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Marninwarantikura is a Walmajarri word. 'Marnin' means 'women', 'Wanti' means big mobs of women and 'Kura' means belong to. When said together it means that women belong to this region, these countries and each other, they have come together.

Marninwarantikura Women's Resource Centre is a place of inspiration, calming and healing.

Women Building Belonging



MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO EMILY CARTER

It would be an understatement to say that this has been a year unlike any other in recent memory. In January, Fitzroy Crossing and the Valley were hit by the most destructive floods in the Kimberley's history and the worst flooding event recorded in WA.

There was serious and devastating damage felt immediately by the Fitzroy Crossing township and surrounding communities - with hundreds displaced, and homes, belongings, businesses, services and infrastructure destroyed.

Beyond the immediate impacts, the unprecedented flooding event has had far reaching and ongoing impacts in a region which has experienced decades of underinvestment, resulting in fragile physical infrastructure and under-resourced regional services. The event has shown both the remarkable strengths, resilience and capacity of the community to respond to crisis. But it has also exposed the extreme vulnerabilities of a deeply connected and interdependent region.

During this time, MWRC had to pivot from its regular programs to support the needs of our Community, working to ensure that social and emotional wellbeing was maintained. This included collecting/distributing donations and liaising with Government and non-Government agencies to coordinate and advise emergency responses; all while maintaining our program delivery.

I am very grateful to all our staff who have shown remarkable dedication this year, and to the generosity of all who donated their time, money and energy to assist in the response.

In the year ahead, we are set to undertake a major review of our service delivery and funding streams, working to consolidate our agreements with government to help give MWRC a sustainable and secure future. The government is proposing some major reforms across several of our program areas, so our teams are dedicated to advocating and ensuring that the needs of Community are at the centre of these plans. Should the Voice referendum pass, it would also mean that Aboriginal organisations have more of say in our funding outcomes. Currently these are very much pushed from Canberra or Perth, and our opportunity for negotiation is limited. MWRC does its



best to lead sector negotiations and lobby Government on important issues, but what would make our position even stronger is a formal Voice to Parliament.

This is the year of the Voice referendum (vote). The Voice to parliament was a key recommendation of the Uluru Statement from the Heart, which was written and endorsed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders in 2017 to change the Constitution to improve the representation of Indigenous Australians. At the time of writing this report, the referendum has been slated for 14 October 2023. Whatever the result, this will be a most important date in our Nations' history.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart calls for, "... the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution and a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making and

truth-telling about our history." As an advisory body, "the Voice" would advise parliament and the federal government on Indigenous policy matters, including health, education, economic and social matters.

I look forward to continuing working alongside the community, the wonderful team of staff at Marninwarntikura, with support from government, allies across the sector, and all friends of Marnin whose generosity has helped us through unprecedented challenges over the past year.

Thank you. We really could not do this without you.



MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRPERSON MARMINGEE HAND

This has been a tough year bringing many challenges due to the floods and the ongoing impact. Throughout the floods, MWRC stood by the community, with our key staff on the ground from the beginning providing essential supplies like food and bedding. Some of our staff and board members were personally affected by the floods, including our CEO, Emily, who, despite losing her own home in the floods, returned to work just three days later to ensure the community was advocated for and received assistance during this time.

Throughout the year, our staff have continued supporting the community running MWRC programs and services on behalf of the Chair and Board. Additionally, Marnin has continued assisting those affected by the floods, organising, and distributing the donations we received.

While this year has undoubtedly been challenging, we've also made significant progress in the services we offer.

At the end of 2022 the Bigiswun Kid research project completed the data collection phase, and in 2023 it began transitioning to a service. The Bigiswun social and emotional wellbeing (SEWB) service is for young men and women aged

17-25 who would like support to achieve their goals and thrive living in the Fitzroy Valley. The model has been informed by the research as well as the Social and Emotional Wellbeing framework for understanding Aboriginal health and wellbeing. Our team continues to work in Two-Ways, and we are able to integrate neuropsychology and counselling into our model. The young people we support enjoy on Country activities such as fishing, as well as art groups and practical support including getting identification, bank cards, and licences. When needed we advocate for system change so that the young people living in the Fitzroy Valley have more equitable access to systems and services that maintain wellbeing.

The Bigiswun service is the result of the research the Marulu team and I initiated as a follow-up to the Lillilwan study. Our aim was to revisit the young adults who participated in the Lillilwan study as children to see how they were doing and identify how these young people could be supported. It's great to know that we now are building a service for young people in the Fitzroy Valley.

Thank you to everyone for their dedication and hard work during this particularly challenging year. This coming wet season I hope you have a good rest and enjoy the holidays. I look forward to seeing how our organisation grows in the coming year.



OUR TEAMS
AND THEIR
ACHIEVEMENTS



STUDIO

Marnin Studio is a therapeutic healing space where women come to create, learn and relax. We combine a strength-based, community led, therapeutic approach to empowerment, working on the ground with women and their families. We walk, talk and create together, linking like-minded people to create positive change.

Reflections

Attendance at the studio saw a shift from a lower count early in the year to strong participation in recent months. This growth was supported by new members joining the group, contributing to increased artwork production. Despite challenges caused by the flood like the bridge collapse and housing loss, the atmosphere in the studio is thriving aided by our ability to accommodate more women. This year we implemented a regular pickup/drop off bus service, allowing the women to access the studio with greater ease and consistency.

Studio Manager, Chantelle Murray, participated in the Art Workers Extension Program (AWEP) this year. Collaborating with fellow young artists and art workers, she gained valuable insights into preserving and exhibiting artwork for future generations. Graduating in August 2023, Chantelle recommends that others interested consider joining the AWEP program.

We were pleased to secure a grant from the Regional Arts Fund this year. This grant enables the studio to engage with more women in surrounding communities and will give us the capability to support women who are interested in developing their own social enterprises. Additionally, engagement with NIAA for the Empowered Communities consultations showcased the distinctive roles of Marnin Studio and Mangkaja Arts in supporting local artists, fostering productive conversations and sales opportunities.

Looking Forward to 2024:

In the coming year, we are excited about a number of upcoming projects that will enhance our offerings in several ways: expanding the creation of ceramics (including additional workshops); organising regular night markets to cater to both tourists and the local community; encouraging more women to participate in the studio programs, and introducing fashionable clothing featuring prints designed by the studio artists.





MARULU

Marulu, a Bunuba word meaning precious, worth nurturing, is a community initiative to overcome Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) and Trauma in the Fitzroy Valley. The Fitzroy Valley Community is driving a comprehensive response to the identified high numbers of children and families impacted by FASD and Trauma.

The newly launched **Bigiswun Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB)** service aims to identify the needs and build knowledge to improve the health and wellbeing of young people in the Fitzroy Valley and honour the families that participated in the original study by understanding the changing needs and advocating for appropriate services.

Reflections

The Early Childhood Support (ECS) program, in collaboration with Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Service, Early

Childhood Support (KAMS ECS), has consistently engaged with parents of young children to enhance awareness of child development and provide allied health supports to children that need timely interventions. Community navigators have played a pivotal role in facilitating our teams' efforts to connect families with allied health resources for timely early interventions.

In conjunction with the University of Sydney and Royal Far West, the **Marrura_U** team recently revisited Fitzroy, to come together and progress work on the model and the research. During this visit, they were able to establish face-to-face connections with some of the children and families they have been providing telecare services to. The team have continued to strengthen the capacity of our team and families to work with children as well as providing supports to schools while also delivering therapy sessions directly to children using technology.

Throughout this year, we have delivered professional development opportunities to educators within Kimberley schools, focusing on FASD and complex trauma.

This initiative has aimed to empower educators with a comprehensive understanding of effective approaches to accommodate and educate children dealing with complex trauma and FASD within classroom settings.

In alignment with our educational development, we have continued developing resources and awareness around FASD and complex trauma. Notably, our collaboration with the

National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) with the Strong Born campaign. This initiative serves to increase awareness of FASD in rural and remote areas and provide support to families and carers of children with FASD.

Looking forward to 2024:

In the next year, a key focus will be on securing ongoing funding for the Bigiswun SEWB service. This funding is crucial to ensure that young people in the Fitzroy Valley can continue accessing much needed services.

We're also pleased to share a newly created resource designed specifically for early childhood educators. This resource, titled *"Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD) and early life trauma: What early childhood educators need to know."* is aimed at providing educators with practical insights to better understand and address the needs of children in the classroom.



SHOWCASING THE BIGISWUN SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING SERVICE

Reflections

This past year marked a significant milestone for the Bigiswun Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEWB) team, as we transitioned from a research program to service delivery. This transition was made possible in part by the support provided by the Mental Health Commission. Shifting our focus to service delivery has been a rewarding challenge for our team.

Throughout the year, we welcomed new team members and began providing support to young people in the Fitzroy Valley. Some notable highlights from our year include our participation in the National Social and Emotional Wellbeing Conference, where our local team members, Kaylene Marr and Corin Brown, had the opportunity to share their insights on a national platform.

In collaboration with two graphic designers from Melbourne, we organized visual design workshops. These workshops involved working closely with a group of young people to create our team's

logo and uniform. Additionally, we collaborated with these young people to design and create a mural with their ideas and input.

Running on Country activities has always been a highlight in our work. This year, some of our team had the pleasure of visiting Mimbi Caves and was a great day.

Looking forward to 2024

In the upcoming year, our focus is on enhancing our capacity as SEWB workers, both individually and as a team. This growth will enable us to better work with young people to achieve their goals.

We are also looking forward to the arrival of the flood recovery SEWB team in 2024. Collaborating with them provides an opportunity for us to work together effectively and combine our expertise to support the community in the aftermath of the floods.





BAYA GAWIY

Rooted in a strength-based approach, our early childhood programs draw inspiration from exemplary practices. Tailored resources have been meticulously curated to ensure that programs and materials are culturally appropriate, resonant, and relevant to the linguistic, cultural, and experiential tapestry of the children.

Baya Gawiy Buga Yani Jandu Yani U encompasses a holistic model of early childhood care and education, comprising four distinct family-centred programs:

The Child and Parent Centre (CPC)

CPC functions as a central hub offering a diverse array of programs and services easily accessible to children and families. These encompass educational playgroups, specialised paediatric teams, women's health, child health services, and mental health counselling.

Additionally, community organisations utilise the centre for gatherings, workshops, drug and alcohol support programs, TAFE courses, and creative crafting groups. This platform introduces localised therapeutic educational programs that are grounded in evidence-based approaches. These programs not only address health-related and developmental vulnerabilities but also promote the overall well-being of young children, at the same time extending vital support to their parents and caregivers.

The Early Childhood Learning Unit (ECLU)

ECLU provides a comprehensive long-term childcare service, delivering high-quality trauma-informed education and care. Enrolment priority is given to Aboriginal families from the Fitzroy Valley. The ECLU operates through collaboration between the Language Culture and Wellbeing team and qualified Educators. This partnership develops a two-way teaching and learning model grounded in cultural knowledge, facilitated through local languages, stories, songs, movement, and a connection to the natural world.

Mobile Play Group (MPG)

Operating in parallel with the ECLU, the (MPG) brings together families, caregivers, and children to engage in learning experiences, fostering connections and cultivating support networks. Thoughtfully structured playgroup sessions, attuned to the environment and embedded with local culture, are guided by our local educators.

The Child and Parent Support (CaPS) Program

CaPS complements the MPG, providing experiences and guidance aimed at enhancing family understanding of children's learning and fostering insights into their developmental needs through

play-centred learning experiences. This initiative strives to enhance connections among individuals who share common life experiences and equips new parents with strategies for nurturing and coping, which are indispensable in navigating the challenges of raising infants and young children within communities.

Language Culture & Wellbeing Team

Our Language, Culture, and Wellbeing (LCW) team plays an essential role as the foundation of Baya Gawiy and our success. Their guidance, input, and dedication are instrumental in shaping our organisational framework. Leading the way, they steer our seasonal curriculum and language programs, ensuring culture is at the forefront of all we do. Through the collaborative effort with our two-way teams, their knowledge and insight guide us and how we work.

The team orchestrates instruction for young children through Our Living Curriculum, based on seasonal shifts, heritage languages, and connection with Country. This team continues to develop stories in local languages which are complemented by crafted props and songs that engage children of varying ages. Collaboratively composed with Dr Gillian Howell from Tura New Music during her residencies in the Fitzroy Valley, these songs pair with the stories, reinforcing the children's heritage, language, and cultural knowledge through repetition and shared experience.

Reflections

Embracing Inquiring-based Learning:

In 2023, we adopted an exciting new teaching method transitioning to an inquiry-based learning model. Curiosity and exploration became the guide for how we teach encouraging our students to ask questions and discover answers,

resulting in a more engaging and immersive learning experience for our students as they actively participated in their learning.

Music and Language: A highlight of 2023 was our collaborative research with Melbourne University and Tura New Music, led by Dr. Gillian Howell. Together, we created 14 songs in language and a preliminary songbook featuring 24 compositions. This project combines creativity and music as methods of preserving and maintaining culture and strengthening language with our educators feeling increased confidence from having the women present and singing in language.

Purrumpa Conference: Amy Menzies, Dr Gillian Howell, Susan Hoad, Jayedene Green, Patricia Cox, Marcia Cook and June Nixon represented Baya Gawiy at the Purrumpa Conference in Adelaide. They shared their insights and learnings with their presentation “The More You Tell a Story, the Stronger the Story Becomes.” Their presentation highlighted the strong connection between language, culture, wellbeing, and early childhood education. The incorporation of stories, music, and crafting was appreciated

as an engaging and effective teaching method with their presentation well received by attendees.

Looking ahead to 2024

As we look ahead to next year, we’re excited about strengthening and building upon many of the initiatives we started this year.

Our focus will be on nurturing and expanding our Language, Culture, and Wellbeing team via the powerful medium of arts such as music, visual arts, and movement to further enrich our program.

Embracing inquiry-based learning, we plan to dive deeper into our seasonal calendar using inquiring based learning while strengthening our knowledge and skills with this new teaching method at the same time. Lastly, we’re looking forward to inviting experts for special residencies that will further enhance our educational offerings.









STRENGTHENING FAMILIES TEAM

Our team have been able to draw on the strengths of local staff across the Valley and incorporate trauma-informed and healing ways of working into our practice.

The Strengthening Families Team offers intensive family support, therapeutic services, and practical legal support for victim-survivors of family domestic, or sexual violence (FDSV) in the Fitzroy Valley. It offers Outreach services to communities as well as counselling and therapeutic supports.

MWRC provides access to the only practicing solicitor based in the Valley. The legal office is based in Fitzroy Crossing and acts as the hub for the delivery of tailored community legal education into surrounding communities through our team of locally employed staff.

Our Women's Shelter has operated as a crisis response centre for women and children experiencing family and domestic violence in the Fitzroy Valley since its establishment in 1991.

The Shelter's support model identifies strengths of the women and families that we support and works towards increasing understanding of the impact of trauma. All aspects of Shelter support and engagement are based on the central element of prioritising safety, healing, and self-determination.

We work to ensure families and households are safe

Closing The Gap target 13 states that by 2031, the rate of all forms of family violence and abuse against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children is reduced by at least by 50%, as progress towards zero.

We recognise that exposure to family violence can have wide-ranging impacts for individuals and families across all areas of health, wellbeing, personal and financial safety. The intensive and culturally informed services offered by the Strengthening Families Team addresses some of these impacts on a practical level, while also working with individuals from a trauma-informed perspective, wrapping around the individual and families to enhance wellbeing.

While legal advice and action through the justice system are supported through our solicitor, the team works with an individual's self-identified needs and honours their strengths to encourage healing from the trauma of violence. This includes crisis care through our Women's Shelter, therapeutic interventions through art therapy or traditional counselling, advocacy to other service providers, and dedicated outreach supports. These wraparound supports are put in place to assist with safety planning to support their decision-making.

Supporting women's self-determination through a safety and wellbeing lens and acknowledging that women are the experts of their own lives, needs and wants, our team continuously work to strengthen and support families to have good lives, free from violence.

Reflections

Our programs have strived to find new ways to support and respond to the needs of Community.

This has been especially so since the flood time, where our team maintained service continuity under very challenging circumstances. We are very proud of the contribution and many additional supports that our team provided 'on-the-ground' and remotely during this time (e.g., coordinating distribution of donations, conducting additional welfare checks to households, providing crisis disaster counselling during floods).

Throughout these times, we have continued to walk alongside women and families to achieve some remarkable outcomes. In addition, we have

championed community events and initiated ongoing dedicated programs for children and young people which run in each school holiday period. We are now entering a phase of rebuilding our programs back to pre-flood capacity.

Looking forward to 2024

We are looking forward to building deeper engagement with Community and welcoming new staff to our service.

Innovative outreach programs will be co-designed with Community, with MWRC having been selected as one of two providers of 'Keeping Women Safe in their Homes' initiative in WA (the other site is in Kattaning). This service focuses on keeping women safe in the home and provides a domestic violence outreach service that is aimed at breaking the cycle of family and domestic violence. Early intervention and prevention strategies are aimed to help women and their children from becoming homeless and improve safety following family and

domestic violence (FDV).

Through the 'Better Together' initiative, MWRC is helping to lead a sector response to provision of legal services, exploring partnerships to strengthen regional capacity. This program, in coalition with 6 other regional legal services, has been established in the context of the shifting funding and policy environment with a view to enabling a partnership model that supports workforce capacity, strategic contribution to the sector and financial efficiencies.

Locally, we are strengthening our networks and collaborations with agencies and providers across the Kimberley – with a view to coordinating more seamless access for women and families of the Fitzroy Valley. This means that people can remain connected and supported even at times where they may need to travel across the Kimberley or around the State.





SHELTER

This year, the shelter operated with a fully staffed team, leading to an increase in our capacity to effectively assist the women and their children who accessed the shelter. Over the course of the past 12 months, our shelter assisted a total of 315 clients, among whom 134 were children. Even amidst the floods, our shelter remained open, providing refuge for those who needed it. The strength of our team enabled us to deliver a wide spectrum of support for the varying needs of our clients.

We have made important progress in reshaping the perceptions of domestic violence among the women who access the shelter this year. Our initiatives have focused on altering their perspectives, aiming to reframe and challenge the normalization of FDV. Central to this is equipping women with tools and understanding for the recognition of early warning signs of violence and the creation of effective safety plans. By empowering the women, we work with, we aim to actively support them in breaking the cycle of violence and encourage them to recognise their own strengths, resilience, and capabilities.

It has been great to see the continued progress from our ongoing renovations which have transformed the shelter into

an inviting and comfortable environment to stay in, with the addition of new couches, beds, and a new TV this year.

Looking forward to 2024

Our objectives for next year are centred on practical support and awareness building. We intend to strengthen our relationships with the women in the community, focusing on fostering trust and empowerment. Concurrently, we are committed to assisting them in achieving their goals. We will continue to work with the community to spread awareness about FDSV, with plans to begin working with teenagers and young adults to assist in prevention and early intervention.

Additionally, our efforts will concentrate on encouraging and supporting the women we work with to build their confidence and reflect to them the strengths they already possess. Enabling them to become sources of resilience for themselves and future generations. Our aim is to promote meaningful and sustainable change that positively impacts individuals and their communities, changing the cycle into a positive one.



OUTREACH

Reflections

Outreach supported 66 people this year consisting of 60 women and 6 children with referrals from the shelter, police, and hospital.

It was a challenging start to the year with the floods which limited our ability to travel out to communities for 2 months.

During this time, we had an additional art therapist assist us for 2 weeks, supporting people affected by the floods with art therapy and counselling. This included running group sessions at the evacuation centre for those who had been displaced. Despite the challenges, we were able to run art groups in Bayulu and Wangkatjunga throughout the year and started an art group for people in town at the Marnin top office on Wednesdays where anyone is welcome.

Outreach secured a new contract "Keeping Women Safe in their Homes" from the Dept. of Communities this 4-year funding is to support women and their children who have experienced FDSV

so they can remain in their home/home of their choosing, ensuring community connection and support is maintained. Women are supported to do this in various ways including safety planning, home security upgrades and risk assessments.

Looking forward to 2024

Next year, we are looking forward to expanding under this new funding, connecting with community groups, and establishing safety networks in partnership with community connectors to increase agency for women who have experienced FDSV to stay in their communities.

We are hoping to commence a 6-week Family and Domestic Violence program for young women to reframe perceptions of FDSV and de-normalise it.

We are excited to begin a new art group in Muludja that will also be open to surrounding communities for those who wish to participate.

Lastly, in partnership with the Shelter, the outreach art group has asked the women to paint what the shelter means to them with the intention of developing a logo for the shelter with their input.



1800RESPECT

Reflections

The 1800Respect team has accomplished a successful year highlighted by the seamless launch of the telehealth division of MWRC, which offers specialized trauma support via the 1800respect helpline. As a milestone, we achieved distinction as the first Indigenous-led organization in Western Australia within the 1800Respect framework. Moreover, our team stands as the sole entity to secure a flawless 100% rating in both comprehensive and critical audit assessments.

Looking forward to 2024

Anticipating the upcoming year, we are enthusiastic about expanding our impact by welcoming a new cohort of Specialist Trauma Counsellors into our team. Our outlook also encompasses fostering team cohesion through diverse initiatives, including structured team gatherings, collaborative workdays, and the establishment of a mentorship system for incoming team members. Our team have appreciated MWRC's support in professional growth and eagerly anticipates forthcoming opportunities for further skills enhancement.



GARDENS/ HEALING SPACES

We have been expanding our gardens to wrap around all the areas that the different teams work in. The design has been informed by many people who have shaped the concept of connection into a welcoming safe and calm space.

The different small spaces encourage us to connect with each other as well as nature. We are encouraging birds into our gardens and providing much needed green spaces and water for respite, for our women and families, our teams, as well as the birds.





OUR FLOOD STORY

The floods had a dramatic impact on everyone in the Fitzroy Valley and will continue to for years to come. The Country has changed so much, the river is unrecognisable in some places and many of us have been displaced, our work and lives disrupted. The bridge collapse has ongoing impacts that affects us all.

No one can know how this next wet season is going to impact us in Fitzroy Crossing and the surrounding communities on both sides of the river. While we were responding to different challenges each week, we were so appreciative of the support we received from supporters across the country. Many people donated funds and reached out to us to see how they could help.

People in Broome came together to raise funds and coordinated much needed supplies. Supporters such as our friends at Wesfarmers, Kmart and Target provided us with important supplies that we distributed to families and communities throughout the Valley. The collective care and supports we received helped us immensely as we work to support the many women, children, and families we work with.





OUR MONEY STORY

Financial Highlights

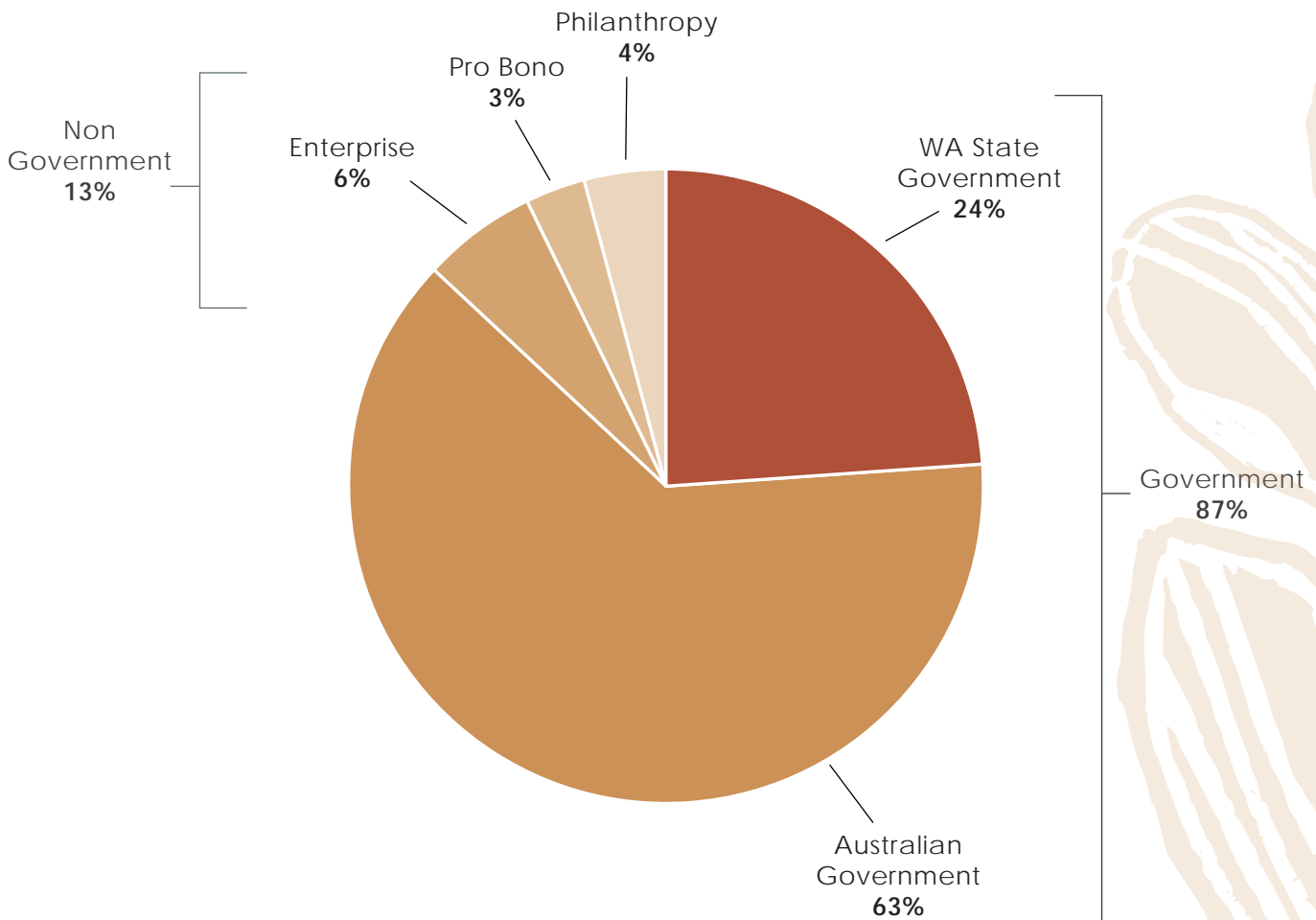
Marninwarntikura's financial position continues to be sound:

- Service delivery programs were fully funded for the 2022/23 year
- Operational reserves continue to consolidate and grew by 29% in the 2022/23 financial year

Marninwarntikura Funding by Source 2022/23

We continue to receive strong support from the Australian and Western Australian governments, while at the same time funding and support from non-government sources were 13%.

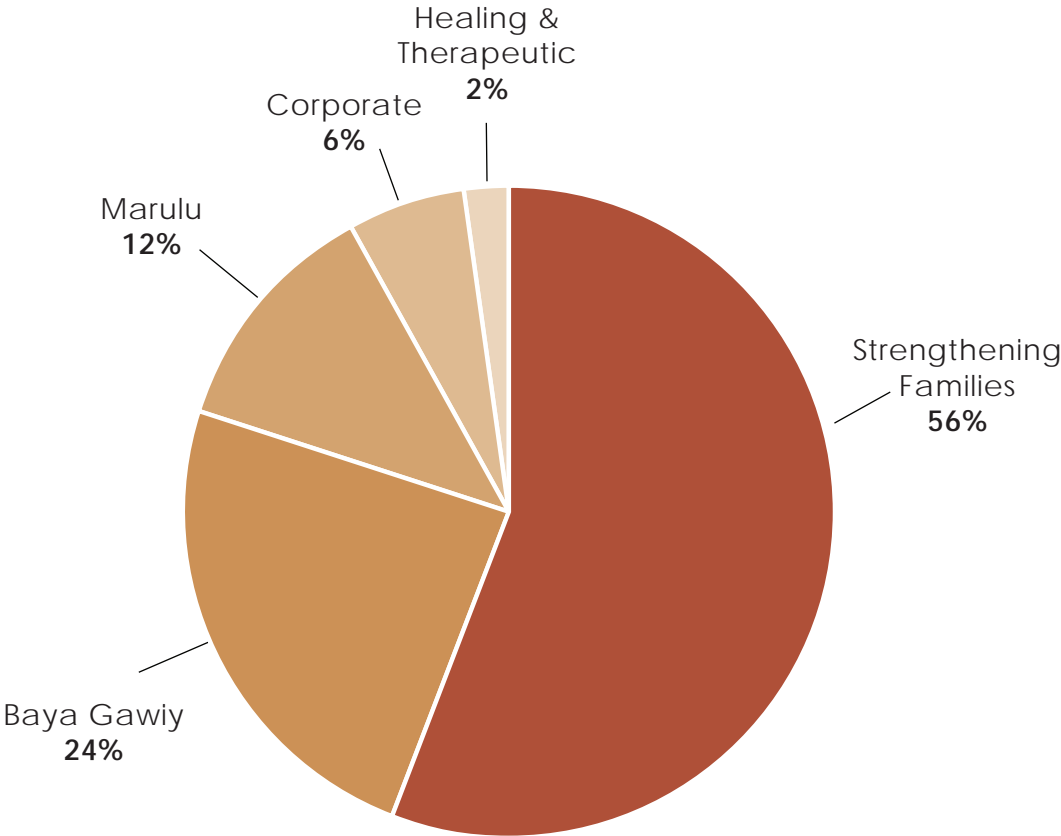
We are grateful for the ongoing funding provided by the Australian and Western Australian Governments which forms the foundation for delivery of Marninwarntikura's service programs. We also acknowledge and thank the philanthropists, donors, providers of pro bono services and other supporters and friends who facilitate the sustainability of Marninwarntikura's programs.



Operating Expenditure 2022/23

In the 2022/23 financial year, \$8 million was expended on delivery of diverse community services programs and corporate management support.

Expenditure Across Community Programs and Corporate



Capital Assets

As part of its operating reserves, Marninwarntikura has \$2.6 million of land, buildings, motor vehicles and equipment to support its ongoing operations. Marninwarntikura is continually expanding in its operations and during the 2022/23 financial year, refurbishments were made & equipment & vehicles were purchased to support this expansion.

Financial Statements and Audit

Marninwarntikura's audited financial statements for 2022/23 will be lodged with the Office of Regulation of Indigenous Corporations. They are available on request.

Stielow & Associates Chartered Accountants are our independent auditors. They have provided a 2022/23 Independent Audit Report and Certification and stated that the financial statements are:

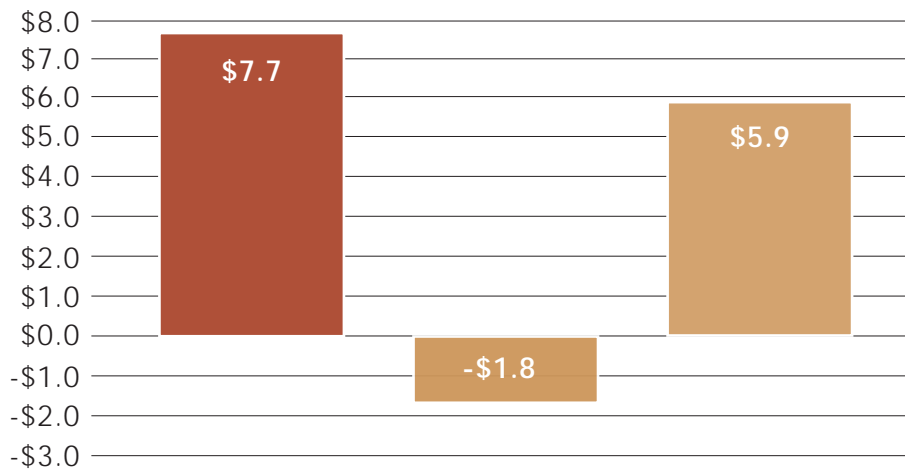
"A true and fair view of the Corporation's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and that there is compliance with Australian Accounting Standards."

The following summary and chart of our balance sheet shows a strengthening in financial position, with operational reserves to support future program activities growing 29% during the 2022/23 financial year.

Financial position at 30 June	\$M	\$M
	2023	2022
What Marninwarntikura has:		
Cash*	4.1	3.7
Property, vehicles & equipment	2.6	2.4
Other	1.0	0.3
TOTAL	7.7	6.4
What Marninwarntikura needs to pay:		
Suppliers & other amounts owing	1.8	1.4
Debt owing to bank	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	1.8	1.4
What Marninwarntikura has in reserve to support future program operations:		
Cash*	2.3	2.3
Land, buildings, vehicles & equipment	2.6	2.4
Other	1.0	0.3
TOTAL	5.9	5.0

* In addition to the cash shown, Marninwarntikura has cash of \$3.2 M (2022 financial year was \$1.8 M) which is held in trust. This cash must be used for the delivery of programs under the conditions of their funding agreements. Any unexpended amounts will be returned to the funding bodies.

Financial position at 30 June 2023 (\$ millions)



■ What we have ■ What we owe ■ What's left for future programs

Financial Outlook

Due to ongoing strong Government and Philanthropic support, Marninwarntikura has a positive financial outlook.

Marninwarntikura has consistently demonstrated strong service delivery capabilities over the years and this is recognised by the strong Government support we receive.

As per the nature of funding agreements, renewals and extensions to the agreements often carry uncertainty. Hence, Marninwarntikura is always seeking funding to ensure that we can continue to meet organisational goals, deliver vital services and programs to the community.

The Philanthropic support we have been receiving is an important part of Marninwarntikura and we will continue to maintain strong relationships with our supporters to ensure that Philanthropic funding is sustained in the long run. We have been able to extend our reach and impact the community through our programs because of the generous nature of our supporters.



OUR SUPPORTERS

Supporters , Philanthropists and Partners

Aarnja	Gooniyandi Rangers	Foundation
Alison Lester and Jane Godwin	Gourlay Charitable Trust	Mirador Design
Allanah & Madeline Foundation	Gurama Yani U (Men's Shed)	Ngurrara Women Rangers
ANKA	Healthways	Nikki Fletcher - Time 4 Craft
Armidale Rotary Central Board NSW	HP	Nindilingarri Cultural Health Services
Armidale Community Preschool	Ian Potter Foundation	Operation Sunshine
Artisans of Fashion	Indigenous Literacy Foundation	Phillips Ormonde Fitzpatrick
Arts Law Centre of Australia	Jan Cossar	Reconciliation Australia
Australian Childhood Foundation (ACF)	Jane Weston	Royal Far West
Boab Health Counselling Services	Jawun	Share the Dignity
Bunuba Rangers	KALACC	Shire of Derby West Kimberley
Burbangana Group	Kim Anderson	SNAICC
Casey Cardinia Women's Business Group	Kimberley Aboriginal Artists KAA	Social Equity Trust
Centacare	Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Service	Sue Loughlin
Circonomy	Kimberley Arts Network	Sue Motley
CLCWA	Kimberley Brain and Mind Foundation	Target
Coles Express Fitzroy Crossing	Kimberley Land Council (KLC)	Tarnanthi Art Fair
Deb Bray	Kimberley Training North Regional TAFE	Telethon Kids Institute
Endota Spa - collaborator and donor	Kmart	Telstra
Family Violence Prevention and Legal Services Forum	Lan Wang	Tracy Hill- Flow Movement
Fitzroy Crossing Tourist Information Centre	Leedal	The Ark Clothing Company
Fitzroy Valley District High School	Legal Aid (WA)	The Healing Foundation
Fitzroy Valley Hospita	Leon and Fiona George	The Kimberley Foundation
Freya Flavell	Linda Turner and volunteer sewers	The University of Sydney
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