

OUR VISION

To provide people experiencing hardship, access to the space, support, and connections they need to respond to challenges and cultivate personal strengths aiding recovery and empowerment.

OUR MISSION

St Kilda Gatehouse offers a wrap-around model of support to deliver practical assistance, places of belonging and to holistically build on strengths and capacity to provide positive pathways for vulnerable people. We prioritise women reliant on street sex work and young women and girls affected by sexual exploitation.



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OUR HISTORY

What began in 1992 as an intentional community of hospitality and support for those experiencing the cycle of homelessness and addiction, has evolved into a highly regarded community organisation and essential service that meets the needs of those who are often 'forgotten' and 'fall through the gaps' of more traditional service providers.

In 1992 the Drop In Centre was opened, strategically located in what was then the heart of Melbourne's Red Light District. The Drop In provides practical assistance and support and is often the first point of call for those living and working on the street who need a safe place of belonging, connection, and respect.

In 2015 the organisation opened its Young Women's Program in the south-eastern suburbs, working alongside young women and girls aged 12-25 years old affected by child sexual exploitation (CSE). This program aims to intervene earlier in the life of a young woman, reducing the risk of CSE and its harmful impact on their long-term health, socio-economic and educational outcomes.

In 2016 St Kilda Gatehouse began to develop 'ARISE', a professional development resource equipping frontline workers to understand and respond to the risk factors associated

with CSE. Since its launch in 2018, ARISE has been delivered to over 260 practitioners: social workers, youth workers, case managers, and others who work with at-risk young people.

In 2017 Greeves St. Social Enterprise was established. The Greeves St. Boutique Op Shop has become a much-loved community hub in the heart of St Kilda and is home for the Craft Group, Greeves St. Voices, and opportunities for women to engage in volunteering, job readiness and skills development.

St Kilda Gatehouse has a long history of working collaboratively with the community sector, Government departments, key agencies, local community groups and individuals to address the issues that limit the options of those we serve. For many who come from challenging backgrounds it's a source of dignity, hope and belonging.

Today St Kilda Gatehouse 8.8 full time equivalent staff across 16 individuals, is governed by an independent Board, and has the commitment of approximately 50 dedicated regular and project volunteers across our various programs that help us create our vision and achieve our mission.

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STRATEGIC OVERVIEW 2022-2025

This year marked the second year into our 2022-25 strategic plan as we have continued to grow our strengths in direct service provision, seek opportunities to extend our reach, and build sustainability.

Our four strategic directions are:

- Serve deliver high quality services
- Connect build stronger partnerships
- Promote raise awareness of St Kilda Gatehouse's impact
- Thrive secure a sustainable future

PRIMARY SECONDARY TERTIARY INTERVENTION **INTERVENTION INTERVENTION** Young Women's **Greeves St Craft Drop-in Centre and** Outreach: **Program and ARISE: Group and Op Shop:** Breaking the cycle Skill development, Safe space for of abuse before it creative therapies and respectful relationships takes hold with at peer-based community and practical assistance risk young women building among women so that change might through education and seeking change. be imagined and empowerment. considered by women in crisis.

Source: McGrow, 2022 Social Impact Report

All St Kilda Gatehouse programs and support services are concerned with safeguarding women and girls (she/her) from the negative impact sexual exploitation has on both short— and long-term health, education and socio-economic outcomes on an individual's life. We provide support and/or intervention at any stage of the sexual exploitation cycle.

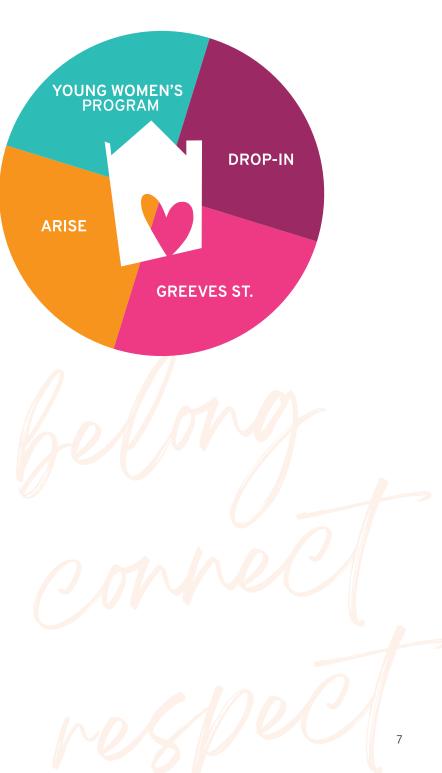
Our 360° model holds significant potential for breaking a cycle of exploitation. Providing long-term support and community empowers those reliant on street sex work to find hope and to seek support for self-care. Hence the St Kilda Gatehouse approach and mantra "belong connect respect" is integral to the way St Kilda Gatehouse provides support services.

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YEARS OF SUPPORT OUTREACH THROUGH DROP IN

YEARS OF SEXUAL EXPLOITATION DISRUPTION SUPPORT THROUGH YWP

YEARS OF GREEVES STREET SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

YEARS OF ARISE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



Our focus is always
first on Clients

CHAIRPERSON REPORT

The year ended 30 June 2024 is a groundbreaking year for St Kilda Gatehouse. Despite the difficult economic conditions that have prevailed, we are blessed and grateful for the continuing support of our donors and partners, who have enabled our programs to thrive. This annual report provides a snapshot of each program with stories, data and financial information about the support services offered. Behind the scenes, we have worked to establish more mature governance processes. We have had an external review of our policies and procedures, improved our use of information technology, obtained an independent evaluation and conducted internal client surveys to assess the social impact of our programs.

Our focus is always first on clients, and the benefits of understanding needs and assessing impact cannot be underestimated. During the past year St Kilda Gatehouse continued to implement its strategic business plan, improving our use of information technology to reduce risk and inform our service delivery by:

- Upgrading legacy IT systems to provide a secure IT platform that will support our program delivery into the future:
- Enhancing our data collection to better inform social impact initiatives
- Improving project financial reporting to ensure timely and accurate stewardship of funding received and expended

Our continuous improvement measures enable us to be more efficient and intentional in the support we provide, as we measure the demand for services month by month and match resources accordingly. The deficit reported for the year ended 30 June 2024 largely reflects the unfunded cost of improvements implemented, which were entirely necessary to provide a solid foundation for building our reporting capability, and our program evaluation into the future.

St Kilda Gatehouse draws on more than 30 years of experience that informs the way we provide support and build positive pathways for vulnerable women. Life on the streets can be chaotic, isolating and brutal. The Young Women's Program and School Group Work Programs provide early intervention and support so that young women at risk of sexual exploitation, who participate in these programs, receive both information and support to empower the life choices they make for themselves. It is hard to imagine the additional challenges faced by the many vulnerable young women who navigate life without support.

Despite the increasing awareness of violence against women and the sexual exploitation of women and girls, there is often a gap in funding criteria offered, which can restrict St Kilda Gatehouse eligibility. We are immensely grateful to all those who partner with us to enable our mission and outreach to continue. We know that the societal need for our outreach services far exceeds our resources. Please join with us in sharing this annual report in your circles of influence, to continue to raise awareness of the stories from our clients and staff and together we will make a difference, one life at a time.

Last but not least, a big thank you to our dedicated team of staff and volunteers and to our CEO Nickie Gyomber. Your care of our clients, differentiated by your endless "unhurried kindness" inspires me each and every day. Your work actively demonstrates that every woman and girl is worthy and every life matters.



S. Dianne Azoor Hughes Chair, St Kilda Gatehouse

REPORT FROM THE CEO

What a joy it has been to join the amazing team of St Kilda Gatehouse this year! Each day I have witnessed the transformative work of unhurried kindness: from a girl identifying how emotions can positively inform decisions, to a middle aged women self-advocating for housing. St Kilda Gatehouse's model of gentle, relational support continues to empower the vulnerable. I hope that you will enjoy the stories of care shared on each programme's page.

As an organisation, this year has seen us improve our IT systems, intentionally participate in the education of human services professionals, and tighten evaluation processes across all programmes.

Updating our client management system was a major feature of the first half of 2024 as we reviewed all our data collection to ensure that we're able to describe the work of this place. For example, we identified that "safe rest" is an important support offered to our rough sleeping Drop In visitors, and we are now able to track the true extent of care we provide.

St Kilda Gatehouse has long supported the growing of our next generation of human services professionals. This year we partnered with Chisholm Institute to provide student placements across our Drop In Centre and the Young Women's Program. This is the first time that the Young Women's Program has welcomed students and the team has embraced this new opportunity to extend community understanding of identifying and disrupting sexual exploitation.

Part of this partnership has involved participation in the Industry Course Advisory Committee, enabling St Kilda Gatehouse experiences to inform the education of this next generation.

We have been delighted to receive the Centre for Social Impact, Swinburne University, final report from the external evaluation of our Young Women's Program which concluded: "The data presented ...clearly demonstrates the significant and far-reaching impact of the Young Women's Program (YWP) at St Kilda Gatehouse." This is a programme that works. I hope that you will enjoy reading more highlights from the evaluation throughout this annual report.

Of course, resourcing this important work remains a constant challenge. However, it does present an opportunity to share St Kilda Gatehouse stories with community groups, churches, schools, philanthropic partners, and local leaders. As we share stories of challenge and care, trauma and transformation, we are working to build a more compassionate world.

We are grateful to all supporters who participate with us in creating a place where people know what it is to belong, the beauty of connection, and feel respected.

Thank-you,



Nickie Gyomber CEO, St Kilda Gatehouse



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DROP IN

This has been another year full of challenges, highlights, and opportunities in the life of St Kilda Gatehouse Drop In community.

Trauma, mental health, physical health, recurring homelessness, addiction, legal issues, family violence, social isolation, and financial hardship are just some of the challenges faced by those we serve.

For those living in precarious circumstances,
Drop In is a constant source of support. Drop
In meets practical, emotional, and connection
needs with fresh meals, a listening ear, and
referral to specialist services. Drop In is a
reliable place of non-judgemental support that,
for many of our most marginalised neighbours,
becomes a place of belonging.

"the Gatehouse was the only place I could fall back on time to time"

"its Safe here."

A range of programs are run out of the Drop In. Here are a few:

Van outreach program allows us to engage with clients who are struggling with isolation, transport and mobility, and poverty. On home visits we provide food parcels, welfare checks, referral to other services, and a friendly face to hear their current struggles.

Local rough sleepers are also supported by Van Outreach. Visiting places known to be popular sleeping locations we distribute "food, drinks, and toiletries" parcels, slowly building trust and rapport. People are invited to our weekly community meal and may be referred to other services as needed.

Thursday Evening Community meal has been running for around 18 years, and continues to be appreciated by all, especially the most socially isolated. Initially just an evening BBQ, this meal has evolved and now staff, volunteers, students, and clients contribute to preparing and cooking a meal. This is also a space where we celebrate birthdays and milestones.

Van Outreach and the Thursday Evening
Community meal, like all Drop In services,
strive to maintain a safe place of belonging,
connection and respect to all in our community.

A STORY FROM DROP IN

*name changed for privacy

Maxine dreams of a life that is more than just survival, but too often past traumas make it hard to get through the day. Maxine has lived with family violence, insecure housing, and life-controlling addiction, but she still holds onto her dream.

Earlier this year, Maxine was evicted from her housing. She had been unable to keep up with payments and couldn't bring herself to ask for help. It was a very dark time for Maxine and she wondered whether she could go on.

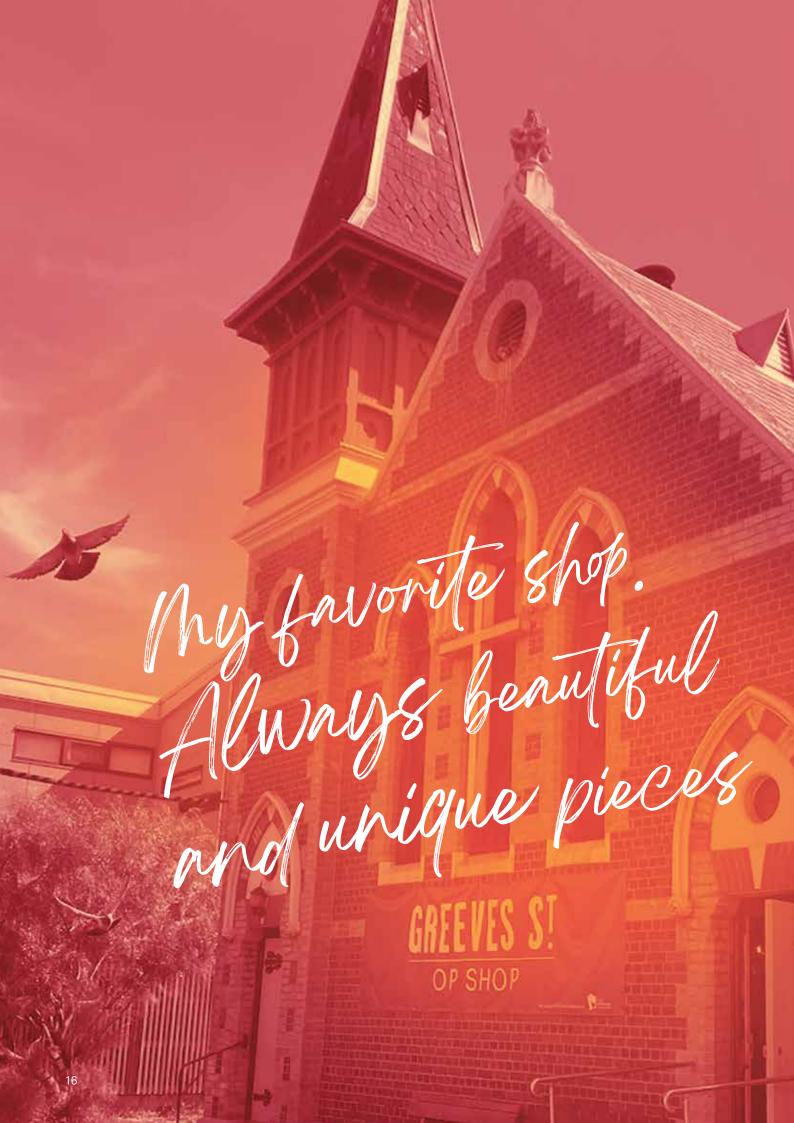
As a long time Drop In visitor, we have been able to walk with Maxine through this dark time. Our team helped her arrange safe storage of her possessions, welcomed her for meals, and were always ready to listen when Maxine wanted to talk. We've encouraged Maxine to maintain connections with housing services and have been a stable place where she can be contacted. During this time, Maxine has worked to break the hold of addiction and to dream again.

Maxine continues to face the challenge of insecure housing, but she knows that she is not alone. At Drop In, she has a safe place to belong, where she can connect with community, and where she is respected.

When asked how she felt about Drop In, Maxine said:

"Without you guys, I wouldn't be here"

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GREEVES STREET SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

Greeves Street social enterprise exists to empower women by providing opportunities to develop pre-employment skills and community connections.

Greeves Street Op Shop

This year has seen Greeves St. Op Shop settle into our new location at 169 Chapel Street. We have been building relationships with our neighbours, ensuring an accessible and welcoming environment for the cohort of women we serve, and of course, growing our customer base.

Sales were mostly steady across a year that was characterised by rising interest rates and a well-documented cost-of-living crisis. In April we recommenced Sunday trading, this was embraced by our customers and shop activity really gathered momentum. By the end of the financial year Greeves St. Op Shop was on the map, and increasingly on specialty op shop social media posts.

The cohort of women we serve are always welcomed at our op shop, where they may access material aid or stop by for a chat. Some offer to help in the shop, and we always find meaningful ways to contribute.

Our incredible team of volunteers continue to be critical support to this work and many have taken on specialist roles. Customers comment on the friendliness, helpfulness, and kindness of our wonderful staff and volunteers, telling us they love the "vibe" of the shop. "Beautiful little shop and the staff were lovely! Everything was super clean and well presented. Supporting a great cause also!"

"My favorite shop. Always beautiful and unique pieces."

Greeves St. Craft Group

The Greeves St. Craft Group enjoyed its 8th year with a steady little group of participants, who have continued to attend beyond their individual graduations. Some participants have created ranges of items to sell in the shop: one participant sold 40 units of her product to a single customer. This has brought her an opportunity to develop a wide range of small business skills. Community and Philanthropic partners kindly supported the group with the provision of materials and incentives.

Greeves St. Voices

Greeves Street Voices is an education and team building program for groups to engage with the stories of St Kilda Gatehouse. Greeves Street Voices has generated increased interest this year, following some quiet years during Covid recovery. School and corporate visitors have enjoyed our re-shaped program which focusses on storytelling, interactive "understanding privilege" activities, and on crafting products to support the work.

"it opened my eyes to the number of people out there who have suffered"

"I've become more empathic"



A STORY FROM GREEVES ST.

*name changed for privacy

One day in May, Patricia* joined our team of community volunteers for one hour. Patricia is well-known to us from our Drop In Centre and told us she hoped to "help out" in the shop. Our Program Manager was ready with a suitable task! Patricia helped de-summer the children's racks and then eagerly learned our method of hanging new stock.

Patricia was a terrific help – even on that first volunteer shift. Staff and community volunteers were willing ears as Patricia chatted joyfully, taking great pride in her work. Patricia has since been making the effort to volunteer once per week as she is enjoying mastery of op shop tasks and the new interpersonal connections she is making.

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YOUNG WOMEN'S PROGRAM

"I like talking to you. It's nice to have somebody who I can say anything to that isn't a part of my friend or family group. I know I can say things and it's safe with you."

The Young Women's Program continues to be the service of choice amongst case managers seeking interventions to disrupt sexual exploitation. Across 3 streams of care, we support some of our community's most vulnerable young women who have often experienced childhood trauma, disconnection from family, and social isolation.

1:1 Outreach Care

Our team provides therapeutic, relational and individualised support to build a young person's protective factors against sexual exploitation. This involves gently building an understanding of grooming and exploitation while modelling a supportive, healthy relationship to enables young people to make life empowered choices. In February we identified that among those we support, 60% improve and a further 18% maintain Protective Factors – a great outcome, when the unsupported trajectory is often a reduction.

Secondary Consultations

Our expert advice is accessed by professionals seeking to best support young people in their care and continues to be a feature of our extended support. We maintain regular contact with Child Protection teams across the South and East and are available on-demand for schools and other service providers.

Over the past 12 months we have supported 92 individual young girls and young women across our intensive 1:1 Outreach Care and expert Secondary Consultation streams.

Schools Based Group Work

Well-regarded by Wellbeing Teachers, our team provides essential early intervention within the school setting, that targets supporting a young person's protective factors against child sexual exploitation. This year, 79 young people engaged in our early intervention Schools Based Group Work and their feedback offers a glimpse of the positive impact of this program.

"They helped me learn a better version of me and what I am worth."

External Evaluation conducted by Swinburne University's Centre for Social Impact

This year we were delighted to receive the results of an external evaluation into the impacts of the YWP. Here are some highlights:

- 100% respondents reported feeling safe and secure with their worker
- 89% reported improvements in mental health and in having a sense of belonging
- 83% reported improvements in being able to stand up for themselves and having choice in their own lives
- The biggest barriers to achieving positive



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Alice* has engaged with YWP for over 2 years, and she has participated in our peer group holiday programs, equine intervention, and 1:1 outreach support.

Recently Alice was able to articulate that she no longer felt like she needed our intensive support. Alice could see how she had grown so much with YWP support: learning more about herself and relationships, staying safe and self-advocating, as well as improving family and community connections.

Alice told us how has benefited by using the St Kilda Gatehouse ARISE cards – these have given her a way to identify and voice her emotions. As we farewelled Alice she said that the best thing about YWP support was:

"That I had someone that just wanted to listen and help me. We used these cards with words on them. This helped me understand how I was feeling, why I was feeling that way and how my emotions start, which I had never fully understood before. But now I'm using them every day to understand why I'm feeling the way I do."

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ARISE

Since 2018, our ARISE Professional
Development programme has been equipping those working with young people with an understanding of the signs and suitable responses to Sexual Exploitation.

Combining the latest research into child sexual exploitation with the wisdom grown through our work in the Young Women's Program, ARISE provides practical support for professionals for whom this is, sadly, an increasingly important part of the toolkit.

ARISE is typically offered across 2 days in an interactive online format, promoting both accessibility and an opportunity to process taught concepts. While sexual exploitation is a difficult topic, ARISE keeps this a safe space, using stories, stats, discussion, and activities.

Over this year, 67 professionals participated in ARISE professional development, spreading the benefits across all of the young people they support.

"It was informative and framed in a way that makes it easy to apply in my role"

"Information provided was relevant and provided further insight"

What is sexual exploitation?

"Actual or attempted abuse of a position of vulnerability, power, or trust for sexual purpose, including, but not limited to profiting monetarily, socially or politically from the sexual exploitation of another" (as defined by World Health Organisation).

SUPPORTERS & PARTNERS

We are better able to assist those reliant on street based sex work or affected by sexual exploitation through collaborative relationships with various groups from within the community. St Kilda Gatehouse is linked to and resourced by community groups, local and state government, churches, trust and foundations, agencies and other sponsors.

We acknowledge that partnerships evolve and come and go and we are thankful for the past involvement of various groups and individuals. We would like to acknowledge the most current and recent supports, partners and collaborative relationships over the past 12 months which are also reflected in our finances.

Thank you for the kindness of regular monthly donors and individual givers, despite the current cost of living crisis. We are grateful.

Argo Foundation

Australian Nursing & Midwifery Federation

Barnabas Group

Better Health Network

Blaze your Trail

Churches of Christ Victoria & Tasmania

City of Port Phillip

CityLife Casey

Collier Charitable Fund

Collins Biggers Paisley

Community Care St Kilda

Etrea Foundation

Fitted for Work

Flora & Frank Leith Charitable Trust

Foodbank

Gospel Resource

Grace Church of Christ

Hillsong

Igniting Change

IRESS

Jack Brockhoff Foundation

James Farmer & Rutti Loh

Kogo (Knit One Give One)

MacPherson Kelly Foundation

Melbourne Women's Fund

Mildura Church of Christ

Our Village

Oz Harvest

Phoenix

Pierce Armstrong Foundation

Pinchapoo

Pitcher Partners

Port Phillip Community Group

Price Waterhouse Cooper

Queen's fund

Share the Dignity

Shine On Foundation

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St Kilda/Elsternwick Baptist Church

St Kilda-Southport Uniting Church

StreetSmart Australia

Transparent Medical Imaging

Truth & Liberation Concern

Victorian Government

Victoria's Stables

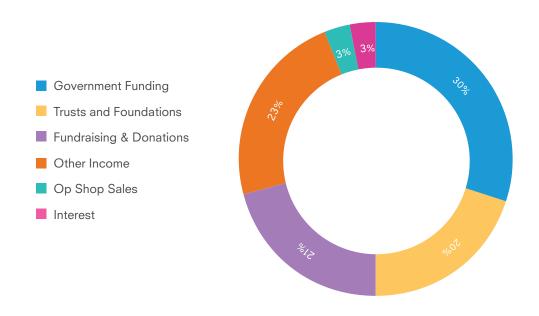
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FINANCES 2023–2024

INCOME

	100%	\$ 1,117,966
Interest Income	3%	\$ 33,830
Other Income	3%	\$ 33,995
Op Shop Sales	23%	\$ 254,877
Fundraising and Donations	21%	\$ 238,060
Trusts and Foundations	20%	\$ 221,578
Government Funding	30%	\$ 335,626



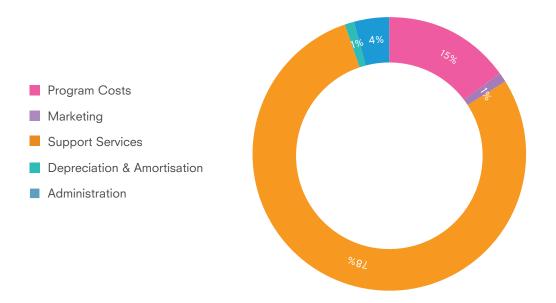
Where your funds were invested

St Kilda Gatehouse operated four main service delivery programs this past year:

- Drop In Centre
- Young Women's Program
- Greeves Street Craft Group
- ARISE

EXPENDITURE

(Deficit)/Surplus		\$	1,152,923
	100%		
Administration	4%	\$	8,757
Depreciation and Amortisation	1%	\$	17,231
Support Services	78%	\$	903,665
Marketing	1%	\$	11,204
Program Costs	15%	\$	172,066
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Support services represents a total of 78% of all expenditure in the last financial year. Allocated funding was directed toward the particular program for which funds were given in accordance with funding agreements and requirements.

Please see the ACNC or our website to download a complete set of audited financial statements

OUR IMPACT

5492 PROGRAM VISITS

Drop In: open access crisis and support centre for those reliant on street sex work.

Young Women's
Program: specialised
support for young
people (12-25yrs)
affected by sexual
exploitation.

Greeves St. Social Enterprise: operates as an Op Shop and is home for Craft Group

833 FORMS OF HOUSING SUPPORT

Includes referrals to primary housing services, access to lockers, backpack bedding, use of shower and laundry.

8342 MATERIAL AID

Includes meals, groceries, clothing, shoes and toiletries.

1366 FORMS OF TARGETED SUPPORT

Our programs include parental support, pharmacotherapy, community overdose prevention, and social inclusion programs that focus on emotional wellbeing and interpersonal skills development.

1168 MENTORING AND EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

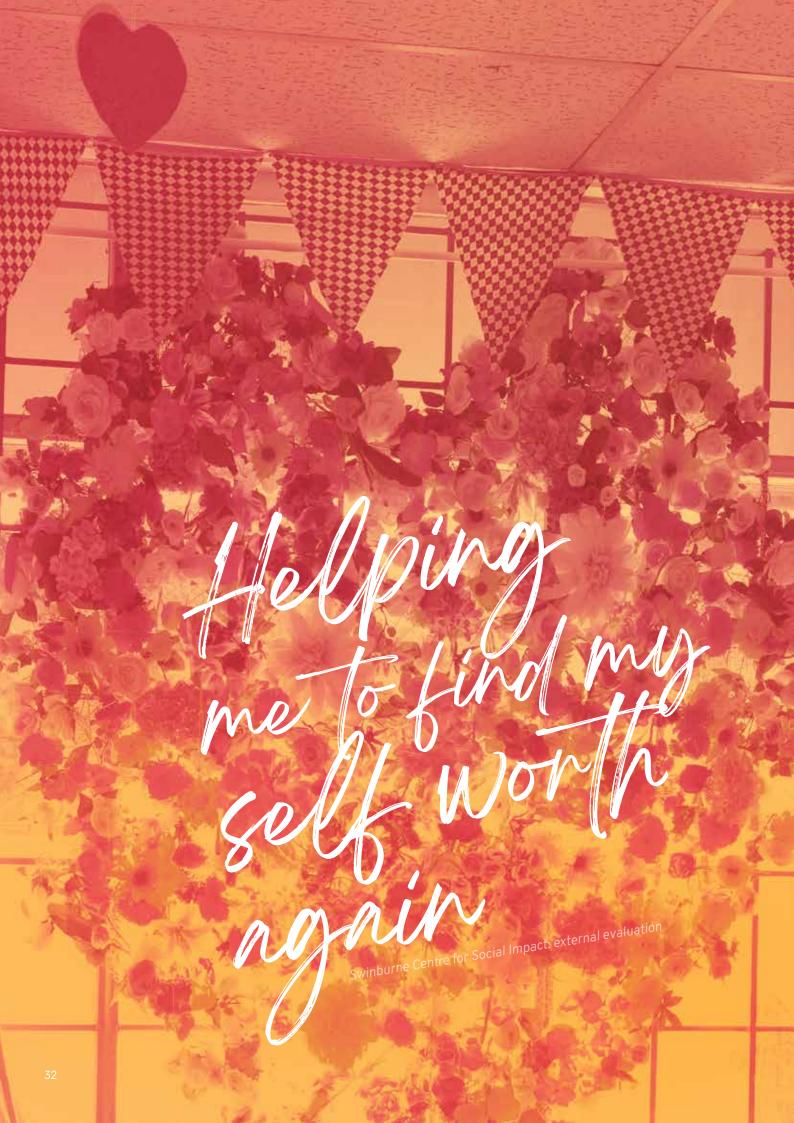
Support sessions focus on sexual, AOD and mental health, informal counselling and child sexual exploitation risk factors.

709 ADVOCACY AND REFERRALS

Connecting to primary services for health and wellbeing, legal, and housing needs.

9856 HARM MINIMISATION

Provided needles, syringes and sexual health supplies across all services.



Most Drop In visitors attend at least weekly (80%), with 10% attending daily.

61%

61% of Young Women's Program participants report that their housing is a barrier to achieving positive change.

33%

33% of Drop In visitors told us they prefer connecting to other services through St Kilda Gatehouse, because "it's safe here"

45%

45% of Drop In visitors access our needle and syringe exchange program

89%

89% of Young Women's Program participants reported an improvement in their mental health

95%

Drop In visitors report accessing more than one service each visit. The most common service is "coffee and snacks" (95%).

89%

89% of Young Women's Program participants tell us that they have been supported to learn how to have safe relationships

Data drawn from annual internal participant survey of Drop In Centre, and Swinburne Centre for Social Impact external evaluation of Young Women's Program.

OUR BOARD

Each month the board meets to discuss strategy, governance, financial management and other significant matters for which they are responsible. Each member brings their expertise and experience and collectively provide oversight for the Mission and Vision of St Kilda Gatehouse. We are grateful for their dedication and deep commitment.

S. Dianne Azoor Hughes - Chair of the Board



Dianne is a consultant in governance, risk and audit with more than 35 years of experience in business, including 20 years in senior executive and board roles. In the past 5 years Dianne has worked primarily with not-for-profit entities, using her commercial experience to promote good governance and effective, efficient internal processes for

strategy implementation.

John Sutherland - Secretary



John has been a practising lawyer for 30 years. He also teaches law at RMIT. He is involved in pastoral leadership roles, most recently at Compass Church. Finally, he is a bit of a sports fanatic -running/cycling.

Andrew North - Treasurer



Andrew has worked as a Business Manager in schools and in large and smaller churches in Administration. He also worked in a denominational head office training church Treasurers. With his not for profit experience of school and church governance, and his financial understanding he is also able to input at an operational level as well

as on the Board.

Simon de Bell - Member



Simon has 34 years experience in blue-chip international organisations including 20 years in senior management roles, and is now a management consultant on energy and technology policy. Simon is a warden at Ormond Anglican Church, volunteers in the Not-For-Profit sector and is an accredited spiritual carer (ASPEA inc).

Rosie Camilleri - Member



Rosie has both senior practitioner and management experience for over 20 years across a broad range of platforms. She has worked in the alcohol and other drugs field; homelessness and is currently working in the family violence sector. Rosie comes from a framework that incorporates social justice, harm minimisation, person centred

care and trauma informed practice. Rosie's passion is to see people realise their worth.

Beth Pocklington – Member



Beth has nearly 20 years of experience in business operations across the retail, fitness, allied health, and early childhood sectors. She loves the diverse and dynamic nature of operations and believes in leading teams of individuals committed to achieving commercial and cultural success. Beth is passionate about using her professional

skills to serve and support the community, where she can hopefully add value to other people's lives.

Nickie Gyomber - Chief Executive Officer



Nickie commenced her career as a Speech Pathologist, specialising in adult neurosciences. Noticing the connection between head injury and AOD use, she completed graduate qualifications in Addiction Studies, later going on to complete a Master of Public Health. Nickie has worked in health care, small business, and community based

organisations as clinician, healthcare administrator, and volunteer coordinator.

Addressing the social determinants of health is a passion and she brings a health and wellbeing lens to the work of St Kilda Gatehouse.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

The work of St Kilda Gatehouse is only possible by the generous contributions of our amazing volunteers. We are so grateful to our volunteers who serve on our Board, through Drop In, the op shop, and for special projects. This year, over 45 people regularly offered their skills and time, many having journeyed with us for over ten years. Others join us for a short time to volunteer their especial gifts and graces for particular projects.

This year we surveyed our Greeves Street Social Enterprise volunteer team to learn what there is to love about volunteering at our op shop:

95% told us that what they most like is being part of an organisation that does important work.

Our volunteers also like working with each other and have formed a connection with the St Kilda Gatehouse staff and mission. Survey respondents used the words "Rewarding", "Love", and "Welcoming" about their time as volunteers.

Thank-you to all who share their gifts and time so graciously!

"I have been promoter of diversity and gender equality in the workplace throughout my professional life, but since joining St Kilda Gatehouse I have gained a deeper understanding of the lack of gender equity in our society and especially for those living or growing up in abusive relationships... I feel privileged to contribute to this work".

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