

MarionLIFE

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*Stories
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Hope*



“Very nice volunteer on the phone. Really appreciate it. I have been feeling lonely due to depression for a long time, so the phone calls have helped somehow.”

The Staying Connected Project Participant



Chair Report 2020

Peter Fowler, Chairperson, MarionLIFE Board of Governance

MarionLIFE has continued to provide support to those in need in our community and practical help through the challenging times that flowed from the pandemic situation. Our staff led by Leighton Boyd and in conjunction with Lauren Bonnet developed novel solutions to provide services to our clients and sustain contact with those who were socially isolated.

The Emergency Relief Program expanded its area of coverage and this has enabled support to be provided to clients outside the immediate Mitchell Park area.

Progress has been made toward accreditation under the Australian Excellence Standard but to cope with the unprecedented situation, realignment of activities was needed to meet immediate operational demands. This remains an important strategic matter and work in this area has recommenced. The board sees this accreditation as a further step in the maturity of the organisation and a demonstration of the commitment to accountability and consistent service delivery.

Our over 100 dedicated volunteers have continued to contribute in so many ways in often changing and challenging circumstances. These people generously give of their time with good heart and spirit to help those who are lonely, less fortunate and facing other adversity, that this year has been so apparent. I thank them most sincerely for their precious gift.

We continue to have the support of our State and Commonwealth Governments, Marion City Council, Westpac Bank, Marion Church of Christ and individual benefactors. The Board is most grateful for this support and diligently stewards these grants and gifts.

The need to secure funds to provide services is ever-present and the organisation is in a stable financial situation. The board regularly reviews programs for relevancy and explores avenues to increase revenue.

This year we are seeing the retirement of three long serving board members. Janet Turner, Andy Bertram, and Joy Rodda have each given over ten years of dedicated service. As a matter of policy, the board seeks to appoint members based on their commitment to the ethos of the organisation and their ability to bring relevant skills to the board. Three new members have been appointed: Kate Cross, Rebecca Scott and Janine Lambert covering the areas of risk and compliance, public image, and partnerships

It is an honour to serve in an organisation that demonstrates a Christian heart and I look forward to continuing to serve.

Sincerely,

Peter Fowler
Chair

MarionLIFE Community Services Director's Report 2020



Thank you to all the people who make MarionLIFE possible – our staff, volunteers, and supporters. At the time of writing, MarionLIFE Community Services has over 100 volunteers across 14 different Community Services.

Our Mission: MarionLIFE Community Services is a not-for-profit community organisation that strives to provide meaningful, flexible and responsive care, support and pathways to individuals and families in need.

Our Vision: We aim to express the love of God through relationships and services that enrich lives, maximise independence and provide hope.

MarionLIFE Community Services Inc. Board of Governance

Peter Fowler – Chairperson

Kate Cross – Vice-Chair and Compliance

Steve Sherrah – Treasurer

Clare Ashley – Secretary

Janine Lambert – Partnerships

Rebecca Scott – Public Image

Leighton Boyd – (Executive) Director

Thank you to the following Board Members, who finished their service during this year: Joy Rodda, Janet Turner and Andy Bertram. Each volunteered on the Board for over 10 years and our organisation is in a stronger and more sustainable position because of their significant and faithful service.

In November 2019, our third annual community and fundraising event the MarionLIFE Hunger Walk was held again. A 4km walk along the Sturt River followed by a fun family-friendly community event. We thoroughly enjoyed connecting with our community to fight hunger together and thank event supporters and volunteers who made this event possible. The 2020 event is going ahead, but taking a different shape – visit www.marionlife.org.au/hungerwalk for more information and to get involved!

Also, in November we were humbled and privileged to have our Marion Mugs program selected as the State winner of the SA Community Achievement Loneliness Cure Award, sponsored by Community Centres SA. Read more in the Marion Mugs report.

In February 2020 we launched a new look for MarionLIFE – an updated brand to better reflect who we are today and where we want to go in the future. This update included a new logo and our goal was to develop a simple, recognisable brand that celebrates our beautiful community, and helps the people we interact with feel welcome, safe and at home. The logo introduced new vibrant colours that reflect the warm and welcoming environment of our centre. They also capture the diversity and unique strengths that people contribute to our community. While we celebrate the colour and life in Marion, we chose to keep the word 'LIFE' in green to represent the stability of our organisation that has been serving the local community for over 35 years. We hope you'll agree that our new look projects a sense of warmth and approachability, and we also want you to know that our existing services, programs, and dedication to providing meaningful, flexible and responsive care and support to individuals and families in need remains the same.

In March, as the global pandemic came to Adelaide, we resolved to be the same organisation and continue operating and working to fulfill our mission. This meant how we achieved this looked much different to what it did before, as detailed below.

Emergency Relief – there was a period of no visits inside the building, instead providing occasional visits at the window, becoming largely phone based, direct food parcel collection from Foodbank and offering home deliveries as needed. Information about other supports remained vital, and we continued to provide contact details for services like mental health support, homelessness and domestic violence over the phone and via flyers included with the food parcels.

The Staying Connected Project – we launched this project to connect volunteers with those in our neighbourhood who would like someone to check in with them. A special thanks to our Services Coordinator Lauren Bonnet for her quickness and creativity getting this project started. Volunteers were recruited and trained, and phone calls commenced to people who wanted to be contacted – including those participants who would normally have been attending our various groups on site. This was open to anyone in the community to either volunteer or receive calls. We also installed The Staying Connected Mailbox on Alawoona Avenue out the front of Good Gear, so anyone could drop off a letter or card of encouragement in the letterbox, and we posted these to people we knew who are vulnerable in the community – especially those who don't have access to a computer and/

or phone. Many of our community are digitally disconnected, but we were determined to ensure they did not become socially disconnected and I am proud of how our team responded during this time.

As of late July, it was pleasing with restrictions continuing to ease in SA to commence gathering in person again! I want to thank our staff, volunteers and community for their efforts and patience with the extra time it takes to understand what is, and is not, allowed and of course the increased distancing and cleaning we all need to do.

Some stories about the impact of our work are below; these have been a great encouragement our team.

"(Marion Mugs) is an excellent program. Very friendly people who are open and supportive. Gained friendships, opportunity to share stories, feelings and inclusion and helping others to feel included." Marion Mugs Participant, November 2019

"Getting to know local guys, good sense of community." Brekky for Blokes Participant, November 2019

"I feel there are a lot of lonely people in the community who enjoy meeting, and many have made lasting friendships." Community Meal Volunteer, November 2019

"Both William and Charlotte were great to talk too, they were friendly and kind. I'm already excited to speak to them again in a fortnights time. This project is awesome and I want to congratulate you guys on such a great initiative." Volunteer, The Staying Connected Project, April 2020 (names have been changed)

Thank you again to our volunteers and my sincere thanks to the many individuals, groups and funding bodies that make our work possible. I hope you are encouraged and inspired as you read our full Annual Report about the stories and people that make MarionLIFE Community Services – thank you for being part of this story.



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Learn more about MarionLIFE Community Services Inc. by visiting our website www.marionlife.org.au.

Yours Faithfully,

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Garden Tool Library

Leighton Boyd, Director

We are pleased to continue hosting Junction Australia's Garden Tool Library – an initiative where local residents are able to borrow tools to help them with their gardening and maintenance. This was made possible by a grant from the City of Marion and help from Bunnings.

The Garden Tool Library is located next to our Community Garden at MarionLIFE, 887 Marion Road, Mitchell Park and is open on Tuesdays. This is a fantastic initiative that enhances opportunities for people to build connections in their community.

Garden tools are available to hire for a small fee and hiring is open to all.



Community Garden

Lauren Bonnet, Services Coordinator

The Community Garden this year has seen some new people bring their skills to our soil, which has produced an abundance of vegetables that have been given out to individuals who visit our Emergency Relief Service, and to the Side Gate Café for low cost meals. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 our garden had to close along with our centre for a few months, but we are very thankful to one of the members of our community who came down every now and then to keep things alive and the garden area manageable!

Our garden is a space for people of all different skills and abilities to gather, and one where the socialising over morning tea is just as important as the work! The team have a goal of making the garden a really productive space with plenty of vegetable varieties growing so even more can be given away to the community. We would love others to join us in the garden, those who have skills to share or those who want to learn some basics- everyone is welcome. Come and join us on Tuesday or Thursday morning from 9:30am. We are especially looking for someone who would like to lead the team in the garden, please get in touch if that may interest you.

Confident Budgeting

Sue Pastro, Adult Community Education Course Facilitator

We held three courses in the past year, two were run onsite at MarionLIFE and one was off site supporting tenants from Housing Choices SA. The Spend Tracker continued to be a helpful resource for participants as they are asked to write down everything they spend over a two week period, then we divide it all into "Needs and Wants". We also do a session on utilities that is very popular with everyone learning about electricity and how to save money.



The Staying Connected Project



Lauren Bonnet, Services Coordinator

Our role as a community centre is to facilitate a space for people to connect with others in their neighbourhood, to make new friends over dinner or in the garden, to share life with one another through acts of gathering together. When COVID-19 restrictions hit and we had to pause our groups, we needed to be creative about how we would continue supporting these things to happen, but in a completely different way. The additional layer of challenge for this was many of our participants not only live alone and have limited support networks, but they are also digitally disconnected.



The Staying Connected Project was created based on the very simple concept of connecting participants with volunteers who would get in touch on a regular basis to check in, provide information, support with referrals if needs were greater, and just generally be a new friend and listening ear. As part of this project we ran a series of Car Park Connections – takeaway meals in our car park, giving people a chance to gather safely, socialise from a distance and have a good meal. We also set up The Staying Connected Letterbox, for people to write and drop off general cards and notes of encouragement for others, which we then distributed via our Emergency Relief Service.

Stories of Hope

“This is such a lovely program to be involved in and I hope it has lifted the spirits of my three ‘pen pals’. I’ve gained an appreciation for these types of programs and love how they bring people together.”

The Staying Connected Project Volunteer



Leighton Boyd, Director

Our 3rd Annual MarionLIFE Hunger Walk was held on 2 November 2019. We had a fantastic time with 118 people joining us for the 4km walk along the Sturt River to raise awareness about those experiencing hunger and raise money to support MarionLIFE’s work supporting individuals and families in need. You helped us raise enough to cover the cost of 60 overnight food packs for people seeking Emergency Relief in a time of crisis – thank you!

Thank you to our event supporters: Tonsley Village, Drummer Marketing, Miss Sunday Event Stylist, SA Aquatic & Leisure Centre, Foodbank SA, Once & Again Café + B3 Coffee, Lions Club of Edwardstown, Uniting Care Wesley Bowden, City of Marion, Junction Australia, Good Gear, MC DJ Ragz, Brady Sutherland Photography, University of South Australia students and Lou Lou’s Face Painting.

Thank you to our special guests: SA Government Minister David Speirs, SA Government Assistant Minister and Elder

MP Carolyn Power, City of Marion Deputy Mayor Matthew Shilling and City of Marion Warriparinga Ward Councillor Raelene Telfer.

Event feedback:

100% felt more connected to their community as a result of the event

93% increased awareness of hunger in Marion area

“Wonderful and well-organised.”

“A good way to be involved and connected to MarionLIFE.”

“Love the gathering of community because hunger is everyone’s problem to solve.”

Thank you for your support to fight hunger!

Tax Help

Ed Jackson, Tax Help Volunteer

Each year from late-July through to late-October MarionLIFE offers Tax Help. We had around 10 appointments per week in 2020. This service provides support for people to have tax completed for free. The Australian Tax Office supplies training and resources for our organisation.



Australian Refugee Association Connection

Lauren Bonnet, Services Coordinator

Over the past year we have had the pleasure of hosting and working alongside the Australian Refugee Association (ARA), to support those who have arrived as humanitarian entrants and settled in our wider neighbourhood, especially from Arabic and Spanish speaking backgrounds. ARA case workers do an incredible job providing settlement support, and we work together to support people to become involved in the wider community in ways that are meaningful to them. One way we do this is through our newly formed group

Women Together, through volunteer opportunities within our centre, and invitations to be part of other groups or programs both at MarionLIFE and in the wider community. In the past few years we have seen a significant increase in the number of participants at MarionLIFE who come from diverse backgrounds, and it is a joy to include them and have them help shape our centre and bring another layer of richness to our neighbourhood.

Women Together

Lauren Bonnet, Services Coordinator

Women Together is a new group for MarionLIFE, started in late 2019, and facilitated jointly with the Australian Refugee Association. This group is for women from across language groups, cultural backgrounds, ages and personalities! Many experience isolation, due to barriers which can take a long time to break through and can feel insurmountable at times, but together this group supports, encourages and uplifts one another.

The group is led by each participant, taking turns to share some part of their culture or their skills and interest areas with others- cooking, sewing and decorating to name a few. Together the group builds up one another's confidence, develops friendships and has a lot of fun doing so! Women from across our community are welcome to this friendly group. There is a focus on supporting English language development through casual conversation, so please feel free to come meet new people, have a chat and help with language practise too!



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“My English and communication skills have improved a lot. Meeting good people there. Knowing about other culture is also very interesting.”

Women Together Participant

University Students Placements

MarionLIFE has benefited greatly from hosting four wonderful Masters of Social Work students on placement this past year. Students, Yasmine and Ishpreet, used their skills and passions to support us with conducting a Community Needs Analysis of our centre and the wider community in 2019.

Thao and Donna were invaluable to our centre staying operational throughout COVID-19, especially supporting our Emergency Relief Service and The Staying Connected Project. We sincerely thank them for their work and wish them all the very best with whatever the future holds for them in their future social work careers!

MarionLIFE Youth

Tristan Prentice, MarionLIFE Youth Facilitator

MarionLIFE Youth has continued its two main strands this year, with an adaption of our delivery method across Term 2 and Term 3 of 2020 due to COVID-19. Our youth drop-in space for 10-17 years continues to run with success providing for the needs of local youth Friday afternoons. During Term 2 we managed to run our drop-in space online which was accessed by youth via Zoom with online cooking a highlight for the term. Our new look "Youth Events" service ran in local schools and at local youth communities like the Marion Outdoor Pool and were able to recommence in Term 1 2020 and ran through until COVID-19 put on hold our ability to run sessions in person.

Through the support of the Carthew Foundation, City of Marion Youth Development and Morialta Trust Grants we were able to continue running both projects over the past year. Our workshops for each term have been themed as we covered what it means to have simple, safe and secure spaces,

dealing with change, being creative at home when you can't leave the house and recovery by being in community together again. We are so thankful for the youth attending the centre, a number of new volunteers that have joined the team and having a bus service to be able to pick up youth to bring to youth centre. We are also thankful for the number of schools that welcomed us to run activities for their students.

We are thankful for the workshop providers including some young people that have shown what they've done with their talents which we hope inspire the youth that come and spend time with us each week. We continue to be a meeting point for local youth and are proud to connect with local schools to support youth who need respite. We are excited about the future of the drop in service, our events sessions as well as looking at other ways MarionLIFE Youth can impact the youth and families in our community.





Emergency Relief

Lauren Bonnet, Services Coordinator

The past year for Emergency Relief has seen many changes, and it is huge credit to our incredible volunteer team who have navigated a very busy service prior to COVID-19 and a very changed and rapidly adapting service throughout the months of COVID-19. Prior to March 2020, our service was very busy with demand often exceeding our capacity. Our holistic approach to Emergency Relief, with a focus on information sharing and resourcing to support people to address underlying stressors and challenges, alongside food and other material needs, supported over 3,500 people in our community across the year.

Throughout COVID-19 we adapted on a weekly basis, and for a period of time our service was by phone or through our centre's side window for those without a phone. We would like to especially highlight the dedicated and empathetic work of two volunteers, Gail and Elsie, who supported our community throughout this period. We have seen an increase in new groups seeking support, including

international students and families on other temporary visas, and those who have lost work and are now having to manage new support systems they have never accessed before.

All of our volunteer Emergency Relief team do an amazing job supporting and empowering people in our community to get through some incredible challenges, including homelessness, domestic violence, financial & food insecurity and mental & physical health issues – and we are so grateful to them for their work! We are privileged to work in collaboration with many different organisations across various support areas, including services for new arrivals, homelessness, domestic violence, housing, mental health, counselling, and we especially thank UnitingCare Wesley Bowden who support our service with Financial Counselling onsite each week. Throughout the past year we have been overwhelmed by the generosity of the wider community who have donated food, hygiene, blankets and financial assistance to our service, we are deeply grateful to you.



After becoming very ill a number of years ago, a client says MarionLIFE's food support "saved my life", because she was not able to walk long distances or carry heavy loads. She sees the bus (to Foodbank) as an important service, especially for those who are older or have health conditions, because it takes people straight to their door with their groceries, which alleviates a lot of anxiety and means she can buy enough.

MarionLIFE Emergency Relief Client

Budget and Financial Counselling

Dennis Murton, Budget Counsellor

This year I have continued to offer Budget Counselling on Monday mornings. Since March this year I have taken a break because of the coronavirus, and as a result of this have seen fewer clients than normal. I had been averaging appointments each Monday.

I have negotiated payment plans for electricity and gas, have helped with applications for concessions, helped with Centrelink issues, and completed dental waivers for SA Dental Service clients who could not afford the co-payment.

Amanda from UnitingCare Wesley Bowden has continued to offer Financial counselling on Tuesdays, and many have benefitted from doing the seven-week Confident Budgeting Course.

As JobSeeker and JobKeeper payments reduce, we expect that there will be an increased demand for Budget and Financial Counselling.

Big Dish Up

Rebecca Wu, Big Dish Up Facilitator



MarionLIFE's Big Dish Up has served in the past both as a valuable skills program and as a meeting point for disengaged or vulnerable members of the community to connect, over a shared meal of their own making. The year 2020 has seen some significant changes to this structure.

Not only were there changes within the outcomes required, but also in the enrolment process as upfront Literacy & Numeracy Assessments are now required. It has been challenging implementing these changes however we have been fortunate in having two wonderful volunteers - Romi and Indra - as well as further assistance from our admin assistant Judith, approaching these positively. Many of our former participants attend again and we had 12 participants at our most recent course.

Having former attendees return is always a highlight for me as everyone has the chance to reconnect; additionally as I am already aware of their basic skills I can draw on these strengths whilst extending them. One of our former attendees who has returned for their second round has in the meantime undertaken additional study of a Certificate IV in Aged Care; it is refreshing to hear about people progressing further in their lives, sharing their knowledge and experience with everyone else in the group.

We will always strive to maintain the Big Dish Up as a safe place to connect, learn, eat and, most of all, enjoy each other's company.

Brekky For Blokes

James Gray, Brekky for Blokes Team Leader

2019 finished and 2020 started well with increased numbers to start the year. After only a few Brekkys COVID-19 arrived and with the subsequent precautions we needed to suspend for a time. I have been fortunate to have been able to keep in touch with the volunteers who faithfully serve at each brekky during this time. We have now resumed Brekky for Blokes and when I look into the pavilion and see and hear the old faces back with a great number of new faces I am greatly appreciative of serving the community as we do.



Community and Wellbeing Support

Elaine Murton, Community and Wellbeing Support Team Leader

Clients come for support with any issues that occur in their life. These issues can be such things as family discord, ill health, grief, moving to a new house or needing shelter, suspected child abuse, parenting, relationships. Sometimes issues like financial problems can be referred on to our Budget Counsellor, or referrals for housing or health interventions such as medical appointment. There seems to be many clients who need mental health resolution also with an appropriate referral. My experience here has pointed out to me that there is often a component of depression with most clients.

The purpose of this service is to enable clients to move forward in their lives by confronting their problems and working through them to emerge with a sense of achievement. Unfortunately, the clients are often overloaded with many other problems and they don't have enough energy to make all the changes necessary. My hope is that they can then continue on with feelings of positivity and with strength to deal with other issues so that they become more capable with their day by day life. I am thankful and grateful for the ability to help with these rewarding experiences

and this spurs me on to guide others make responsible life choices.

A fairly typical case to recount is about the last clients I saw before COVID-19 restriction came. This was a young couple trying to rebuild and revitalise their relationship. They were working through issues of transparency, conflict resolution and best avenues to address health concerns. They were both given tools for decision-making.

Elaine Murton. Health Counsellor and R.N.

A special THANK YOU to Elaine who finished up volunteering with MarionLIFE this year after 35 continuous years of service to the community. Elaine was part of the original MarionLIFE team when the centre started in 1985! What a wonderful legacy coming alongside people in need, thank you!

Community Meal

Ruth Pares, Community Meal Team Leader

This financial year started like any other, from July to March we offered Community Meal as normal. We met every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month for our two-course meal. The number of participants and volunteers has remained similar to previous years. In March, COVID-19 news started to appear, and we had to adapt. We offered our first ever Community Meal take away style. We only had a few participants come to collect a meal (no dessert this time). After that, we closed the kitchen for the first time in 10 years. It was an uncertain time for all, we did not know when we would be back. During the time away, the kitchen was renovated, and we now have a great dishwasher and some freezer space.

In June, when things started to settle a bit, we trialled another Community Meal take away. This time we improved it by having our front of house volunteers at the rear car park with participants, making sure that social distancing was always observed. We had a table for the meal and one for drinks and some bread to take home. It was great to say hi to some of our attendees and some new faces as well. Over 50 people participated in this experience. It was a bit odd but at the same time, it showed that even in adversity we can come together and celebrate a meal.

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"I feel there are a lot of lonely people in the community who enjoy meeting, and many have made lasting friendships."

Community Meal Participant



Marion Mugs

Trevor Hayley, Marion Mugs Team Leader

It has been another year of growth for Marion Mugs. This weekly Monday Morning event (except for Public Holidays) has grown to an average of 19 attendees per week. We do have our regulars, but do see new people from time to time, including carers, support workers and clients.

There is noise, chatting, engagement, smiles and of course coffee and food. It is wonderful to be able to take orders and deliver them to participants – table service! At the very centre of Marion Mugs, is the core values of welcome, friendliness and safety. It is this culture that informs and shapes the Group in such a beautiful way. For our participants, most of who live on their own, the group has become a haven of connection. We hear the stories and share the experiences of each other. It is encouraging to see how friendships have formed, and what other arrangements happen during the week - Side Gate Café is a bit of a favourite spot to connect.

We were honoured to win a SA Community Achievement Award, the Loneliness Cure Award, sponsored by Community Centres SA. We were not expecting to win, but it was a nice to hear our name called out, at the awards ceremony. What

was even better, was to be able to share with the group, they were State Winners, as they are the reason the award was won. We gave each person a personalised certificate at the end of year breakup, just to say how amazing each one of them is. Thanks to Kylie Ferguson, CEO of Community Centres SA who came and presented these certificates.

In November 2019, the Group enjoyed an outing to Wittunga Botanical Gardens. It was a beautiful day, with a wonderful walk, and yummy morning tea. The world changed in March 2020, and so things were needed to be put on hold, until we came back together in person from August 2020. During those strange months, it was wonderful to see MarionLIFE carry on the tradition of pancakes in the car park in May 2020. Participants have also appreciated The Stay Connected Project.

My thanks to the volunteers. Your willingness, your loyalty, and the amazing way you just 'get' what needs to happen is truly inspirational. The group is only as good as it is, because of what you, together with the participants, bring to it.



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“I used to stay at home and struggle to leave the house, but I enjoy and am able to come to Marion Mugs, and now the shops too.”

Marion Mugs Participant

“I have learnt that it’s okay to be myself.”

MarionLIFE
Youth Participant



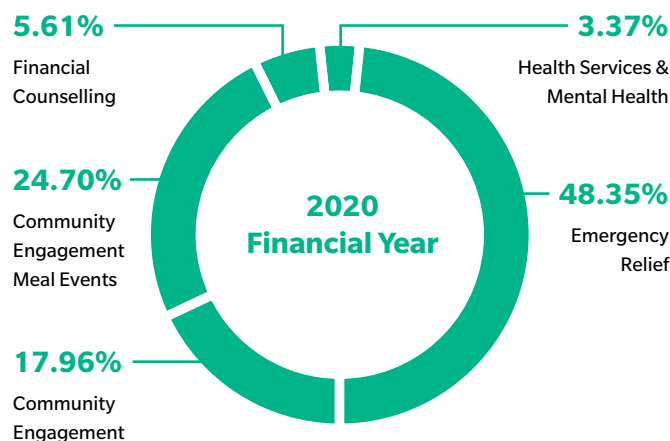
Finance Report

Steve Sherrah, Treasurer

The income of MarionLIFE is a combination of Gift Deductible Donations, and funding from both Private Trusts and Government Funding. This Income is then applied to the programs and running costs of the organisation to facilitate the positive outcomes in people's lives. The resources available to MarionLIFE are finite and are acquitted within program/grant guidelines and a budget. This has been an unusual year with COVID-19; programs have needed to adapt and change and we have welcomed the funding provided to continue to provide services to our community. We are thankful for the continued support from the differing levels of Government to provide Emergency Relief to our community and we wish to acknowledge and thank the Carthew

Foundation, Westpac Bank, Commonwealth Bank, Australia Post, StreetSmart Australia, Feed Appeal, churches, schools, community groups and individuals who donated to this service which enables us to meet the needs of our community. We welcome opportunities to discuss additional funding for our programs and note we are able to provide a tax-deductible receipt for funds received. Our Financial Statements were audited in the 2019/2020 Financial Year by Tony Boys, and will be available soon under MarionLIFE's page on www.acnc.gov.au. We thank the Morialta Trust, Marion Council, the State Government of South Australia and Federal Government of Australia for their continued support.

MarionLIFE Expenditure Chart



“MarionLIFE Youth makes me more hopeful about the future.”

MarionLIFE Youth Participant

“Thank you very much you all lifted my spirits to fight another day.”

MarionLIFE Emergency Relief Client

“It’s an honour to work with an organisation who is so passionate about assisting the community like MarionLIFE is.”

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