collective voice of our membership lends power to our submissions, our advocacy and our theory of change. We'd like to thank the diverse group of organisations and people who support YACWA's mission, alongside the many young people and individual sector professionals committed to uplifting young people in Western Australia



MAJOR FUNDERS



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Department of **Communities**



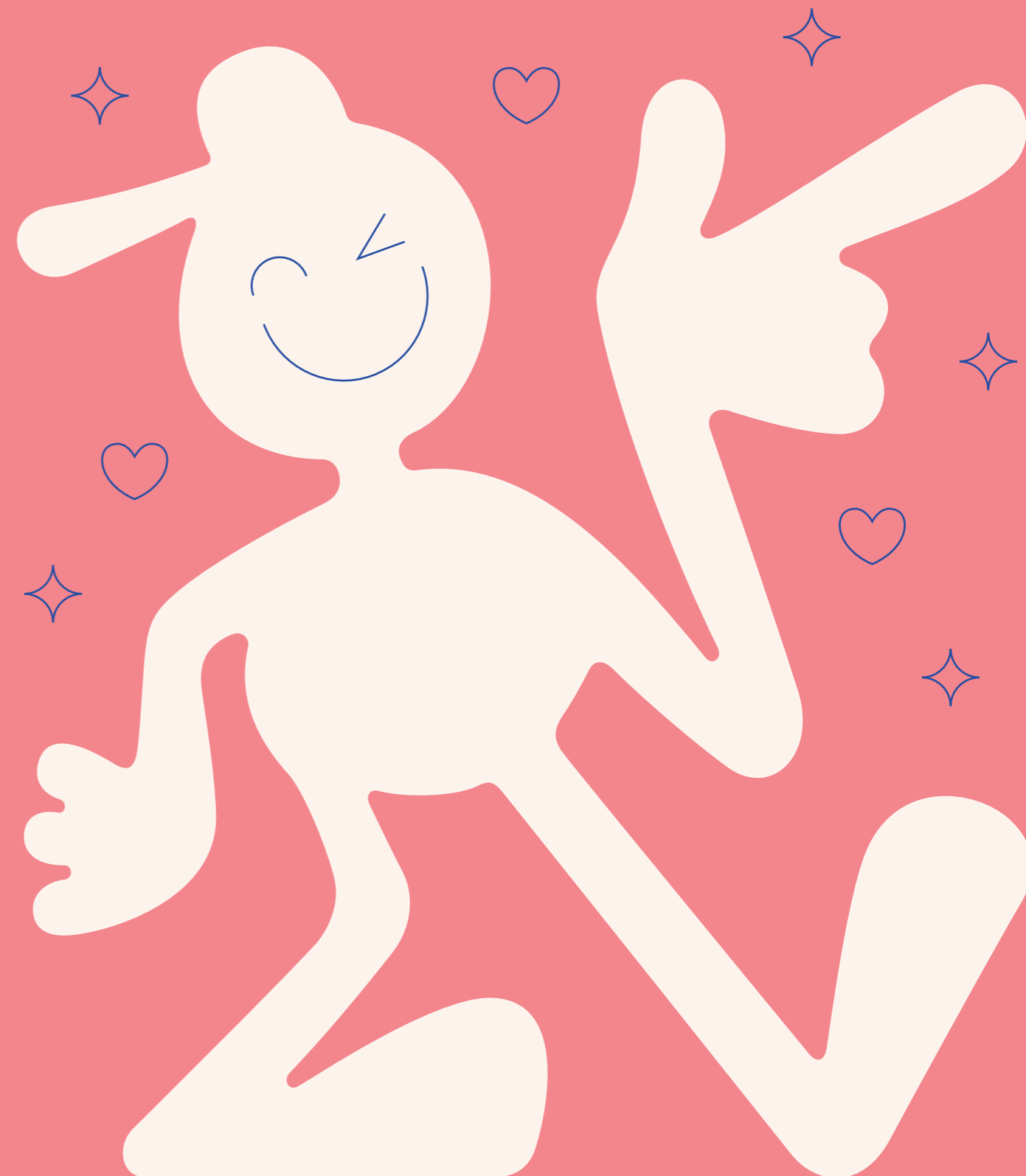
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Department of **Health**



FUNDERS & SUPPORTERS

- Australian Childhood Foundation
- Australian Electoral Commission
- Carers Association of WA
- City of Bayswater
- City of Canning
- City of Cockburn
- City of Fremantle
- City of Kwinana
- City of Melville
- City of South Perth
- City of Vincent
- Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industry
- Edith Cowan University
- Mental Health Commission
- Mercy Community Services Limited
- Multicultural Youth Advocacy Network (Australia)
- NEAMI National
- Nous Group Pty Ltd
- Propel Youth Arts WA
- Shire of Christmas Island
- SSJG Ministries Inc.
- Starick Services INC
- State Library of Western Australia
- Town of Victoria Park
- Uniting Church in the City
- WA Aids Council
- YMCA WA
- Youth Action
- Youth Futures WA

THANK YOU



A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO & CHAIRPERSON

The Board was excited to appoint Sandy McKiernan as YACWA's new CEO, following the resignation of Ross Wortham in December 2021. After acting in the role for a period of six months, the Board was keen to leverage Sandy's unique background and strong leadership to continue to guide YACWA through another period of growth and development in 2021-22.

Importantly, YACWA has moved to establish three priority areas to focus our efforts to achieve change:

- Housing and Homelessness;
- Youth Justice; and
- Mental Health.

Within each of these priority areas there have been significant wins in ensuring the voices of young people and the sector were at the centre of decision-making. This includes the co-hosting of a Director-General Roundtable on Youth homelessness, thanks to the leadership of Mike Rowe from the Department of Communities. YACWA also led a youth consultation project to inform the Youth Justice Services Strategy through Nous Group, as well as leading the Young People's Priorities for Action co-design project in partnership with Connection and Wellbeing Australia and the Mental Health Commission.

Thanks to the generous support of Lotterywest, this past year saw YACWA's expansion into the regions through Regional YACWA, allowing a renewed focus for the organisation to embed regional voices and expand our reach. Highlights include the hosting of a Midwest Youth Sector Forum in Geraldton and building sector engagement in the Great Southern ready for its forum later in 2022. Additionally, approximately 100 sector workers attended our September 2021 State of the Youth Sector Forum, with representation from MPs across the political spectrum and key public service executives.

These activities support the development of key documents such as pre budget submissions and help focus our advocacy agenda.

A major sector capacity activity this year saw YACWA distribute \$350,000 (in partnership with Lotterywest) into the sector through our inaugural Small Grants Scheme. Projects were metro, regional, remote and provided much needed funds to support our sector to build sustainable futures for some of our most vulnerable young people.

YACWA's youth consultancy continued to partner with organisations to create impactful outcomes for young people across WA. Of note is YACWA's highly successful Voting Party project run in partnership with the Australian Electoral Commission to engage young people in the lead up to the 2022 Federal Election.

These achievements would not be possible without the tireless efforts of all those who contribute to YACWA's mission. To our wonderful staff, volunteers, Board and members, thank you for your deep commitment and dedication towards achieving our vision of "A society where all young people feel valued and are supported to develop, thrive and reach their greatest potential".

Georgie
GEORGIE CAREY
Chairperson



S McKiernan
SANDY MCKIERNAN
CEO



STRATEGIC PLAN 2018 – 2023

OUR VISION

A society where all young people feel valued and are supported to develop, thrive and reach their greatest potential.

OUR PURPOSE

To safeguard the rights of young people, especially those most marginalised, and to strengthen the youth sector that supports them.

OUR PILLARS

- 1** We support young people to be heard
- 2** We support services to be effective
- 3** We generate policy and solutions
- 4** We create advocacy through action

WHO WE ARE

The Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia (YACWA) is the peak non-government youth organisation in Western Australia.

We operate primarily as a human rights organisation that seeks to address the exclusion of young people in a rapidly changing society. Our continued vision for Western Australia is one that celebrates, respects and engages young people and their voice in all aspects of community and governance. Our role is to strengthen the trust, cooperation, collaboration, professionalism and voice of the non-government youth sector to better serve the young people of Western Australia.

YACWA aims to be a united, independent and active advocate for the non-government youth sector and young people that is both supported and respected by the sector and the wider community. Focusing on young people's varied needs at local, State and Federal Government level, YACWA works to engender and enhance positive community attitudes towards young people. We provide a voice and act as a role model for the definition and demonstration of youth participation. Our work is governed by four guiding values – respect, equity, integrity and the celebration of diversity.

MULTICULTURAL YOUTH ADVOCACY NETWORK WA



MYAN WA held its third Catalyst Youth Summit in September 2021. The one-day summit saw 20 multicultural delegates and 8 youth leaders, all aged 18 – 25, come together to discuss 4 key issues they face and propose solutions to these issues.

These issues were:

- Access to opportunities
- Discrimination
- Mental health
- Sense of belonging

With the guidance of the youth leaders, delegates focussed on defining the challenges, impacts and solutions to these issues and went on to present their findings and suggestions to key stakeholders in WA. This was followed by a networking afternoon tea, where guests and delegates were invited to connect further.

EVENT & ACTIVITY SNAPSHOT

- 3 forums all featuring youth and sector speakers – impacts of Covid-19 on CaLD youth (online), representation and opportunities for CaLD young people, how to support LGBTIQ+ CaLD young people
Total attendees across the 3 forums = 58
- 7 newsletters to over 200 MYAN WA members on the mailing list

- Partnered with YDAN and YPN to hold the Inclusive Iftar event
- Received funding from OMI to run capacity-building training for young people as a follow up to Catalyst
- Ran a COVID-19 vaccine attitudes consultation with CaLD young people for MYAN Australia
- Flew to Melbourne to meet with MYAN Australia's State and Territory Advisory Network and the Youth Advisory Network to connect and discuss key priorities for the Network and collaboration opportunities
- Did an interview that was filmed, with Department of Health for their Cultural Lens Training resource on cross-cultural communication in sexual health with CALD youth.

SOCIAL MEDIA

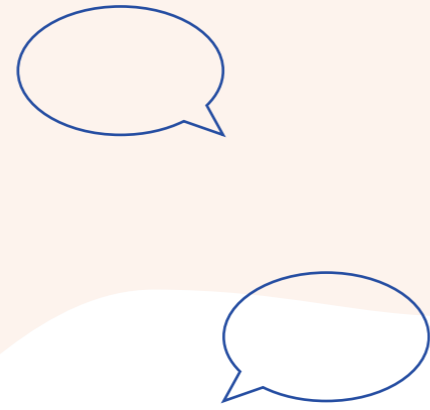
On Facebook:

- Facebook page reach 4664 (increased 36.1% in this period)
- 1400 followers
- 180 new page likes in this period (increased 66.7%)

On Instagram:

- Instagram reach 393 (increased 92.6% in this period)
- 300 followers
- 37 new Instagram followers in this period

YACWA CONSULTANCY



The 2021/2022 period has again been one of strategic growth for YACWA's consultancy work. Consultancy is now a well-established and core part of YACWA. We are known as the 'go to' place to assist with best practice youth engagement, and clients continue to approach us for multiple pieces of work. YACWA helps organisations come up with unique, bespoke approaches to involving young people in decision making. Our consultancy work is grounded in youth-led responses, and we continue to employ a team of youth consultants.

YACWA'S CLIENTS IN 2020/21:

- Australian Childhood Foundations (ACF)
- Australian Electoral Commission (AEC)
- City of Canning
- City of Fremantle
- City of Kwinana
- City of Melville
- City of Vincent
- City of South Perth
- City of Subiaco
- City of Swan
- Department of Communities
- Department of Education and Waste Reduction
- Inclusion Solutions
- Mental Health Commission
- Nous Group
- Starick Services
- State Library of WA
- Town of Victoria Park
- WAAC

THE HIGHLIGHTS

Bespoke work

YACWA prides ourselves on developing bespoke pieces of consultancy for our clients to solve unique challenges they face with youth engagement. In the lead up the 2022 federal election, WA staff from the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) approached YACWA wanting to get more young people enrolled to vote, turning up to vote and also signing up to be part of the Temporary Election Workforce. In response, we developed an exciting six-month project, which included a fun, youth-friendly website Voting Party to conduct all our promotional efforts under, some focus groups, and a range of creative social media campaigns using Instagram and TikTok. Some of our posts went semi viral, such as the post announcing the close of the electoral roles (shared more than 2,200 times). The result of this project was a report with 30 recommendations to the AEC!

Strategy Development

In 2021/22 YACWA continued to be sought after to deliver Youth Plans and Strategies, especially for local government authorities. We were delighted to work with the City of Melville to deliver their next iteration of the Directions from Young People Youth Strategy 2022-2025. In this strategy development YACWA worked with eight young peer researchers from the City to embed youth-led engagement in the consultation process. The result is a Strategy with the vision that 'young people are a visible, connected and respected part of the City of Melville' community, with a new, paid Youth Steering Group convened to oversee and hold the City accountable for their delivery of this strategy over the next four years.

Youth engagement

YACWA is often engaged by organisations to lead the youth engagement component of a larger project, especially where the cohort needing to be spoken with has a number of risk factors or are harder to reach. In this financial year, YACWA was delighted to partner with the Australian Childhood Foundation (ACF) and Karla Kuliny and deliver a human centred design process for the development of two youth focused FDV counselling services. This work was for the Department of Communities. YACWA convened a lived-experience youth steering group who drove the youth engagement process from beginning to end and also held 28 one on one interviews with young people with lived experience of FDV.

Training

Answering queries about Youth Advisory Groups (YAGs) and supporting organisations to deliver best practice YAGs is a significant and increasing part of YACWA's work. In response YACWA was delighted to finish two new training packages in 2022 focused on the topic of YAGs. The first titled, Establishing and Running a Successful Youth Advisory Group supports sector staff to recruit diverse young people, explore the skills of the group, look at best practice and pitfalls to avoid as well as embedding the group in the organisation. The second titled Everything You Need to Know about Youth Advisory Groups, is for young people and aims to help them become knowledgeable, skilled and confidence in being part of a YAG or in setting one up. YACWA delivered these workshops to 66 sector staff and 59 young people. The development of this training was possible due to funding from the Department of Communities. This training can now be booked by sector staff for their organisation, or a network of organisations or for youth advisory groups.



REGIONAL YACWA

Regional YACWA is focused on strengthening relationships between YACWA and the regional youth sector and young people, amplifying regional voices in our advocacy work and supporting capacity-building and collaboration initiatives.

In the 2021-22 financial year, we are proud to have established YACWA's place-based presence in the regions, thanks to support from Lotterywest for a two-year pilot.

Our regional staff hit the ground running, conducting extensive stakeholder engagement in both regions to raise awareness of YACWA and build relationships with individuals, organisations and networks to understand the state of play in both regions. They gathered a comprehensive overview of strengths, challenges and priorities to better inform how YACWA could support the sector and young people. This was also translated into our end of year Pre-Budget Submission.

The inaugural Midwest Youth Sector Forum brought 60 youth sector representatives together to network and explore strengths, challenges and opportunities across key topic areas in their region. Key decision-makers were in attendance and the report captured discussions from the day that we are using to assist in advocacy. Post-forum, YACWA established the Midwest Youth Sector Interagency Meeting (MYSIM), which facilitates information sharing, networking and collaboration between youth sector representatives on a monthly basis since January 2022.

Setting up in the Great Southern included establishing strong connections beyond the city of Albany. Our project officer travelled through the Central Great Southern region (including Katanning, Gnowangerup, Tambellup) to engage with local community to start to understand the landscape for services and young people with a place-based approach. This groundwork supported our planning for two forums to be held in the second half of 2022 in Katanning and Albany.

YOUTH NETWORKS OF PRACTICE

Partnering with Skills of the Modern Age YACWA sought to explore how we can better support networking, collaboration, resource sharing and coordinated advocacy between youth sector staff across WA. This was the first stage in a co-design process with the next stage to expand on the insights gathered and co-design a solution in 2023.

- Connected 14 regional and 6 metro youth sector networks across the state
- 2 interactive online workshops with 30 sector representatives
- 8 deep dive one to one interviews



TOP: Attendees participate in workshop discussions at the Midwest Youth Sector Forum. **IMAGE CREDIT:** Glow Geraldton

BOTTOM: Attendees capture key strengths, issues and challenges at the Midwest Youth Sector Forum. **IMAGE CREDIT:** Glow Geraldton

YACWA SMALL GRANTS SCHEME

In partnership with Lotterywest, YACWA for the first time undertook a youth sector small grants scheme offering grants up to \$10,000.

It was recognised that COVID has cast a long shadow and the challenges facing young people and the youth sector that existed long before the pandemic set in; were exacerbated. The Grants targeted three key pillars:

- Capacity building and social support: Supporting young people, their families, and their communities to be happy and well.
- Creating sustainable jobs that build futures for young people: Supporting young people to thrive.
- Education, training, and community connection: Job creation and industry development.

The Grants Scheme attracted a total ask of \$657,234.15 from a pool of \$350,000. That such demand existed for a program from a first-time grant-maker, with a limited marketing budget, modest regional engagement and a tight six-week application window indicated to YACWA there continues to be unmet need in the sector. YACWA is negotiating to ensure an annual continuation of a small grants program for the sector.

STATS

75 Applications total \$657,234.15

- 39 successful – distributed \$350,000.
 - 36% regional projects
 - 38% supported mental health literacy or intervention
 - 46% helped develop life skills, financial literacy and managing relationships
 - 23% targeted youth employability



Transfolk of WA (www.transfolkofwa.org/)

Transfolk of WA received \$9,954 to run a pilot program of a weekly workshop and hangout group for up to 20 trans, non-binary and gender diverse young people over 10 weeks.

- *“I feel more confident in accessing other support groups and meeting new people within the trans and general LGBTQ+ community. I’ve been wanting to have a greater sense of community for a long time but haven’t felt confident enough to do so.”* - participant.
- Surveys among participants in weeks 1 and 10 found significant improvements including, but not limited to mental health, available support, and knowledge about social affirmation and gender expression.
- When asked about whether they had someone to talk to about their experience of being trans, gender diverse and/or questioning,
 - In week 1 - 33% answered either ‘strongly agree’ or ‘agree’
 - In week 10 - 100% answered either ‘strongly agree’ or ‘agree’



Kanyirninpa Jukurrpa (KJ) (www.kj.org.au)

Kanyirninpa Jukurrpa received \$10,000 to run Kids on Country, a pilot program designed to divert Martu young people (who live in the East Pilbara, including remote Western Desert communities to the east of Newman) towards pro-social activities through a number of On-Country camps fostering connection to Country, culture and language.

The young people have improved well-being through effects on several levels:

- Physically – eating healthily, drinking water, sleeping long, getting exercise; they are also having a break from sniffing solvents;
- Socially – they are held within a very safe, caring, Martu environment, with a lot of attention and are encouraged to speak about issues;
- Mentally – the mood of the young people improves markedly and they regularly express how happy they are to be out on country – they don’t want the trips to end;
- Culturally – the young people’s identity is powerfully reinforced by the Martu men or women accompanying them and they are taught a range of cultural knowledge and skills.
- *“It is very early, but the first four trips on country have provided strong evidence of improved wellbeing for the Martu youth. ...The impact of the trip on the young people was most eloquently expressed by the Martu adults, one of whom cried and one of whom said of one young teen ‘I haven’t seen him smile in two years’”.*

Comments from young people participating:

- *“I have air in my lungs!”*
- *“My kumpu (urine) is clear!”* (detoxed from sniffing)
- *“When is the next trip?”*
- *“Can’t we just keep going?”*

YOUTH EDUCATING PEERS

The Youth Educating Peers (YEP) Project is YACWA's Peer Sexual Health Project, providing harm reduction, evidence based, sex positive and inclusive sexual health education to young people and the youth sector. Despite the many challenges of COVID-19 YEP exceeded many of its KPI areas, as outlined by the Department of Health WA. YEP has been acclaimed across the youth and sexual health sectors as best in practice for youth sexual health engagement throughout the pandemic, particularly for its ability to pivot to online engagement, resource development and its increased capacity for negating young people from Sexual Health and Blood Borne Virus (SHBBV) target populations.

Key outcomes for the project for this year included,

- Secured a new tender for an additional 5 years of the YEP Project, in partnership with WAAC.
- Delivery of 25 professional development workshops and webinars to 384 Perth Metropolitan and 171 WA regional participants
- Delivery of 17 youth workshops and webinars to 146 Perth Metropolitan and 87 WA regional participants
- 2 regional trips, including Busselton, Albany
- Delivery of a large youth sector summit including presentations from 10 sexual health services on the theme 'Healthy relationships for young people and sexual health needs of subpopulations: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people, LGBTIQ+ young people, culturally and linguistically diverse young people (CaLD) and young people living with disabilities.
- Launch of YEP's Consent Cards Resource
- YEP's #SyphilisOutbreakWA Social Media Campaign and educational resources have reached over 70,000 views and has been well received by both the youth and sexual health sectors.
- YEP's is about to launch its new website in November, which houses hundreds of resources for the youth sector and young people.



POLICY & ADVOCACY

YACWA's core mission is to ensure young people's voices are at the heart of the decisions that affect them. It is important that we go beyond just consulting young people and start actively empowering young people in these processes.

In 2021-2022, YACWA's policy and advocacy spanned everything that related to young people, but with three key areas of focus:

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

With high rates of young people experiencing homelessness or housing instability, and inequality exacerbated through the COVID-19 pandemic, YACWA's goal has been to ensure youth homelessness is high on the agenda for state government.

Across 2021-22, YACWA advocated to address youth homelessness through:

- Co-hosting a Director-General Roundtable (in partnership with the Department of Communities) on youth homelessness to support an inter-agency approach to the issue.
- Submitting to the Inquiry into the Financial Administration of Homelessness Services.
- Supporting the WA Alliance to End Homelessness to have a youth focus.
- Publication of an Op-Ed in Parity magazine, highlighting the issue of youth homelessness.

YOUTH JUSTICE

Youth justice is an area of urgent reform in Western Australia. Our current system disproportionately impacts Aboriginal young people, fails to support positive outcomes for the community, and contravenes international human rights standards.

To support change, YACWA has:

- Supported the Raise the Age WA Campaign (via Social Reinvestment WA) to raise the age of criminal responsibility from 10 years to at least 14.
- Joined the Target 120 Executive Steering Community to provide youth sector insights into the management of the program.

- Contributed to the development of the Youth Justice Blueprint (launched in August 2022) to create policy solutions to youth justice.
- Published media releases and comments to raise awareness, including comment in The West Australian and ABC News.

MENTAL HEALTH

Mental health is a priority for young people – we hear this in every engagement we take, see it in emerging research, and face data that paints a picture of need for action. YACWA's goal is to make sure mental health investment matches the needs of young people and reflects the diversity of young Western Australians. This year we:

- Joined the Ministerial Taskforce into Public Mental Health Services for Infants, Children and Adolescents aged 0-18 Years in Western Australia on their Interagency Working Group.
- Partnered with Connection and Wellbeing Australia to lead a co-design project for the Mental Health Commission's Young People's Priorities for Action on Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drugs.

OTHER WORK

- Providing oral testimony to the Federal Senate Select Committee on Job Security.
- Contributing to the Children's Policy Advisory Council (CPAC) convened by the WA Council of Social Service.
- Providing a State Budget Analysis and State Budget Submission to inform government spending priorities.
- Engaging with a new Federal Cabinet, including the re-establishment of a Federal Minister for Youth.
- Representation on the Supporting Communities Forum and the Child Safe Organisations Working Group.
- Continuation of the Agency Network for Youth.

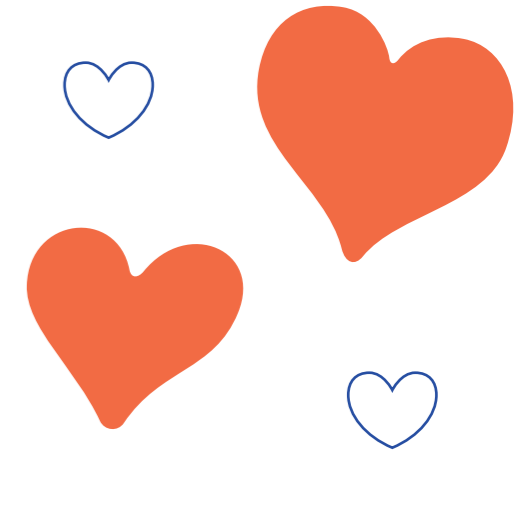


TOP: YACWA, Connection and Wellbeing Australia, and the Youth Steering Group for the Young People's Priorities for Action Co-Design meeting with then-Minister for Mental Health, Stephen Dawson.

BOTTOM: Bella Broadway (Connection and Wellbeing Australia) with the Youth Steering Group at the Metropolitan Youth Summit.

POLICY & ADVOCACY

YOUTH PRIDE NETWORK



The Youth Pride Network (YPN) is the peak body for LGBTIQ+ young people in Western Australia, with the end goal of creating a WA in which all LGBTIQ+ young people are fully included, accepted and celebrated by their community.

In 2021-22, YPN continued its work through advocacy to change policy, community education, and events to support connections among LGBTIQ+ young people. Key highlights included:

- Releasing the first 'State of Play' Report into LGBTIQ+ experiences within the youth accommodation system in WA, including a launch event which brought together government ministers, community organisations, and LGBTIQ+ young people and their friends and family.
- Co-hosting an LGBTIQ+ Directors-General on LGBTIQ+ young people's issues, thanks to the leadership of the Department of Communities.
- Leading a consultancy project for WAAC to define a Metropolitan-specific LGBTIQ+ safe space.
- Attending the Director-General Youth Homelessness Roundtable to represent the underserved needs of LGBTIQ+ young people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.
- Developing multiple policy submissions, including a joint submission with Ending Conversion Practices WA to the Inquiry into the Esther Foundation and unregulated private health facilities.
- Hosting an Inclusive Iftar in partnership with the Multicultural Youth Advocacy Network of WA and the Youth Disability Network, to create an inclusive space for young Muslim people to celebrate Ramadan.
- Partnerships with Freedom Centre, City of Vincent, Transfolk of WA, and more to create safe spaces for LGBTIQ+ young people.
- Publication of the award-winning LGBTIQ+ Legal Rights documents in partnership with Legal Aid WA.

SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

- Our social media reached: 43,630 people
- We had 4958 people visit our profile
- Our following grew by 704 people
- Our TikToks were viewed 41539 times
- On Instagram, our reels were viewed 30047 times



OUR PEOPLE

*as at 30 June 2022

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Georgie Carey (Chairperson, Under 26)

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Vik Jeyakumar (Dec 21)

Keisha Calyun (left mid term)



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Naomi Blitz

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Sandy McKiernan (Ex-Officio)



FINANCES

TREASURER'S REPORT



It is with pleasure that I present the financial statements for the Youth Affairs Council of WA (YACWA) for the period ending June 2022.

This report should be read in conjunction with the 2021-2022 Financial Report. The accounts audited by Butler Settineri are included in the annual report. YACWA's financial position has continued to strengthen, with increased income from i\$1,682,550 in the previous 2021 financial year to 2,152,608 in this financial reporting period.

YACWA's main source of income included Department of Communities, Department of Health and Lotterywest funding, whilst membership income saw a marginal increase. The Lotterywest support of YACWA's expansion to regional WA and Youth Sector Small Grants Scheme have generated opportunities for state-wide advocacy and organisational growth. Regional YACWA has allowed a new focus for the organisation in embedding the regional voice of young people on key advocacy issues and provided opportunity for professional growth and development of the team.

Expenditure for the 2022-2022 financial year was \$2,125,187 with the majority of expenditure spent on employee costs, sector-wide events and activities. YACWA's consultancy work has continued to expand beyond Board expectations and generated income on projects that continue to bring together the voice of lived experience and the sector.

Key projects include consultations on behalf of the Mental Health Commission Neami National and WAYA. YACWA's Statement of Profit and Loss denotes finishing the 2022-2022 financial year with a surplus of \$27,421 compared to the previous financial year of a surplus of \$67,723. I would like to extend thanks to YACWA CEO Sandy McKiernan, Finance Officer Gaurav Singh and the Finance Committee for their diligent management of the YACWA finances. This has supported the organisation to grow from strength to strength.

I would like to extend special thanks to the staff and YACWA team. It's their dedication and ongoing commitment to young people that drives new opportunities and supports YACWA to continue to do the important work it undertakes every day.

SHARON GOUGH

Treasurer

FINANCES

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income*.

**for the year ended 30 June 2022*

	2022 \$	2021 \$
INCOME		
Grant and Service Income	1,807,865	1,363,502
Interest	740	891
Conference and other income	322,376	190,942
Government Assistance- COVID 19	-	105,900
Membership Income	21,627	21,315
	2,152,608	1,682,550
EXPENDITURE		
Employee Benefits	1,401,656	1,072,111
Events & Activities	512,719	397,211
Occupancy	50,500	46,298
Depreciation	10,427	7,068
Vehicle and Travel Expenses	45,562	15,523
Financial and Insurance Costs	30,618	25,472
Impairment of Debtors	5,000	-
Administration and Other Costs	68,705	51,144
	2,125,187	1,614,827
Profit/ (Loss) before income tax	27,421	67,723
Income Tax Expense	-	-
	27,421	67,723
PROFIT/(LOSS) AFTER INCOME TAX		
Other Comprehensive Income		
Items that will not be reclassified to profit and loss	-	-
Items that may be reclassified to profit and loss	-	-
	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/ (LOSS) FOR THE YEAR	27,421	67,723



FINANCES

Statement of financial position*

*for the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,633,314	1,198,443
Trade and other receivables	287,114	147,860
Prepayments	53,401	24,779
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	1,973,829	1,371,082
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	13,739	-
Right of use Lease Assets	21,081	28,149
Rental Bond	10,010	10,010
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	44,830	38,159
TOTAL ASSETS	2,018,659	1,409,241
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	208,488	107,456
Provisions for Employee Entitlements	103,021	80,068
Project Funds Received in Advance	1,299,139	841,969
Lease Liability – ROU	7,067	6,729
Make Good Provision	20,000	20,000
Membership Paid in Advance	7,172	4,500
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,644,887	1,060,722
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Lease Liability – ROU	15,034	22,100
Provisions for Employee Entitlements	18,708	13,810
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	33,742	35,910
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,678,629	1,096,632
NET ASSETS	340,030	312,609
MEMBERS' FUNDS		
Retained earnings	340,030	312,609
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS	340,030	312,609

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Statement of changes in equity*

*for the year ended 30 June 2022

	Retained Earnings \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2020	244,886	244,886
Profit /(Loss) for the year	67,723	67,723
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2021	312,609	312,609
Profit /(Loss) for the year	27,421	27,421
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2022	340,030	340,030

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DIRECTORS DECLARATION

The Directors have determined that Youth Affairs Council of WA Inc 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 of the financial statements.

The directors declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes present a true and fair view of the Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia Inc financial position as at 30 June 2022 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act (Western Australia) 2015 and the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission Act 2012 the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and

2. To the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia 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 directors.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.

Chairperson: **Georgie Carey**



Treasurer: **Sharon Gough**



Dated this day: **02 / 11 / 2022**

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