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distributed to
42 projects
in 2016.



SOUTH WEST
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT 2015 - 2016



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

It is my pleasure to present the Chair's Report on the 9th Year of the Foundation's operation.

2015/2016 has been a good but steady year, most notable for changes in our personnel. Three of our longest serving Directors retired at the end of last year: Wayne Krause, our long term Treasurer; Craig Midgley, our first Executive Officer and subsequently a valued Director; and, Helen Paatsch, an original Director and champion of the Colac Sub-Fund. Their collective wisdom is sorely missed.

We have however been extremely fortunate in being able to gain three new Directors with broad regional experience: Doug Parker who is deeply involved with the Mortlake community; Robyn Alexander, with a rural background and from Colac-Otway Shire; and, Marion Truman who is very active in the community sector in Port Fairy. We are also currently seeking to increase the size of the Board by adding a further two Directors.

We welcomed a new Executive Officer, Karen Norris, early this year. Karen has settled into this demanding role extremely well. Our previous E.O., Linda Grant, had moved on to other things at the end of last year and the Board thanks Linda for her contribution to the Foundation.

2016 was another excellent year for the grants given. The Foundation was able to distribute a record \$150,042 in 42 grants across the region. Included in this total were 14 grants worth a total of \$54,200 funded by the David and Isobel Jones Foundation. This was also supplemented with another \$12,500 in Back to School grants that the Foundation administers on behalf of FRRR.

This year's grants ranged from a tree planting program at the Camperdown Showgrounds, restoration and interpretive signage at the historic bore at Merino, and a mobility trailer for the Colac SES, through to a training program for palliative care support workers in Warrnambool and funding for the building of a climbing platform around a large tree at the Alvie and District Kindergarten. All these projects add to the wellbeing and resilience of communities across our region.

Conversely, with the regional economy being under pressure and interest rates remaining low, donations have been down and investment earnings rather lean. As a result, maintenance of the granting has come at some cost to our total funds under management. For the first time total equity over the year dropped a little to \$1.98 million. Fund raising to grow the equity in the Foundation's Trust funds must be a major priority for the Board over the next couple of years.

Even then, at a time when governments are withdrawing from grassroots community support in many areas, the Foundation continues to provide an essential source of funds so that the community of south west Victoria can look after some of its own needs. This is the service a community foundation can provide.

Therefore, I would like to thank the sponsors and supporters, the donors, the Executive Officer and the Board for assisting in supporting the Foundation with this task.



Barrie Baker

Chair, South West Community Foundation

GOVERNANCE

South West Community Foundation Board of Directors volunteer their time and skills to the Foundation.

Directors for 2015-16:



BARRIE BAKER
(Chair)
Warrnambool



BRIAN TROTTER
(Deputy Chair)
Koroit



DR BERNADETTE
NORTHEAST
Warrnambool



LOUISE MANIFOLD
Camperdown



MARION TRUMAN
(joined May 2016)
Port Fairy



FELICITY MELICAN
(Company Secretary)
Warrnambool



BRAD HENDERSON
(Treasurer)
Hamilton



ROBYN ALEXANDER
(joined the Oct 2015)
Colac



DOUG PARKER
(joined Oct 2015)
Mortlake



KAREN NORRIS
Executive Officer

DR MAUREEN CONNOLLY-PITMAN (Oct 2015 - April 2016) Port Fairy

WAYNE KRAUSE (completed term end of 2015) Port Fairy

HELEN PAATSCH OAM (completed term end of 2015) Colac

BILL QUINLAN OAM (completed term end of 2015) Warrnambool

CRAIG MIDGLEY (completed term end of 2015) Port Fairy

ADVISORY COMMITTEES OF THE FOUNDATION

The Board has established Advisory Committees for its larger Sub-Funds. These Committees are responsible to the Board for:

- Assisting with fund raising for the Sub Fund and promotion of the Foundation in its region
- Identifying granting priorities in their areas of activity

Colac Region Sub-fund Committee

Membership: Director - Robyn Alexander (Chair), Committee: Shirley Carew, Greg Fletcher, Dianne Loubey, Victor Smith and Mary Stinchcombe

Koroit and District Sub-fund Committee

Membership: Director - Brian Trotter (Chair) Committee: Jim Madden, Laurence Gleeson, Lorraine Mielnik, Leon Carey



SOUTH WEST
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

OUR VISION

Strong community

OUR MISSION

Fostering a culture of philanthropy
to strengthen the communities of
south west Victoria.

OUR VALUES

Accountability, Integrity,
Collaboration, Inclusiveness



EURACK AVENUE OF HONOUR.
PHOTO BY SHIRLEY CAREW

ABOUT US

Vibrant, sustainable communities were part of Josie Black's vision for south west Victoria. She was a community leader and a strong advocate for education and training, health, regional tourism, arts and youth development. Her vision and commitment drove the establishment of the South West Community Foundation in September 2007

South West Community Foundation supports charitable activities in the community of south west Victoria. It provides a way for ordinary people to become philanthropists to support their community.

The Foundation has four Trust Funds: the Public Fund, Open Fund, Scholarship Fund and Disaster Relief Fund. All except the Open Fund are recognised as Deductible Gift Recipients (DGR) funds by the Australian Taxation Office meaning that donations can be claimed as tax deductible. All four are also Income Tax Exempt Funds (ITEF), this means the income from our investments is tax free and is returned to the community through our annual community grants.

The Foundation is structured as a public not-for-profit company limited by guarantee.



PORT FAIRY TO WARRNAMBOOL RAIL TRAIL COMMITTEE SHELTER
PROJECT 2016. PHOTO BY BRIAN TROTTER

MEETING OUR OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the South West Community Foundation are to:

- Build a substantial, permanent fund for charitable purposes in our region
 - Value of the corpus at 30 June 2015 \$1,983,639
- Manage and invest funds prudently to optimise income available for distribution
 - \$112,802 received in interest and dividends
- Provide a simple, cost effective way for people to make donations to their community

Individual donors contributed:

 - \$52,899 received in donations
- Distribute investment income to the community for charitable purposes
 - \$150,042.10 distributed to 42 projects

\$52,899



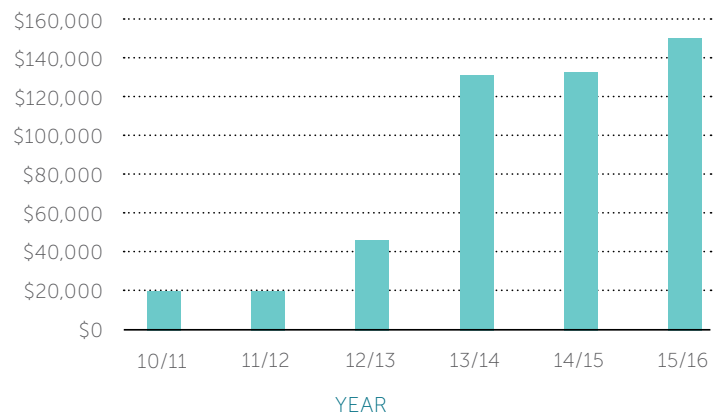
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donations
for the year

GRANTING 2015-16

The 2015-2016 financial year has seen the Foundation make grants in excess of \$150,000 for the first time.

Total grants from the Foundation to the south west community since 2007 are now over \$500,000.

GROWTH IN ANNUAL AND TOTAL GRANTING FOR LAST SIX YEARS:



2015-16 SOURCE OF GRANTING FUNDS



KOROIT PLAYGROUND. PHOTO BY BRIAN TROTTER

- \$14,873 Colac Region Sub Fund
- \$14,000 Deakin University
- \$54,200 The Isobel and David Jones Family Foundation
- \$42,365 Koroit and District Sub Fund
- \$24,603 South West Community Foundation Main Fund

2015-16 Granting cont.

Colac Region Sub-fund

Applicant	Project Name	Amount Allocated
Alvie and District Kindergarten	Climbing for Community	\$3,000.00
Barwon Child Youth and Family	Bringing the Natural Back	\$2,500.00
Colac and District Historical Society	Reprint of "A Further History of Colac 1830s-1930s" by Isaac Hebb	\$1,000.00
Eurack Recreation Centre - Avenue of Honour	Publication of the book "Eurack Avenue of Honour"	\$500.00
Colac and District Community Food Share	Food to Family Program	\$3,350.00
SES Colac	SES Mobility Trailer	\$4,523.00
Sub Total		\$14,873.00

Deakin University

Applicant	Project Name	Amount Allocated
Beyond the Bell - Valuing Education	Valuing Education	\$5,000.00
I CAN Network	I CAN South West Regional Pilot Program	\$5,000.00
Warrnambool Neighbourhood House	Lean On Me	\$4,000.00
Sub Total		\$14,000.00

Isobel and David Jones Family Foundation

Applicant	Project Name	Amount Allocated
Blue Whale Study	Marine Science Youth Mentoring Program	\$5,000.00
Disabled Surfers Association GSC	2016/17 Start Up Program	\$5,000.00
Realise Enterprise Tasty Plate	Food Trailer	\$5,000.00
Warrnambool and District Foodshare	Essential Staple Foods Guarantee to Needy Families	\$5,000.00
Warrnambool and District Historical Society	Purchase equipment for historical preservation	\$5,000.00
Warrnambool Clontarf Academy	Clontarf Bootcamp Fitness Session	\$3,500.00
Warrnambool East Primary School	True Grit	\$3,000.00
Wings of Hope	Distribution of Red Chocolate Elephant Books to Schools in South West Region	\$4,000.00
Ex Libris Port Fairy Book Fair Inc.	Winds of Change Story Writing Competition	\$5,000.00
Friends of Griffith Island	Spectacular Shearwater Sculpture	\$5,000.00
Friends of the Warrnambool Botanic Gardens	Germinating a Space: 150th Anniversary Commemorative Art Project	\$5,000.00
South West Victorian SEAL - Adult Literacy	Adult Literacy Support	\$1,100.00
South West Victorian SEAL - Community Kitchen Cooking Club	Community Kitchen Cooking Club	\$1,100.00
Warrnambool Symphony Orchestra	Planning for the Future	\$1,500.00
Sub Total		\$54,200.00

2015-16 Granting cont.



PHOTO BY KAREN NORRIS

Koroit and District Sub-fund

Applicant	Project Name	Amount Allocated
Beyond the Bell - Local Activities	Local Activities	\$5,000.00
Friends of St Brigid's Association	Hall Curtains for Crossley	\$2,652.80
Kirkstall CFA	Defibrillator	\$2,896.00
Kirkstall Recreation Reserve	Cooking Up Community	\$4,400.00
Koroit and District Historical Society	Photographic Wallpaper	\$750.00
Koroit Kinder	Signage Metal Art	\$740.00
Hawkesdale and District Family Service	Reviving language to research our future	\$3,500.00
Moyne Health Services - Moyne's Great Plate	Moyne's Great Plate	\$5,000.00
Moyne Shire - Leadership GSC	Leadership Great South Coast	\$3,500.00
South West Healthcare	Regional Palliative Care Service Carer Support Program	\$3,987.50
St Patrick's Primary School Koroit	Soundwave	\$4,939.00
Port Fairy Life Saving Club	Education and training room for volunteer surf lifesavers	\$5,000.00
Sub Total		\$42,365.30

South West Community Foundation Main Fund

Applicant	Project Name	Amount Allocated
Camperdown Pastoral and Agricultural Society	Little Miss Sunshine	\$3,969.50
Casterton Band	To become a member	\$2,814.30
GSCLLEN	Youth Wellbeing and Mentor Health Workshops	\$2,400.00
Merino Progress Association	The Merino Bore Site Enhancement	\$1,190.00
Warrnambool and District Community Hospice	Community Workshops - "End of Life Preparations - The Essentials"	\$4,230.00
Warrnambool and District Pipes and Drums Inc.	Uniform and equipment purchase	\$5,000.00
Western Victoria Jazz Productions	Port Fairy Jazz Festival	\$5,000.00
Sub Total		\$24,603.80

Grand Total		\$150,042.10
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MAJOR DONORS AND SUPPORTERS

Philanthropy means “love of humanity” and there are many ways to be a philanthropist – by volunteering, establishing memorials, making bequests, becoming benefactors, sponsors, contributing regularly through workplace giving or making one off donations.



MOYNE REGION.
PHOTO BY KAREN NORRIS

The Foundation recognises the following contributors in supporting their community:

Volunteers

The Foundation sincerely thanks all of this year’s volunteers for their support. Volunteers work with the Foundation to organise fundraising events, encouraging work place giving programs, serve on Foundation Committees and assist with raising awareness of the Foundation’s activities.

Memorials

The existing Foundation memorials are:

Phyllis Gough Memorial established in 2013

Phyllis Gough is remembered for her generous support of children in Hamilton and district.

Kate Armbruster Memorial established in 2012

Kate Armbruster is remembered for her support of environmental issues, community music and the needs of young people.

Josie Black OAM Memorial established in 2010

Josie Black OAM is remembered as the driving force behind the establishment of South West Community Foundation. Josie was actively involved in education and training, health, regional tourism, arts and youth development.

Frank Paatsch Memorial established in 2009

Frank Paatsch is remembered for his generosity and strong connection to the Colac community.

Benefactors

The Foundation’s named benefactors have donated a minimum of \$10,000 to the Foundation.

Robert and Louise Manifold

Robert and Louise wished to support the local geographic area and wanted to help people who live in south west Victoria.

Paatsch Family

The Paatsch family continue to support people who live in the south west community, especially in the Colac Region.

Felicity Melican

Felicity’s commitment to this region is not only highlighted by her contribution but also her commitment as a Director on the Board and also her involvement in many other regional Foundations.

Manintveld Family

A family with great interest in the Colac region and supporting positive outcomes through the Foundation.

Mr John Gall

Mr Gall has been a great contributor to the Foundation and the south west region.

Dr. Geoff Handbury AO

Dr. Handbury has been a great contributor ensuring continued support in the Greater Hamilton region.

Jigsaw Farms

Jigsaw Farms have become new contributors to the Foundation due to their interest in supporting communities within the Hamilton region.

SUPPORTERS

Workplace Giving

This year, in excess of \$3000 was donated by people participating in workplace giving at: Brophy Family and Youth Services, Moyne Shire Council and Warrnambool City Council. Thanks to volunteers, Francis Broekman, Kelly King, and Craig Midgley for coordinating the Workplace Giving Program in their workplace. The Foundation is keen to expand its Workplace Giving. Learn more about Workplace Giving at www.southwestcommunityfoundation.org.

GiveNow

Several donors have contributed via GiveNow. GiveNow is a secure online donation service operated by Our Community. It allows donors to make a once off or regular online donations to the Foundation. Learn more or make a donation at www.givenow.com.au/southwestcommunitysupport.

Sponsors

We extend our thanks to all the individuals and organisations that sponsor us, including but not limited to:

South West Local Learning and Employment Network Inc.

Deakin University, Warrnambool Campus

Moyne Shire Council

Crowe Horwath

Koroit Lions Club

Telstra Country Wide

Janah Administration Pty Ltd

Aussie Broadband

Wannon Water

Barwon Water

The local media for helping us tell our stories:

- ABC Regional
- Ace Radio
- Colac Herald
- Hamilton Spectator
- Hamilton Times
- Warrnambool Standard

Bulla Dairy Products

Northeast Stockdale and Leggo

Major Sponsors

The Foundation would like to thank these major sponsors for their considerable ongoing support:

Sinclair Wilson

Coffey Hunt Chartered Accountants

Partnerships

We extend our thanks to all the individuals and organisations that are our partners including:

Brophy Youth and Family Services

South West TAFE

South West Credit Union

Telstra – Howdy Warrnambool

Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal

"We make a living
by what we get.
We make a life by
what we give."

- Winston Church



GiveNow

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[www.givenow.com.au/
southwestcommunitysupport](http://www.givenow.com.au/southwestcommunitysupport)



COLAC WAR MEMORIAL



FINANCIALS

The full audited statement is available at
www.southwestcommunityfoundation.org
 or by contacting the Foundation
info@southwestcommunityfoundation.org

Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the year Ended 30 June 2016

	Note	2016	2015
Income			
Funding Income:			
Dividends		77,118	60,465
Fundraising		-	26,057
Grants Received		-	5,505
Donations	1	52,899	90,744
Interest/Trust Distributions		35,684	38,066
Profit on Sale of Non-Current Assets		3,957	-
Sponsorship		195	27,717
Sundry Income		2,710	2,206
		172,563	250,760
Expenditure			
	2		
Administrative Costs		9,611	13,023
Advertising and Marketing		7,763	1,975
Depreciation		601	825
Fundraising Expenses		-	21,158
Grants Paid		100,847	118,999
Insurance		1,934	1,946
Memberships and Subscriptions		419	438
Loss on Sale of Non-Current Assets		68,758	-
Payroll Costs		35,587	66,658
Scholarships		10,000	6,500
		235,520	231,522
OPERATING RESULT		- 62,957	19,238
Movement in Market Value of Investments		- 17,354	- 51,758
COMPREHENSIVE RESULT		- 80,311	- 32,520

Statement of Financial Position

For the year Ended 30 June 2016

	Note	2016	2015
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalent	3	664,820	816,877
Receivables		22,571	17,874
Total Current Assets		687,391	834,751
Non Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment		247	848
Financial Assets		1,321,749	1,236,497
Total Non Current Assets		1,321,996	1,237,345
Total Assets		2,009,387	2,072,096
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Payables		25,748	8,146
Total Liabilities		25,748	8,146
NET ASSETS		1,983,639	2,063,950
Equity			
Financial Assets Reserve		- 50,157	- 32,803
Retained Earnings		2,096,753	2,077,515
Net Income		- 62,957	19,238
TOTAL FOUNDATION FUNDS		1,983,639	2,063,950



Financials cont.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year Ended 30 June 2016

	2016	2015
(1) DONATIONS		
Deakin University	15,000	15,000
Individual Donors	37,899	26,994
Hanbury Foundation	-	48,750
	52,899	90,744

(2) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS		
Audit Fee	-	1,050
Bank Fee	14	214
Consultants Fees	-	2,000
Printing and Stationary	5,728	4,356
Telephone	678	467
Other	3,191	4,936
	9,611	13,023

(3) CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT

Cash and Cash Equivalents comprise:

Operating Accounts:		
Open Fund	97,924	22,807
Public Fund	18,532	32,371
Scholarship Fund	18,350	18,250
Disaster Relief Fund	200	100
TOTAL OPERATING ACCOUNTS	135,006	73,528

(4) TERM DEPOSITS

South West Credit	143,151	140,000
South West Credit	3,349	3,349
CBA	-	600,000
NAB	383,314	-
TOTAL TERM DEPOSITS	529,814	743,349

Foundation Funds

For the year Ended 30 June 2016

Foundation funds are represented as follows:

	2016	2015
PUBLIC FUND		
General	229,421	227,365
Colac Sub Fund	84,706	86,201
Isobel and David Jones Family Foundation	4,870	
Josie's Sub Fund	191,624	193,867
Koroit Sub Fund	-31,760	-14,461
Greater Hamilton Sub Fund	372	376
	479,233	493,348
OPEN FUND		
General	112,321	119,916
Koroit Sub Fund	1,054,562	1,091,626
Colac Sub Fund	278,503	289,497
Josie's Sub Fund	5,920	5,352
Greater Hamilton Sub Fund	49,418	49,995
	1,500,094	1,556,386
Scholarship Fund	4,205	14,108
Disaster Relief Fund	107	108
TOTAL FUNDS	1,983,639	2,063,950



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