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# **HISTORY**

The need for an alcohol and drug service was identified by the Anglican Church of Yarrabah and the Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council, in the late 1970's/early 1980's.

The original Yarrabah Rehab was located on Stanley Street, near the current Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council administration building.

The current location of the Centre was approved by the then Yarrabah Community Council, surrounding families and the Traditional Owners 'the Gunggandji People' at Juyuga. During this time the Gindaja Committee sought the support of Douglas House and was later incorporated as a separate organisation under the Aboriginal Corporations Act, in the name of Yarrabah Substance Misuse Aboriginal Corporation (YSMAC). In 2002, the Centre changed its name to Gindaja Substance Misuse Aboriginal Corporation.

Gindaja Treatment and Healing Centre has come a long way since these early days thanks to the dedicated work of many community members and volunteers, the Gindaja Board of Directors, the various funding bodies that have supported our mission and vision, and of course the deadly staff who have been so committed over the years to making Gindaja a 'safe and healthy place for our people to come'.

The service now has a streamlined professional approach and more programs than ever available to clients. The Residential Recovery Centre, located in the peaceful surrounds of Back Beach Road, Yarrabah, accommodates 17 clients for a rehabilitation period of up to 12 weeks (3 months).

Gindaja's Learning and Wellbeing Centre, located in the heart of the mission, provides non-residential day programs, case management and health education/promotion to all those in the community who seek out a safe and healthy support place for AOD issues.

Gindaja offers a holistic approach to the education, treatment, recovery and healing for individuals, families and community, from the destructive impact that alcohol and drug dependency has inflicted on our mob. This includes ongoing support and aftercare.



# **OUR ROLE**

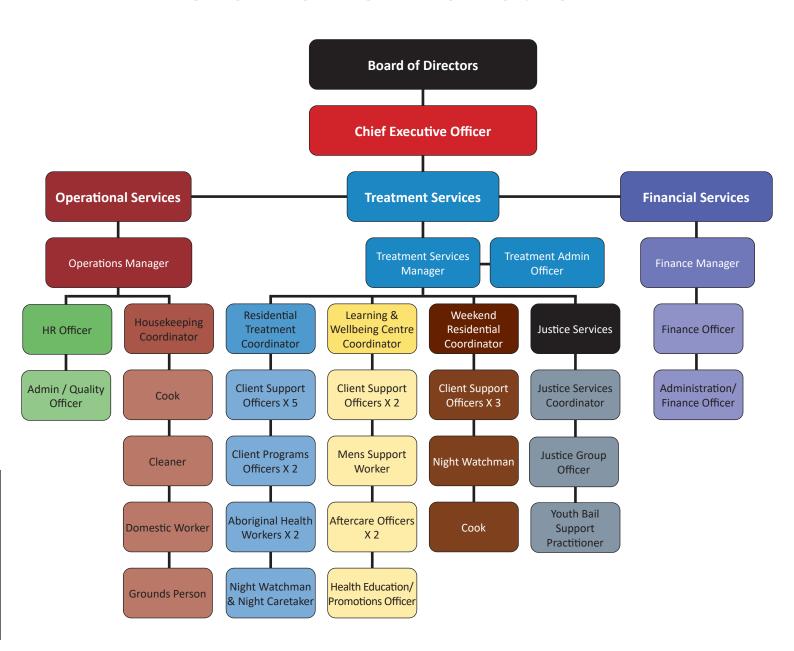
Gindaja's role in the community is to provide specialist alcohol and drug rehabilitation and related services.

## WHAT WE DO

"Gindaja is dedicated to improving the wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people impacted by problematic alcohol and/or substance dependency.

Gindaja provides AOD Education, Treatment, Recovery and Healing to people from Yarrabah and across the Far North Queensland Region, including the Cape and Torres Strait Islands. Gindaja operates a 17 bed Residential Recovery Centre as well as a day-based Learning and Wellbeing Centre in the central Yarrabah Township.

# ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE



# **VISION STATEMENT**

To create an alcohol and substance dependency-free lifestyle in the Yarrabah Community and beyond by offering a safe and healthy place for our people to come.

# MISSION STATEMENT

Gindaja provides culturally appropriate specialised care and support services in the areas of:

- Education
- Treatment
- Recovery
- Healing

to people with alcohol and substance dependencies in Yarrabah and surrounding communities.

# **VALUES**

#### COMMITMENT

Gindaja will deliver our services using best practice systems.

#### **HONESTY**

Gindaja will be honest and ethical in all our practices.

#### CONFIDENTIAL

Gindaja will ensure confidentiality in all practices to protect our organisation.

#### **EMPOWERMENT**

Gindaja will provide a setting that supports and strengthens all people associated or affiliated with Gindaja to be the best they can.

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

Gindaja will ensure our services are compliant to all stakeholders.

#### **CREATIVITY**

Gindaja encourages creativity as part of our organisational culture.



# CHAIRPERSON REPORT

It is with a sense of both pride and celebration that I present Gindaja's 2020-2021 Chairpersons report.

First, I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners, the Gunggandji people, on whose land Gindaja is situated, and honour our elder's past, present and emerging.

#### Governance

This year, the Gindaja Board continues to achieve a high standard of Governance oversight and direction, ensuring that all our compliance requirements as a Board are successfully met. Our yearly Directors calendar helps the Board to safeguard and maintain the key processes that sustain our 'good governance' model, including: inductions, strategic planning, CEO and BOD performance monitoring and risk management to name just a few. These, along with a host of other processes and protocols, ensure the Board is able to efficiently and effectively monitor Gindaja's progress against our organisational strategic goals and business plans.

#### **Strategic Planning**

This year we have come to the end of our 3-year, 2018 – 2021 Strategic Planning cycle. There were 5 strategic intents set by the Directors and against which the Management team have been able to achieve some great outcomes.

I know the Board is now looking forward to the next Strategic Planning cycle which will include an exciting phase of growth and infrastructure development over the next 3 years.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Gindaja Board for their hard work and commitment throughout the year. Finally, I would like to thank Management and our dedicated staff at Gindaja for making it all possible.

As always, if you, a family member or friend need assistance with an addiction please contact our services to start making a positive change in your family and community.

Chairperson
Mr Greg Fourmile



# **CEO REPORT**

First and foremost, I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners, the Gungandji Peoples, whose land Gindaja Treatment and Healing Indigenous Corporation is situated upon.

The name 'Gindaja' is Gunggandji language for the Cassowary - a strong, proud bird, that has inhabited our traditional lands for millennia and who plants the seeds for the rainforest to keep growing and regenerating. In the same way, Gindaja seeks to plant the seeds of hope, inner strength and growth for all our clients who come to us with a broken spirit because of alcohol and drug dependency.

Over the past year Gindaja has seen some great achievements and faced some noteworthy challenges that have required us to stand up and help protect the health and wellbeing of Yarrabah people. These achievements and challenges include:

#### **Achievements:**

- Successful infrastructure funding worth approximately \$7m for capitol development at both our Residential and Learning and Wellbeing Centre service sites
- Final leasing arrangements achieved with Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council for Gindaja's residential site on Back Beach Road
- New dedicated leased land for our LWBC
- Successful completion of our accreditation audits with both ISO 9001 (2015) and HSQF
- Another year of Unqualified Financial Audit Report
- Successful transition of financial services back to Mutkin Aged Care (congratulations Mutkin!)
- Development of new client data collection tools that improves our understanding and ability to analyze our client's experience of Gindaja
- Enhanced partnerships with other local organisations in our community efforts to protect against COVID 19
- Successful completion of our 3-year organisational Strategic Plan 2018 - 2021



# Challenges:







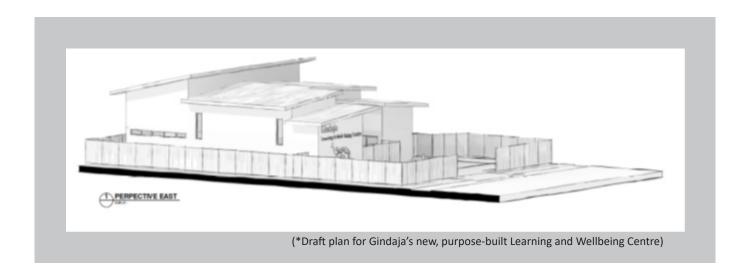


- Adjusting our business to operate in the new world of 'COVID Normal'
- Dealing with increased service and reporting requirements due to the impact of the COVID pandemic
- Facing inherent internal and external policy challenges that will ensure the safety of both staff and clients around COVID safe practices
- Developing a deeper understanding about the impact COVID-19 has had on our clients and services so that we may better adapt to new unmet needs

#### **Future Plans**

The next 3 years will see some very exciting developments and growth for Gindaja! These will include:

- Implementation of Gindaja's new 3-year Strategic Plan 2021 2024
- Overseeing the implementation of \$700k in joint infrastructure project funding with CHHHS (Cairns Hinterland & Hospital Health Service) to provide Emergency Community COVID-19 accommodation and enhance Gindaja's Model Of Care for our 'Step Up' Recovery Care program.
- \$1.7 million infrastructure project to build a new Learning and Wellbeing Centre on Workshop Road, Yarrabah, with 85% of funding provided through the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning Community Infrastructure Investment Partnership (CIIP)\*
- \$5 million funding from Queensland Health for urgent capital improvement works at our 24-hour Residential Rehabilitation Centre located at Back Beach Road, Yarrabah.



This year has been a unique and challenging year for the Board, management and staff in adjusting to new ways of operating. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our many stakeholders including: our funding bodies, peak representative bodies, our members and Directors and our committed team of staff. Without everyone's involvement, passion and support Gindaja would not be as successful as it is. I look forward to another great year of achievements and challenges for Gindaja in 2021/2022.

Chief Executive Officer
Ailsa Lively

# TREATMENT SERVICES REPORT

Over the 2020-2021 period Gindaja Treatment Services have been focussed on returning to 'business as usual' within a new world of 'COVID Normal'! Following the bio-security lock-down of Yarrabah, which ended in July 2020, Gindaja again began to accept referrals into the Residential Program. By December 2020 our numbers had gradually returned to something like normal. Over the year, however, announcements of QLD COVID hotspots and interstate lock-downs have impacted our client numbers. These conditions often meant having to reject client referrals, particularly from outside of the FNQ region.

# **Our Learning and Wellbeing Centre**

While this year's figures show a reduction in client contacts from what we normally report, it includes an 8-month period (from July 2020 – February 2021) in which Gindaja operated without a physical presence in Yarrabah for our Learning and Wellbeing Centre programs and team members. Our LWBC services during this time were therefore limited as we were unable to deliver some of our normal services due to a lack of appropriate space.

Our LWBC services finally recommenced in February 2021 following the purchase, construction and fit-out of a dedicated demountable building on our new 30-year leased land in Workshop Street. This was viewed as a temporary build until Gindaja could secure appropriate funding for a permanent, purpose-built facility that had the proper capacity to house all of our non-residential services.

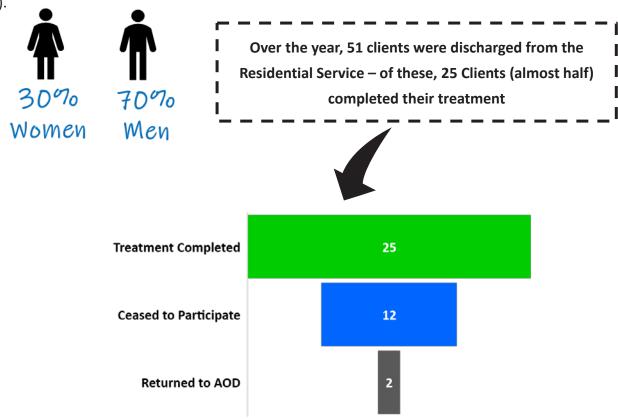
Much to our delight, we were able to achieve this by the end of June 2021 with a successful application to the QLD Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, for capital funding to build a new Learning and Wellbeing Centre.

Overall, Gindaja provided support for a total of 113 individual clients, of which about half were clients of the Learning and Wellbeing Centre and half were residential clients.

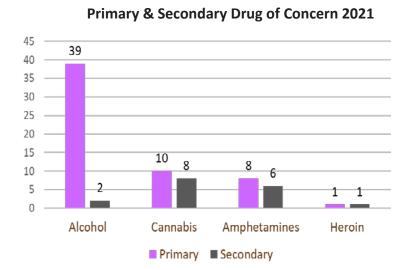


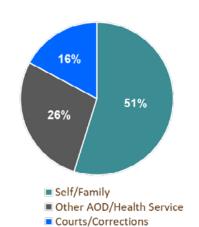
# Residential Recovery Centre

As noted earlier, the Residential service recommenced intake in late July/August 2020, following the lifting of the bio-security lock down in Yarrabah. Over the 2020-2021 year, the residential service had a total of 61 admissions which represents a reduced client intake of approximately 15 clients over the reporting period. Of all clients coming into the Residential Program, 70% were men and 30% were women – this is the same gender ratio as 2019 and 2020. Of all discharges (51), 25 clients completed their treatment goals (48%).



A total of 64% of residential clients cited alcohol as their primary drug of concern, followed by cannabis (16%) and amphetamines (13%). Just over half of all referrals into the Residential Program were self-referral or from a family member/friend.

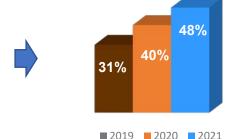




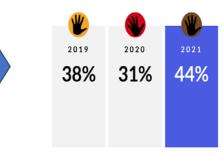
**Residential Referrals 2021** 

While we saw a reduced number of clients entering the Residential program there were also some interesting developments for clients in this years' data

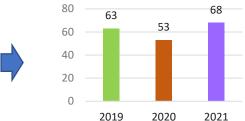
First, the proportion of discharged clients who had completed their treatment, was higher than in previous years. Of the 61 clients admitted into the Residential program over the year almost half had completed their treatment goals when they left



Second, Gindaja had an increase in the percentage of clients being admitted into the Residential Program. In 2019, 38% of all client contacts to Gindaja resulted in admission into the Residential Program. In 2021, this increased to 44%



Third, clients at the Residential Program stayed much longer in the program than anytime previously. Over the past 3 years, the length of stay for clients has fluctuated from 47 days to 63 days. In 2021, the average length of stay rose to 68 days



# **Learning and Wellbeing Centre**

Over the past year, the Learning and Wellbeing Centre provided services to 73 individual clients:

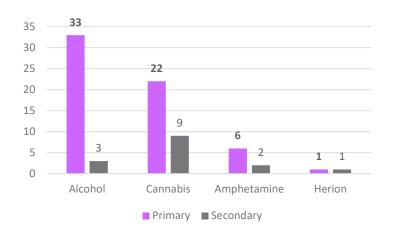




Average number of days enrolled = 282

About 46% of all LWBC clients had successfully completed their treatment goals. 'Partly completed' accounted for 30% of clients and 22% of clients did not complete or did not attend.

#### **LWBC Primary & Secondary Drug of Concern**



#### **LWBC Program Completions**



#### **Justice Services**

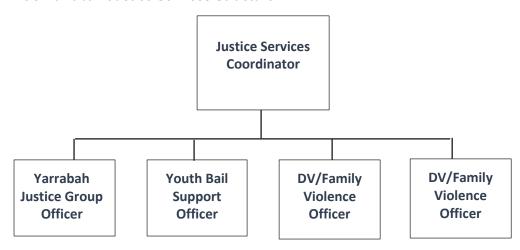
The Yarrabah Community Justice Group (YCJG) and the funded Youth Bail Support Program (in partnership with local youth service YETI) are the only 2 community owned justice services in Yarrabah and both are supported and sit within Gindaja as the sponsor organisation. It has been clear for some time now that the capacity of the YCJG (incorporating only 1 worker) is not as robust a resource that is needed for such a large and complex Indigenous community as Yarrabah.

In July 2020, Gindaja and the YCJG negotiated a new 3-year contract with the Department of Justice and Attorney-General (DJAG) which included an additional funding component that would form part of the ongoing, recurrent funding package.

Gindaja and the YCJG proposed a new and innovative approach to delivering Justice Services in Yarrabah which would support the development of a robust and independent service more appropriately equipped to respond to the needs of a large Indigenous community. The shared vision of both Gindaja and the YCJG is to have a separate, independently operated Justice Services organisation in Yarrabah by June 2023.

The service model now comprises a newly created position of Justice Services Coordinator, who oversees the development and delivery of the service and reports to Gindaja's Treatment Services Manager. The Justice Team includes the Youth Bail Support Officer position and an updated Justice Group Officer position, who provides client court support in Yarrabah. An additional 2 Family and Domestic Violence Officer (FDV) positions have also been funded by DJAG and are expected to be joining the new Yarrabah Justice Team sometime in 2021.

Gindaja/YCJG Yarrabah Justice Services Structure



By January 2021, the newly created Justice Services Coordinator position was filled along with the Justice Group Officer position. The new team developed a 3-year implementation plan that mapped out the way forward in line with our funding targets and agreed milestones.

From April – June 2021 DJAG representatives conducted and completed consultations on a proposed methodology for the DFV funding and Gindaja assisted in writing up the final model and report. This has now been submitted to the DJAG Independent Committee who have approved the model. We are hopeful that the DJAG final approvals process will be completed, and funding released within the 2nd half of 2021.

This is an exciting time for Justice Services in Yarrabah and Gindaja remains committed to ensuring that the best possible model and structure are developed and provided with ongoing support.

Treatment Services Manager Kathy Desmond

# OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT

Gindaja was presented with many challenges during this period, primarily in the areas of Risk Management, compliance obligations and pandemic response planning. Adapting to new government programs and agendas required a collective effort in the development and implementation of systems and processes focused on high quality, effective and safer delivery of our services.

The maintenance of our Pandemic response strategies required further collaboration with the all stakeholders particularly during the 'Stand Down' phase. The rising concerns of COVID resurfacing in Far North Queensland meant close monitoring and working with the Task Force to prepare for a possible second community lock-down, staff re-deployment, and re-structure within the organisation.

Our Isolation Unit proved successful during the Community Lock-down and we hosted two (2) families for a period of 1-2 weeks. The referral system worked well with our Cairns based staff working closely with the Gurriny team based at Wuchopperen Health Centre in Manoora.

# **Compliance**

A number of new government and funding requirement were initiated during the year. These included the QLD Government's Working with Children Check – development of a Child and Youth Risk Management Strategy; NIAA Head Agreement – Working with Vulnerable People, and NIAA Head Agreement - Work, Health and Safety Requirements (Notifiable Incident).

Gindaja has been proactive in strengthening our compliance and accreditation systems and as a result of our Compliance Strategy, we now have in place new policies, procedures and processes.

#### **New Constructions**

All pre-construction planning / negotiations progressed considerably during the past months and installation of the new demountable building - Learning and Wellbeing Centre was completed in January 2021.

Shortly after, Gindaja received confirmation of new infrastructure funding for a purpose built permanent structure for our LWBC which required further negotiations with the Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council, design consultation with Clarke and Prince Architects and liaison with other essential suppliers.

The BOD approved final drafts as well as Project Management and we are currently awaiting final plans before all pre-construction work commences.

At the same time, continuation towards finalisation of our Isolation / Step Up accommodation occurred. Again, we engaged Prince and Clark Architect to review layout and aesthetics. Draft designs of our demountable buildings for the quarantine site were approved and sent to Ausco for final designs and construction. Installation is set for late 2021.



## Workforce Development

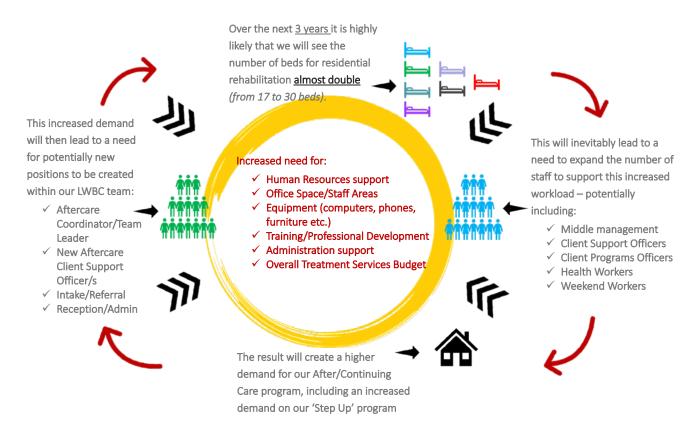
A management review of future staffing requirements at Gindaja was undertaken in early 2021. The review not only recognised the developments in service delivery but staff deficiency in other areas. Our workforce over the past year has seen a significant increase in numbers and this by its very nature had led to an increase in the workload in direct HR activity. The inclusion of a Human Resource officer position on our organisation structure has expedited the coordination of the workload and activities in human resources and employee management.

In addition, we undertook a minor restructure through a job-share arrangement and this has facilitated further workforce growth whilst maximising financial savings. Part time engagement is proving both effective and responsive in filling voids but most notably, in reducing unnecessary wages expenditure.

All in all, a challenging and exciting year. Growth and development was the focus and this will continue as we move into 2021/2022 with even more construction, workforce growth, and improved and increase service delivery.

Operations Manager
Robin Schrieber

### Future proofing the next 3- 5 years



# Gindaja Treatment and Healing Indigenous Corporation

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Annual financial report For the year ended 30 June 2021



# Auditor's independence declaration

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# Auditor's independence declaration to the directors of Gindaja Treatment and Healing Indigenous Corporation

In accordance with the requirements of section 339-50 of the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act* 2006, as lead auditor for the audit of Gindaja Treatment and Healing Indigenous Corporation for the year ended 30 June 2021, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* in relation to the audit; and
- b No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd Chartered Accountants

Helen Willes

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Partner - Audit & Assurance

Cairns, 12th Oct 2021

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# Statement of comprehensive income

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
Income			
Revenue and income	7	4,407,669	4,347,753
Expenses			
Administration expenses		359,021	291,749
Bad and doubtful debts		-	(7,181)
Client expenses		128,487	114,912
Employee expenses	8	2,931,927	2,707,900
General expenses		4,823	16,610
Grants repaid	7	91,204	_
Motor vehicle expenses		82,420	60,366
Promotional expenses		53,089	11,249
Property expenses		215,533	165,384
Training and travel expenses		63,159	91,601
Capital expenditure		315,680	171,264
		4,245,343	3,623,854
Results from operating activities	_	162,326	723,899
Finance income		1,228	13,406
Finance costs		(10,316)	(6,123)
Net finance income/(costs)	9	(9,088)	7,283
Results from operating activities after finance costs		153,238	731,182
Capital expenditure transferred to non-current assets Depreciation and amortisation expenses		315,680	171,264
Property, plant and equipment	12	(168,257)	(171,259)
Right-of-use assets	14	(4,981)	-
Net surplus before tax		295,680	731,187
Income tax expense	6.5	-	-
Net surplus	_	295,680	731,187
Other comprehensive income			<u> </u>
Total comprehensive income	_	295,680	731,187

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Statement of financial position

As at 30 June 2021

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	10	4,149,411	2,842,926
Trade and other receivables	11	918,378	394,358
Current assets	_	5,067,789	3,237,284
Property, plant and equipment	12	720,512	846,517
Work in progress	13	273,428	0+0,517
Right-of-use assets	14	144,460	_
Non-current assets	·· <u> </u>	1,138,400	846,517
Total assets		6,206,189	4,083,801
Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	15	2,722,870	1,004,732
Loans and borrowings	16	31,084	26,103
Employee benefits	18	68,206	58,708
Current liabilities		2,822,160	1,089,543
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Loans and borrowings	16	186,140	80,744
Employee benefits  Non-current liabilities	18	33,517	44,822
Total liabilities		219,657	125,566
	_	3,041,817	1,215,109
Net assets	_	3,164,372	2,868,692
Equity			
Retained surplus		3,164,372	2,868,692
Total equity		3,164,372	2,868,692

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

## 7 Revenue and income

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Revenue from contracts with customers (under AASB 15)		
Grants received		
Department of Social Services IRSD	_	198,544
DJAG	191,168	175,891
DOCS	228,196	221,780
DoH - Drug and alcohol treatment program	257,431	, -
NQPHN	160,000	160,000
NIAA	1,598,438	1,610,698
Queensland Health	1,756,587	1,594,373
YETI	133,000	133,000
Grant balances at 1 July	501,450	348,635
Grant balances at 30 June	(527,918)	(501,450)
ATODS income		21,045
Bookkeeping services	20,945	70,200
Catering income	8,128	6,414
Residential income	67,650	56,029
Total revenue from contracts with customers	4,395,075	4,095,159
Income (under AASB 1058) Grants received		
DSDILGP	1,125,000	<del>-</del>
Queensland Health	490,478	61,789
GYHSAC	-	25,000
Grant balances at 1 July	-	-
Grant balances at 30 June	(1,615,478)	-
ATO Cash Boost income	-	100,000
Employment service income	9,091	45,985
Sundry income	3,503	19,820
Total income	12,594	252,594
Total revenue and income	4,407,669	4,347,753
Grants repaid		
Turito Topula	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Queensland Health – AOD Post Treatment Support	54,853	-
Queensland Health - NRRTS	36,351	-
	91,204	-

# **Directors' declaration**

In the opinion of the directors of Gindaja Treatment and Healing Indigenous Corporation (the "Corporation"):

- the financial statements and notes are in accordance with the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Regulations 2017*, including:
  - giving a true and fair view of the Corporation's financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
  - ii complying with Australian Accounting Standards Simplified Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Regulations 2017* and any applicable determinations made by the Registrar of Aboriginal Corporations under Division 336 of the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*; and
- b there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Corporation will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

Director

10/10/2021

Date



# Independent auditor's report

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Independent auditor's report to the members of Gindaja Treatment and Healing Indigenous Corporation

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Gindaja Treatment and Healing Indigenous Corporation (the "Corporation"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2021, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Gindaja Treatment and Healing Indigenous Corporation is in accordance with the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*, including:

- a giving a true and fair view of the Corporation's financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- b complying with Australian Accounting Standards Simplified Disclosures and the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Regulations 2017 and any applicable determinations made by the Registrar of Aboriginal Corporations under Division 336 of the Act.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report* section of our report. We are independent of the Corporation in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations* (*Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander*) *Act 2006* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the "Code") that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Information other than the financial report and auditor's report thereon

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Corporation's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2021, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

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

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

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

#### Responsibilities of the directors for the financial report

The directors of the Corporation are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006.* The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the directors 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.

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

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

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

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: <a href="http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors">http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors</a> responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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