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OUR SUPPORTERS

We wish to acknowledge and express our sincere gratitude to the individuals and organisations who share our vision and support us in our work to ensure that all young Australians are financially capable and can manage their finances now and into the future.

The financial in-kind support provided by these companies along with the voluntary contribution of time and expertise generously given by so many people enables us to continue our work.



Presenting Partner ESSI Money and ESSI Money Challenge; Support Partner Financial Basics Foundation

Suncorp is partnering with the Financial Basics Foundation to improve the financial literacy of young people. By offering a range of fun, interactive online resources to all Australian secondary school teachers, Suncorp is working with Financial Basics Foundation to give every young person the knowledge, skills and confidence to manage their money which means a better financial future for our younger generations, their families and our customers.



BDO in Australia is proud to support Financial Basics Foundation's mission to improve the financial literacy of young people. As an accountancy and advisory firm with a heritage in helping businesses grow, BDO in Australia believe that the most important foundation for success is education. BDO in Australia is committed to working with the Foundation to equip our young people with strong financial literacy skills and enable them to plan ahead for a bright future.

In Kind and Pro bono Support

In addition to our corporate partnerships, the in-kind support and voluntary contribution of time and expertise given by generous individuals and organisations enables us to continue our work. In particular, we'd like to acknowledge:



CHAIR STATEMENT

This has been another impressive year for the small but high-impact team at the Financial Basics Foundation, as it has sought to expand FBF's reach and impact for all young Australians.

Able led by our long-standing CEO Katrina Samios, the Foundation continued to deliver programs in three-quarters of Australia's high schools, while at the same time undertaking a major refresh of the IT systems underpinning all its work. This critically important back-office work means the organisation is better placed than ever to deliver its existing programs to schools and also add new services to support young people and their parents and carers directly.

We have continued to innovate in the programs that we deliver, and also expand and diversify our funding base. We are very grateful to all the businesses and individuals that have provided financial or other pro bono support this year. FBF is an extremely lean operation, and we are working to bring in additional sources of funding to allow us to develop our impact further.

It is both a privilege and a pleasure to chair FBF, and to see up close just how good the FBF team is. We are fortunate to have an exceptional Board too, with members drawn from relevant fields such as financial services, education, technology and strategy consulting, and legal services. With this annual report, we both celebrate the successes of the past year and look forward to another exciting year ahead.



CEO STATEMENT

I am pleased to present an overview of Financial Basics Foundation's endeavours and achievements during the past financial year.

At Financial Basics Foundation, our unwavering commitment to fostering improved financial literacy among young Australians remains paramount. Over the past year, our initiatives have centred around empowering young people with essential financial management skills and knowledge.

Our mission to enhance the financial capability of young Australians has been the driving force behind various impactful programs and engagements. We've achieved significant milestones in several key areas:

Programs and Engagements

Education Initiatives:

Suncorp Bank ESSI Money Challenge: Engaged 6,804 students in a national competition, promoting financial literacy and offering cash prizes for both students and schools.



National Financial Literacy Survey: Garnered insights from over 19,000 secondary school students, assessing their knowledge, skills, and consumer behaviour in financial literacy.

Educator Training: Conducted comprehensive training sessions at state and local conferences, ensuring educators are equipped to deliver financial education effectively.

Community Support: Extended resources and aid to 1,132 community organisations and educators outside the traditional secondary school system.

Reach and Engagement

Teacher Access: Witnessed a 15.32% increase in teacher registrations, with 9,484 teachers from 2,225 Australian secondary schools currently accessing our resources.

Expanded Membership: Welcomed a 14.57% rise in non-secondary school educators, now totalling 1,132 registered members.

Webinar Engagements: Achieved substantial participation with 242 attendees at the Financial Literacy of Young Australians research report webinar and 449 educators at conference presentations.

Impactful Initiatives

ESSI Money Game

Despite technical challenges early in the year, we saw significant interest and engagement in ESSI Money and ESSI Money Plus, with a 24.36% increase in unique players and a 34.92% cumulative increase in registered classes.

ESSI Money Challenge Success

The substantial growth in registrations, unique student players, and completed games during the Suncorp ESSI Money Challenge signalled a positive return to regular school programming post-COVID. A targeted communications campaign further boosted the event's success.



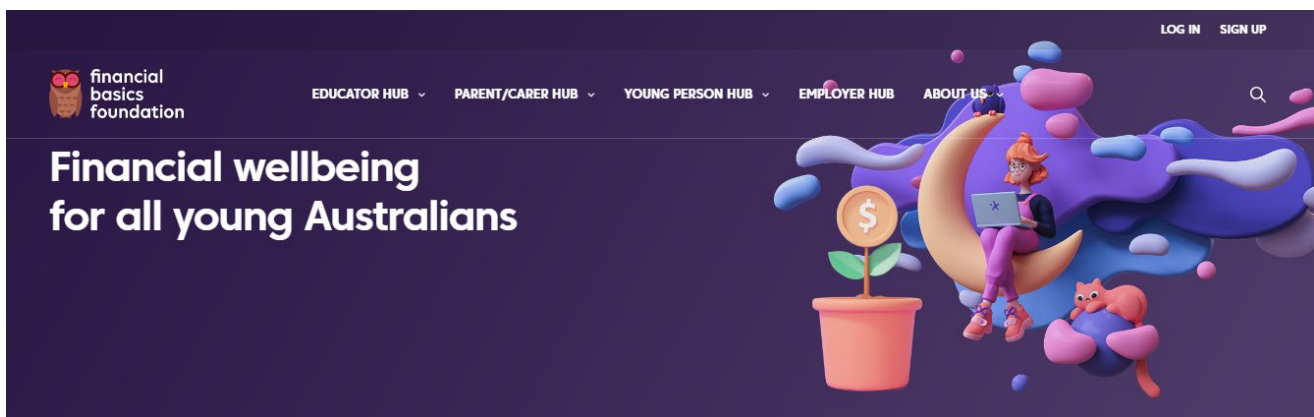
Ongoing Initiatives

Research and Future Developments

Partnered with Griffith University to delve into the financial experiences of culturally diverse communities, extending our understanding of young Australians' financial needs.

Digital Transformation

Undertook a significant digital ecosystem refresh, including a new website launch, albeit with some challenges. A new animated video resource, MoneyIQ, designed to assist teens in managing their finances, is set for release in FY24.



As we move forward, Financial Basics Foundation remains dedicated to its strategic objectives. Our commitment to creating impactful resources, expanding our reach, measuring our impact, and enhancing our digital infrastructure persists as we chart a course for sustained growth and effectiveness.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to our staff and board of directors and to our partners and sponsors, including Suncorp Corporate Services Pty Ltd, BDO in Australia, Deloitte Consulting Pty Ltd, Allens Linklaters and KPMG whose unwavering support bolsters our mission.

In closing, our efforts to nurture and improve financial literacy among young Australians continue unabated. We look forward to the upcoming financial year with renewed enthusiasm as we embrace new challenges and opportunities in our pursuit of our vision of financial wellbeing for all young Australians.

DIRECTORS REPORT

Your directors present their report on the Financial Basics Foundation Limited (the Foundation) for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

Directors

The names of each person who has been a director during the year and up to the date of this report are:

Philip Cullum
Katrina Samios
Tim Devine
Norman Hunter
Kelly Evans
Nicole Pedwell
Melissa Witheriff
Joel White
Stefanie Wilson

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated.

Principal Activities

Financial Basics Foundation is a national financial literacy charity which aims to teach young Australians, between the ages of 12-24 years, the basics of effective financial management. The Foundation provides free, quality resources and programs that foster sound financial attitudes and behaviours to Australian secondary schools, young people and their parents/carers.

Financial Basics Foundation pursues its mission and engages its networks through a series of programs designed to educate young people about financial issues; facilitate dialogue and professional development for educators; and establish opportunities for engagement between its sponsors and the communities in which they operate.

Financial Basics Foundation's vision is: financial wellbeing for young Australians.

The Foundation's mission is to enhance young Australians wellbeing by providing quality independent financial education resources. These include:

- ESSI Money and the Suncorp Bank ESSI Money Challenge
- Financial Rules of Thumb
- Operation Financial Literacy
- WebQuests
- Research
- Professional Development for teachers

Review of Operations

In this period, Financial Basics Foundation:

- Hosted a national financial literacy competition (the Suncorp Bank ESSI Money Challenge) in August
- 2022 which saw 6,804 students compete for the chance to win cash prizes for themselves and for their schools.
- Conducted a national financial literacy survey where over 19,000 secondary school students responded to a series of questions which sought to identify knowledge, skills and trends of young people in relation to their consumer behaviour and financial literacy.
- Maintained a strong focus in educator training and development by presenting at state and local conferences throughout the year.
- Provided its resources and support to 1, 132 community organisations and educators outside of the secondary school system.
- Published and distributed e-newsletters, biogs and online content to 10,616 subscribers.
- Produced and published ten WebQuests which have generated over 79,000 views
- Initiated a major refresh of its digital eco-system, to support existing programs and enable the development of new products
- Worked to increase and diversify its funding
- Developed a new organisational strategy.

Reach and Engagement

Financial Basics Foundation had the below reach during the period:

- 9,484 teachers from 2,225 Australian secondary schools (77.75% of all Australian secondary schools) are now accessing the Foundation's resources. This represents a 15.32% increase in teacher registrations and 26.56% increase in registered schools for this financial period.
- 1,132 non-secondary school educators, including, community workers, homeschool educators or representatives from T AFEs and other tertiary institutions are registered members with the Foundation. This represents an increase of 14.57% for this financial period.
- FBF's "How To" videos and Professional Development webinar recordings have been viewed 1,623 times via our YouTube channel.
- 242 participants attended the Financial Literacy of Young Australians research report webinar presentation. 449 educators attended conference presentations delivered by FBF.

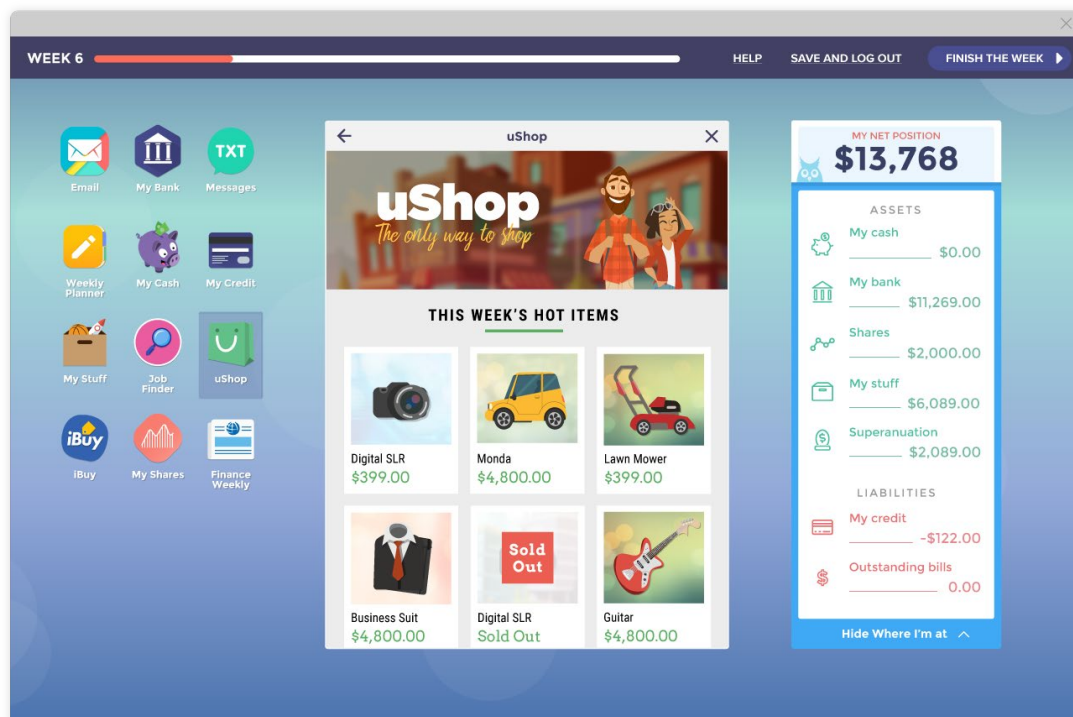
ESSI Money Game Statistics

ESSI Money is an online financial literacy game for Australian secondary school students.

Several unforeseen technical issues arising during the development and construction of the new website led to a disruption in schools' access to ESSI Money from January to April 2023. Consequently, our overall ESSIMoney performance for this year has been adversely affected. Despite the delay in opening ESSI Money registrations, our participation statistics are robust and it is apparent that there continues to be strong demand for ESSI Money, particularly for ESSI Money PLUS.

ESSI Money and ESSI Money Plus game statistics for this financial year:

- 30,853 unique players This represents a year on year increase of 24.36% with 157,531 unique players since the release of the game in 2017
- 3,677 registered classes An increase of 398 classes over the same period in the previous year and a cumulative year on year increase of 34.92%
- 61,188 registered games A year on year increase of 25.40% (302,051 registered ESSI Money games have been recorded since 2017.)
- 14,407 completed games This represents a year on year increase of 22.25%. The full 26 week simulation game has been completed 79,157 times since its release in 2017.



Effects of COVID-19

Although there weren't any lockdowns there was some ongoing impact as schools worked to return to normal operations and also cope with more individual pupil absences.

Suncorp ESSI Money Challenge

The significant growth and engagement metrics of the Suncorp ESSI Money Challenge conducted in August 2022 signified the return to normal school programming, following the COVID period.

The number of registered classes increased by 8.14% to 944, reflecting a positive trend in participation. Furthermore, unique student player numbers grew by 26.43%, reaching 6,804, while the total number of completed games surged to 4,935, an increase of 53.41 % on 2021.

This successful event was bolstered by a targeted communications campaign, strategically designed to achieve specific objectives:

- Elevate public awareness of the Challenge and its supporters.
- Facilitate an increase in competition registrations.
- Emphasise the importance of enhancing the financial capability of young Australians.

To execute this campaign effectively, the Foundation collaborated with Sequel PR to develop and implement a creative mainstream and social media advertising and promotions strategy. The impact of these efforts was evident as the Suncorp ESSI Money Challenge received extensive media coverage, including a prominent two-minute editorial segment on Channel 7 focusing on 'budgeting during the time of inflation.' Additionally, various media items, such as print and radio editorials, were featured throughout the Challenge period.

These accomplishments are indicative of our commitment to fostering financial education and empowerment within the community. These results demonstrate our dedication to advancing our mission.

Research

Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities' Experiences with Personal Finance and the Implications for Learning.

The Foundation has engaged Griffith University to undertake a project which aims to understand how Australians from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds understand and learn about personal finance in Australia. The focus will be on understanding the needs of young Australians, in particular, those aged 18 -24 years of age. These years are critical as young people transition to financial independence.

This project will build on the previous research commissioned by the Financial Basics Foundation that identified the different learning needs of students given gender differences (de Zwaan and West, 2021). These differences result in the need for more context around learning materials and assessments for financial literacy. This project will extend this knowledge by seeking to understand the particular learning needs for young Australians in CALD communities.

The report will be completed in FY 2024.

Website and Social Media Engagement

During this period, the transition to a new website significantly influenced engagement across our various channels. Website and social media presence was constrained from December to April as we focussed on integrating new platforms, branding, and product offerings.

In terms of website analytics, we observed a total of 161,624 page views by 29,821 users. The acquisition breakdown indicated that 55% of the traffic originated from organic search, 37% was direct traffic, 6% came from referrals, and 2% was sourced from social media channels.

Furthermore, our Facebook audience experienced a growth of 2%, with a 32% increase in reach, reaching a total of 901 users. Additionally, we gained 72 new followers on LinkedIn during this period.

WebQuests

The Foundation's work to create high quality resources which educate young people about sound financial management principles expanded with the development of a new suite of resources. A WebQuest is an inquiry-oriented online tool which encourages self-paced learning for students. FBF WebQuests have generated over 17,638 views in this reporting period.

The suite of topics released include:

- Life Insurance 101
- Time is money
- Superannuation
- The Cost of Credit
- SOS - Safe Online Shopping
- FinTech and the future of banking
- Identifying financial values
- Income and Employment
- Taxation - everyone pays
- Banking - how does it all work?

IT Strategy

In line with our strategic objective to develop an approach to the Foundation's IT and digital needs in order to ensure sustainability and growth, the Foundation commenced development of a new digital ecosystem. This includes new branding and 'customer facing' website, along with LMS, CRM and CMS platforms.

This was a large and complex project that did not progress as expected. There were a number of challenges, primarily with integrating the ESSI Money functions, which had to be solved before launching the new website. After some delays, the new website was launched in April 2023.

The integration of the Learning Management System (LMS) is yet to be completed, and is scheduled for completion in FY 24.

NEW RESOURCES

MoneyIQ

MoneyIQ is a collection of bite size animated videos, designed to help teens deal confidently with the financial decisions and responsibilities that come with learning to manage their own money and establishing their financial independence.

MoneyIQ addresses the specific financial topics that young Australians want to know more about. Presented by Mon and her cyber friend IQ, the video messages, information, stories and "how to" explanations are engaging, light-hearted, and easy to understand.

The first MoneyIQ series explores the topic of Banking. The five videos in this series cover the basics of opening and using bank accounts safely and with confidence.

MoneyIQ-Banking will be released in FY24.

Impact Measurement

Impact Measurement has now been incorporated across all versions of the ESSI Money game. Students who complete the full 26-week simulation are asked to complete a survey designed to measure financial literacy.

The survey - which is not compulsory - uses four of the "Big 5" financial literacy questions, and questions about financial attitudes and behaviours (including measures of confidence and optimism).

Data below/following was gathered during the 2022 calendar year from 14,825 student responses Financial literacy:

- 60% understood how compound interest works.
- 36% understood the impact of inflation.
- 71 % understood the effect on total interest paid on short term loans versus long term loans.
- 51 % recognised that investment diversification helps mitigate risk.

Attitudes and behaviours:

- 73% strongly agree or agree that their understanding of financial services and products such as bank accounts, credit cards, paying bills and setting up automatic payments has improved as a result of playing ESSI Money.
- 71 % strongly agree or agree that you are more confident and more optimistic about making your own financial decisions in the future as a result of playing ESSI Money.
- 72% strongly agree or agree that ESSI Money is relevant to them and their life outside of school.
- 73% strongly agree or agree that their interest in actively managing their own money and making decisions about their own personal finances has increased since playing ESSI Money.
- 62% have reached out for assistance or sought advice about money and finances from a trusted adult outside of school as a result of playing ESSI Money.
- 78% have put money away (saving) in the last 12 months.
- 67% have read their bank statements regularly to check the transactions in the last 12 months.
- 68% have set some financial goals for themselves, while 69% have been able to achieve a financial goal they had set for themselves in the last 12 months.

FBF Registered Member Survey

Our annual FBF registered member survey aims to gather valuable insights and feedback from our Educator community. The survey serves as an opportunity for us to better understand the needs, preferences, and expectations of the Educators registered with FBF, enabling us to enhance our services and offerings in alignment with their requirements. The responses provide us with comprehensive insight, which guide us in shaping our programs and resources. The key findings of the report include:

- 96% strongly agree or agree that they would recommend ESSI Money to colleagues.
- 97% strongly agree or agree that ESSI Money is a valuable, useful, effective and engaging resource for delivering financial literacy education.
- 98% strongly agree or agree that their students are interested and engaged in financial topics when using the ESSI Money resource.
- 99% strongly agree or agree that ESSI Money is a valuable resource.
- 70% strongly agree or agree that students' knowledge and understanding of everyday financial concepts improved as a result of playing ESSI Money.
- 88% strongly agree or agree that federal and/or state governments should mandate that financial literacy education is addressed more consistently in all Australian schools.
- 78% strongly agree or agree that Financial Basics Foundation is an independent charity that they trust to deliver personal financial education programs.

Sponsorship

Financial Basics Foundation aligns with like-minded organisations and has a long history of successful partnerships that support delivery of its mission. The Board would like to take this opportunity to thank Suncorp Corporate Services Pty Ltd, BDO in Australia and Deloitte Consulting Pty Ltd for their ongoing sponsorship and support.

Suncorp Bank's partnership with Financial Basics Foundation demonstrates Suncorp's commitment to developing the financial capability of young people.

As the Presenting Partner of ESSI Money, the ESSI Money Challenge and our research, and a Support Partner of the Foundation, Suncorp Bank supports the Foundation to focus on expanding reach and building on activities that increase the Foundation's brand and public awareness.

In 2023-2024 the partnership with Suncorp will include the delivery of a second piece of research along with the development and creation of a series of financial literacy videos – MoneyIQ.

BDO in Australia supports the work of the Foundation by providing in-kind accounting, bookkeeping and advisory services. This partnership has enabled us to build organisational capacity and adds value to the work we do to build the financial capability of young Australians.

Collection House Limited founded the Financial Basics Foundation in 2002. As the Founding Donor, Collection House remains an important and valued part of our history.

Deloitte has agreed to assist FBF on a pro bono basis to facilitate a review of our digital and IT security systems. This activity will be conducted in FY24.

Strategic Plan

The Foundation is reviewing its current strategic plan to develop a new plan and priorities. This work will be completed in FY24.

Strategic Objectives

Financial Basics Foundation will continue to pursue its strategic objectives in order to achieve its vision:

- To create high quality resources that educate young people about sound financial management principles.
- To secure increased financial and operational resources that support our strategic objective to achieve financial security.
- To increase our profile and expand the reach of Financial Basics Foundation products and messaging to key stakeholders throughout Australia.
- To implement protocols which enable us to measure our impact and success.
- To continually improve and expand current offerings, including conference presentations, Professional Development for teachers.
- To develop a strategic approach to our IT and digital needs to ensure sustainability and growth.



Information on Directors

Philip Cullum – Chair

Philip is principal of Consumer-wise Consulting, working on strategy, policy, engagement and governance. In addition to the Financial Basics Foundation he is a Board member of the Clean Energy Council, Consumer Action, and Consumers' Federation of Australia. He is also a member of the Customer Owned Banking Code Compliance Committee and the expert panel at the financial ombudsman AFCA. Philip chairs the independent Customer Advisory Panel for the Victorian energy networks Powercor, Citipower and United Energy.

Philip is a graduate of the AICD. He previously worked at the Australian Energy Regulator, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission and the UK energy regulator Ofgem. In the UK he held senior roles at three consumer organisations and was an associate partner at Accenture.

Philip was appointed as a member and Director of the Foundation on 28 October 2021.

Katrina Samios – Director/CEO

Katrina has worked in the youth sector for over 30 years, with experience in government and not-for-profit organisations.

Katrina has been a consultant to the Foundation since 2004 and was appointed as CEO and Director in 2011.

Tim Devine LLB – Director

Tim is an experienced lawyer who has provided legal advice on corporate and commercial matters in private practice and as in-house counsel.

Tim was appointed as a member and Director of the Foundation on 5 December 2013.

Norman Hunter OAM - Director

Norm is the principal consultant of Thinkit Through, an educational consultancy with a particular focus on leadership, strategic thinking, mentoring and writing. He was founding Co-Principal, then Principal of Hillbrook Anglican School. Norm is a Fellow of the Australian Council for Educational Leaders and the Australian College of Educators.

Norm was appointed as a member and Director of the Foundation on 10 November 2016.

Kelly Evans CA – Director/Treasurer

Kelly is a Chartered Accountant with over fifteen years' experience in external audit and financial reporting and is currently the Financial Reporting Manager for an ASX-100 company. She is also a fellow of the Governance Institute of Australia.

Kelly was appointed as a member and Director of the Foundation on 28 September 2018.

Information on Directors

Nicole Pedwell – Director/Secretary

Nicole is a qualified Company Secretary, corporate governance and communications professional. Nicole has over 20 years' investor and stakeholder relations experience in both global and domestic financial services entities. Nicole holds a Bachelor of International Business from Griffith University, a Graduate Diploma in Applied Corporate Governance from the Governance Institute of Australia and is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Nicole is Company Secretary to Credit Union Australia Ltd, Credicorp Insurance Pty Ltd, CUA Management Pty Ltd and Credicorp Finance Pty Ltd. She is a fellow of the Governance Institute of Australia.

Nicole joined the Board of Financial Basics Foundation in March 2020.

Melissa Witheriff - Director

Melissa is a Non-Executive Director specialising in Organisational Strategy, Digital Innovation and Enterprise culture. She is currently an Advisory Board member of the Service Innovation Alliance (SIA) at University of Queensland.

She has more than 25 years of senior leadership experience across non-for-profit, government, and corporate environments. Her experience spans sectors such as Finance, Healthcare, Insurance, Mobility, Public Works, ICT, Education and Retail. Melissa is a highly experienced digital innovator, transforming ideas from concept to commercialisation within corporate environments.

Melissa was appointed as a member and Director of the Foundation on 8 October 2020.

Joel White - Director

Joel is a Non-Executive Director specialising in digital technology and transformation.

Joel works with financial services and consumer organisations in his role as a Director at Deloitte Digital, and mentors in the technology start-up/scale-up space.

Within his practice area, Joel has a passion for data privacy, consent and the ethical use of customer data and is working with FBF to provide guidance on key digital initiatives.

Joel was appointed as a member and Director of the Foundation on 11 October 2021.

Information on Directors

Stefanie Wilson – Director

Stefanie is a strategist, business leader and experienced entrepreneur, with over 20 years industry experience.

As the founder of Luminair (a Certified BCorp company, which has created over \$900m in economic impact for the Australian economy), Stefanie's mantra is 'Strategy as a force for good'.

Stefanie contributes to a number of boards, is a Federal Government appointed 'expert mentor', consulting strategist, executive advisor and a mentor for both the Minerva Sports Network and Women In Technology.

Passionate about changing the game; Stefanie stands behind considered collaborations, impactful outcomes and 'progress over perfection'.

Stefanie was appointed as a member and Director of the Foundation on 28 October 2021.

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated.

Company Secretary

Nicole Pedwell has held the position of Company Secretary from March 2020.

Refer above for information of the qualifications and experience of the Company Secretary.

Meetings of the Board of Directors

During the financial year 5 meetings of directors were held. Attendances by each director during the year were as follows:

<i>Director</i>	<i>Directors Meetings</i>	
	<i>Meetings eligible to attend</i>	<i>Meetings attended during period</i>
Philip Cullum	5	5
Katrina Samios	5	5
Tim Devine	5	5
Norman Hunter	5	5
Kelly Evans	5	4
Nicole Pedwell	5	4
Melissa Witheriff	5	5
Joel White	5	5
Stefanie Wilson	5	3

The Foundation is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a company limited by guarantee. If the company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$20 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity. At 30 June 2023, the total amount that members of the Foundation are liable to contribute if the Foundation is wound up is \$180 (2022: \$180).

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 30 June 2023 has been received and can be found on page 11 of the financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:



Philip Cullum

Chair

Dated this 19th day of December 2023



Auditor's Independence Declaration under subdivision 60- C section 60-40 of Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012

To: the Directors of Financial Basics Foundation

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2023 there have been:

- i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and
- ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Flaherty', written in a cursive style.

Ben Flaherty

Brisbane
19 December 2023

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
Revenues	2	1,041,181	502,521
Expenses	3	(702,788)	(595,848)
Net surplus/(Deficit) for the year attributable to members of the entity		<u>338,393</u>	<u>(93,327)</u>
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income attributable to members of the entity		<u>338,393</u>	<u>(93,327)</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	982,440	718,276
Receivables	5	11,141	9,408
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>993,581</u>	<u>727,684</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>993,581</u>	<u>727,684</u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	6	34,825	108,420
Provisions	7	47,414	46,315
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>82,239</u>	<u>154,735</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>82,239</u>	<u>154,735</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>911,342</u>	<u>572,949</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus		<u>911,342</u>	<u>572,949</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July	572,949	666,276
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	338,393	(93,327)
Balance at 30 June	<u>911,342</u>	<u>572,949</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

Statement of cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Cash receipts from operating activities		1,039,448	552,824
Cash payments from operating activities		(775,284)	(618,103)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	9(a)	264,164	(65,279)
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for intangible assets		-	-
Payments for PPE		-	-
Net cash (used in) investing activities		-	-
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Funds provided to related parties		-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		264,164	(65,279)
Cash at the beginning of the year		718,276	783,555
Cash at the end of the year	4	982,440	718,276

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

Notes to financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Government Grant income

Government Grant income arising from an agreement which contains enforceable and sufficiently specific performance obligations is recognised when control of each performance obligations is satisfied.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised as it accrues using the effective interest rate method.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

b. Cash

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturity of three months or less.

c. Receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised and carried at original invoice amounts. Receivables expected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables classified as non-current assets.

d. Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Foundation during the period which remain unpaid. Liabilities for trade creditors and other payables are carried at cost which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the Foundation. Balance is normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

e. Employee Provisions

Provision is made for the Foundation's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period.

Employee provisions that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

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

f. Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office (ATO). Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from or payable to the ATO is included in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are presented in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

g. Income tax

No provision for income tax has been made in the financial report as the Foundation is exempt from income tax under Div 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

h. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The directors evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Foundation.

Key estimates — Impairment

The entity assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the entity that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined.

i. New Accounting Standards for Application in Future Periods

The Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) has issued a number of new and revised Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have mandatory application dates in future reporting periods. Earlier application is permitted, however the Foundation has not early adopted these new or amended standards in preparing these financial statements. These changes are not expected to have a significant impact on the Foundation's financial statements.

NOTE 2: REVENUES	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Sponsorship	435,838	441,900
Donations	605,303	42,810
Consulting	-	17,768
Copyright reimbursement	40	43
Total Revenues	1,041,181	502,521

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
NOTE 3: EXPENSES		
Consultancy fees	260,371	118,146
Game expenses	120,104	131,719
Payroll	243,027	245,662
Accounting fees	17,000	15,000
Public relations	23,250	34,650
Workcover	3,714	3,418
Website expenses	18,335	29,259
Sundry expenses	16,987	17,994
Total Expenses	<u>702,788</u>	<u>595,848</u>

Auditor Remuneration

KPMG have provided their audit services on an honorary basis.

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
NOTE 4: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash at bank	982,440	718,276
	<u>982,440</u>	<u>718,276</u>

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
NOTE 5: RECEIVABLES		
Trade receivables	-	8,250
Financial Basics Community Foundation	1,171	1,158
GST receivable	9,970	-
	<u>11,141</u>	<u>9,408</u>

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
NOTE 6: PAYABLES		
Trade payables	19,857	62,909
Payroll liabilities	14,968	14,014
GST payable	-	31,497
	<u>34,825</u>	<u>108,420</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

NOTE 7: PROVISIONS	2023 \$	2022 \$
Annual leave provision	20,657	23,063
Long service leave provision	26,757	23,252
	<u>47,414</u>	<u>46,315</u>

NOTE 8: EQUITY

The company is limited by guarantee. If the Foundation is wound up, the constitution states that each member of the Foundation is required to contribute a maximum of \$20 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the Foundation. At 30 June 2023, the members of the Foundation stood at 9 (2022: 9).

Capital management

Management control the capital of the entity to ensure that adequate cash flows are generated to fund its programs and that returns from investments are maximised. The Directors ensure that the overall risk management strategy is in line with this objective.

The entity's capital consists of financial liabilities, supported by financial assets.

Management effectively manage the entity's capital by assessing the entity's financial risks and responding to changes in these risks and in the market. These responses may include the consideration of debt levels.

There have been no changes to the strategy adopted by management to control the capital of the entity since prior year. The strategy of the entity is to ensure that sufficient cash is on hand to meet trade and sundry payables.

NOTE 9: CASH FLOW INFORMATION	2023 \$	2022 \$
a. Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities with surplus/(deficit) after income tax		
Surplus/(deficit) after income tax	338,393	(93,327)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	(1,733)	1,634
Increase/(decrease) in payables	(73,595)	42,794
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	1,099	(16,380)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>264,164</u>	<u>(65,279)</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**NOTE 10: EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER REPORTING DATE**

Subsequent to year end, the Foundation has received donations totalling \$364,106. No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Foundation, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Foundation in subsequent financial years.

NOTE 11: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At the end of the financial year the Foundation had no contingent liabilities or any pending, to the knowledge of the Directors.

Responsible entities' declaration

In the directors' opinion:

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 12 to 21 are in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* including:
 - a. complying with Accounting Standards as described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*, and
 - b. giving a true and fair view of the Foundations financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.

2. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Foundation 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 Board of Directors.



Philip Cullum
Chair

Dated this 19th day of December 2023



Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of Financial Basics Foundation

Report on the audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the **Financial Report**, of Financial Basics Foundation (the Foundation).

True and fair view

In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Report of the Foundation is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012*, including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the Foundation's financial position as at 30 June 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. complying with *Australian Accounting Standards* to the extent described in Note 1 and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022 (ACNCR)*.

The **Financial Report** comprises:

- i. Statement of financial position as at 30 June 2023.
- ii. Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, Statement of changes in equity, and Statement of cash flows for the year then ended.
- iii. Notes including a summary of significant accounting policies.
- iv. Directors' declaration of the Foundation.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our [qualified] opinion.

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 Foundation in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *ACNC Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's *APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Emphasis of matter – basis of preparation and restriction on use

We draw attention to Note 1 to the Financial Report, which describes the basis of preparation.

The Financial Report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Directors' financial reporting responsibilities under the *ACNC Act 2012*. As a result, the Financial Report and this Auditor's Report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Our report is intended solely for the members of the Foundation and should not be used by any other party. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this Auditor's Report, or on the Financial Report to which it relates to any person other than the members of the Foundation.

Other information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in the Foundation's annual reporting which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

The Other Information we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report was the Directors' Report.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we 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.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors' committee members are responsible for:

- i. Preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the ACNC and ACNCR.
- ii. Determining that the basis of preparation described in Notes 1 to the Financial Report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the ACNC. The basis of preparation is also appropriate to meet the needs of the members.
- iii. Implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
- iv. Assessing the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

- i. to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- ii. 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 *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

- i. Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- ii. Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the Audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the registered Foundation's internal control.
- iii. Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- iv. Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the registered Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our Auditor's Report to the related disclosures in the Financial Report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our Auditor's Report. However, future events or conditions may cause the registered Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- v. Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the Financial Report, including the disclosures, and whether the Financial Report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Directors of the registered Foundation regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Ben Flaherty
Partner

Brisbane
19 December 2023