

Families Australia Inc.

Annual Report

2010-11



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Introduction

Families Australia is pleased to present its Annual Report for 2010-11. It comprises:

- information about Families Australia;
- a report by the Chairperson;
- information about the Board;
- a report by the Executive Officer;
- a listing of members as at 30 June 2011;
- a report on Families Australia's performance in relation to the goals contained in the Strategic and Business Plans; and
- the financial and auditor's reports.

It is hoped that this Report will assist readers to understand and evaluate Families Australia's work and will stimulate feedback about ways in which the organisation's work can further be improved.

About Families Australia

Established in 2001, Families Australia is a national independent, peak, not-for-profit organisation dedicated to promoting the needs and interests of families. Families Australia is funded in part by its members and in part by the Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Families Australia strives to represent the interests of families in Australia, working from a network of services, organisations, carers, consumers and communities, which takes in a rich diversity of families and communities.

Families Australia envisions a society that recognises the central role of families in our community and embraces its responsibilities for the development, nurturing and wellbeing of all families in Australia. Our motto is 'Think Families, Strengthen Families, Celebrate Families'.

Specifically, Families Australia:

- provides policy advice to the Australian Government on behalf of families and family-related member organisations;
- informs its members and the community about directions in national family policy, services and research; and
- promotes and celebrates the importance of families, including through National Families Week.

Families Australia has:

- a diverse membership base of 282 family and community sector organisations, including 28 General Members, many of which are peak organisations in their own right. As well as national bodies, Families Australia also represents many local and regional community service organisations such as child care centres and youth services;
- played a leading role as the secretariat for the Coalition of Organisations Committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of Australia's Children and in direct negotiations with the Australian Government on the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009-2020, which was announced by the Council of Australian Governments on 30 April 2009. The Framework is a first for Australia and has been a Families Australia policy objective since the organisation's inception. Families Australia will remain closely involved with the Framework implementation phases;

- raised national awareness of family issues, such as child abuse and neglect, work and family, grandparenting, family wellbeing and the impact of substance abuse on families, through direct representations to Parliamentary Committees, Ministers and other Members of Parliament;
- mobilised tens of thousands of people across Australia in May each year since 2003 to celebrate the vital importance of families during National Families Week;
- held three Families Australia National Orations since 2008;
- hosted or co-hosted national conferences such as the 2011 Mental health: 21st century challenges for Australian families', the 2008 Symposium on 'The art and science of cross-sectoral collaboration: meeting the needs of vulnerable families and children', and the 2007 'National family wellbeing symposium';
- assisted the Alliance for Forgotten Australians to establish itself as a national coalition of active organisations and individuals working together to promote the interests of adult survivors of abuse in childhood institutional or other out-of-home care in the last century;
- advanced the views of families and family sector organisations to a wide range of Australian Government agencies, such as the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and the Department of Human Services; and
- provided information to the public as well as family and community sector organisations about the latest developments in national family policy, practice and research through Families Australia's *Update*, *National Family News* and the Families Australia website (www.familiesaustralia.org.au).

The Families Australia Board comprises up to 13 members, who offer expertise in family policy, practice and research as well as extensive networks within the community, private and public sectors and society more broadly. The Families Australia secretariat is located in Canberra.

Key statements about Families Australia

Mission

To promote the wellbeing of all Australian families by working from a network of services, organisations, carers, consumers and communities and developing policy and research which is informed by the rich diversity of families and communities.

Values

Families Australia is:

- An independent advocate for the cultural diversity and the value of families
- Reflective of Australia's diversity
- Proactive in support of justice and equity for Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Broad and inclusive
- Practical, constructive and collaborative
- Highly strategic and targeted
- Politically astute
- Well managed and governed

Goals

Families Australia works to:

1. Improve national policies and programs relating to families
2. Promote the importance and needs of families to the broader community and national-level decision-makers
3. Act as a two-way conduit for information about national policies and programs information to and from Families Australia members, the family and community sector and the Australian Government
4. Further strengthen and expand itself as an organisation

Chairperson's report

In late 2011, Families Australia will mark its 10th anniversary of establishment. I believe that we can look back on that first decade with considerable satisfaction on a number of achievements that have substantially advanced the interests of families at the national policy level.

Some of the outstanding results include the high-profile work we have done in the area of protecting children which led, ultimately, to the development of the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009-2020. We can also take pride in our work for greater recognition and support for Forgotten Australians – a group of around 500,000 Australians who experienced institutional or other out-of-home care as children in the last century – especially through our role in assisting the Alliance for Forgotten Australians since 2007.

In addition, there has been a myriad of other, perhaps less well-known, achievements. Our advocacy in the lead-up to the 2007 Federal election directly resulted in additional, practical support for grandparent carers. Ongoing representation on Centrelink and Medicare advisory committees has influenced positively the way in which these organisations interact with families. Our work on the Carer Payment (child) review taskforce helped to pave the way for thousands of carers to receive more funding to assist children with a disability. Also, over the past nine successive years, National Families Week has enabled the participation of hundreds of thousands of Australians in thousands of community-level events, all aimed at celebrating the vital role of families.

2010-11, in particular, has proved to be another year of significant advances for Families Australia. We continued to focus much of our energy on working collaboratively with governments to implement the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children, principally through our facilitation and coordination of the Coalition of Organisations Committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of Australia's Children, a grouping of over 100 national NGOs and academics. The work of Families Australia and the NGO Coalition signified a strong wish to enhance working relationships with government in the areas of policy development and implementation.

We were pleased to commence work to highlight the needs of families impacted by mental health issues. Former Australian of the Year and Executive Director of Orygen Youth Health, Professor Patrick McGorry AO, delivered an inspiring address in Families Australia's 3rd

National Oration at Parliament House, Canberra, in May 2011. Families Australia is looking forward to deepening its understandings, networks and work in this field in coming years.

Family Australia continued to play a strong role in supporting the Alliance for Forgotten Australians. We helped to bring the voices of Forgotten Australians to the table especially in advancing the four national projects which followed the Apology to the Forgotten Australians in November 2009.

National Families Week, which was held in May 2011, was another important facet of our work, with around 113,000 people participating in local events around the country to celebrate the vital role of families. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive. National Families Week continues to be highly valued in the community and amongst NGOs in forging deeper connections with the community, families and children.

Families Australia has been able to achieve all these outcomes because of the support of its members, as well as the dedication of the Board and staff. The Board and staff work well together, using strategy, informed policies and operational impetus to continue to work towards the well-being of ALL Australian families. Without the support and commitment of the Board and staff to this common goal my work as Chairperson would be that much more difficult. In particular I wish to acknowledge and thank Sandie de Wolf, who as inaugural Chairperson for the first nine years of Families Australia's life set the tone and strategic direction of the organisation that has enabled it to have achieved such ambitious and important outcomes for Australian children and families. I would also like to thank Brian Babington, CEO of Families Australia, who brings our strategy to life with his team on a daily basis.

I also wish to acknowledge sincerely the support of the Hon. Jenny Macklin MP, Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon. Julie Collins MP, Parliamentary Secretary for Community Services, and our colleagues at the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

I commend the 2010-11 Families Australia Annual Report to you.



Prue Warrilow
Chairperson

Governance and Board

Families Australia Board Membership as at 30 June 2011

Name	Position	Nominating Organisation
Ms Prue Warrilow	Chair	Australian Community Children's Services (elected to Chair on 8/11/2010)
Ms Bev Orr OAM	Deputy Chair Public Officer	Australian Foster Care Association
Ms Anne McLeish OAM	Secretary	Grandparents Australia
Ms Sandie de Wolf AM	Member	Child and Family Welfare Association of Australia (resigned from Chair on 8/11/2011)
Dr Sue Packer AM	Member	NAPCAN
Ms Jacqui Reed	Member	CREATE Foundation
Mr Simon Schrapel	Member	UnitingCare Australia
Ms Maree Walk	Member	Child and Family Welfare Association of Australia
Ms Sharron Williams	Member	Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) (nominated 18/10/2010)
Mr Paul Rajan	Member	Co-opted
Dr Marie Leech	Member	Co-opted

Board Meetings 2010-11

Date	Meeting type	Location	Meeting number for the financial year
25-26 July 2010	Face-to-face	Alice Springs	No. 1 2010-11
6 September 2010	Teleconference Special Meeting		No. 2 2010-11
16 September 2010	Teleconference		No. 3 2010-11
8 November 2010	Face-to-face	Canberra	No. 4 2010-11
3 December 2010	Teleconference		No. 5 2010-11
17 February 2011	Teleconference		No. 6 2010-11
25 May 2011	Face-to-face	Canberra	No. 7 2010-11

Executive Officer's report

The past year saw Families Australia continue to work with considerable effect at the national level to advance the needs and interests of families, especially the most vulnerable and marginalised. Our two major policy priorities continued to be in the areas of protecting children and supporting the cause of adult survivors of childhood abuse. In addition, Families Australia started policy work in a relatively new field, that of the impacts on families of mental health issues.

Families Australia continued to spearhead national NGO efforts to implement the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009-2020 – Australia's first ever national plan to combat child abuse and neglect and to better support carers, including grandparent and kinship carers. In that vein, we continued to coordinate the Coalition of Organisations Committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of Australia's Children, a grouping of over 100 major NGOs which work to implement the National Framework.

We proudly continued our support for the Alliance for Forgotten Australians, a network of adult survivors of childhood institutionalisation in the last century, especially to advance important national projects designed to give greater recognition of the needs of this group of up to 500,000 Australians.

A particular highlight of the past year was the commencement of a major, new campaign in the area of mental health. In May 2011, former Australian of the Year, Professor Patrick McGorry AO, delivered Families Australia's 3rd National Oration at Parliament House, Canberra, which highlighted pressing needs in the area of mental health to a large audience which included many Federal MPs. On the day of the Oration, Families Australia ran a highly successful National Roundtable on Mental Health and Families in conjunction with Professor McGorry's organisation, Orygen Youth Health, which was also attended by many Federal politicians and key national NGO representatives.

Families Australia was also active across a wide range of other family-related policy fields. We were pleased to partner with Grandparents Australia to deliver a successful Kinship Carers conference with around 200 participants in October 2010, and our two organisations played a leading role in obtaining commitments in the 2010 Federal election from Prime Minister Gillard to support the establishment of support groups and the placement of Grandparent Liaison officers in selected Centrelink offices. Families Australia also continued

to be an active participant in a range of community consultation forums convened by agencies, such as the Department of Human Services and the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

National Families Week again provided a wonderful opportunity to highlight the vital role of families in Australian society. In May 2011, over 113,000 people participated in hundreds of National Families Week events across the nation. Thank you to all those who arranged and participated in events.

Financially, Families Australia ended the year in good shape. The organisation continues to be financially viable because of the ongoing support of the Australian Government as well as the Families Australia members – we are grateful to both. Our membership base remains diverse in terms of areas of activity and geography, and comment from our members continues to be very positive about our advocacy work and member services, especially in the area of information dissemination.

In the coming year, Families Australia will continue to play leadership roles in children's policy as well as grow its work in the field of mental health. We will also complete, with member and stakeholder input, a major project to consider Families Australia's directions in its second decade.

I wish to express appreciation to all our members and supporters for their continued support. We strongly welcome your views about how we can further enhance our work in order to benefit families.

I wish to thank most sincerely the Chair, Board and all my colleagues in the secretariat - Stella Conroy, Eris Harrison, Jennifer Horsfield and Fiona Langford. I would like to pay tribute to Sandie de Wolf AM, Chair of Families Australia from 2001 until November 2010. It has been a privilege to work closely with Sandie over the past six years. I have greatly appreciated her support, leadership and dedication.

Families Australia looks forward to continuing to press forward in its work of highlighting the needs and interest of families in all their diversity.



Brian Babington

Member organisations

As at 30 June 2011, there were 28 General and 282 Associate Members of Families Australia. They are listed below.

Foundation Members

Australian Foster Care Association (AFCA)
Child and Family Welfare Association of Australia (CAFWAA)
The Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC)

General Member Organisations

Adults Surviving Child Abuse
Australian Association of Social Workers
Australian Community Children's Services
Australian Council for Adoption Inc.
Australian Scholarships Group
Australian Youth Affairs Coalition
Barnardos
CREATE Foundation
Family Day Care Australia
Good Beginnings Australia
Grandparents Australia Inc.
Lifeline Australia Inc
Lone Fathers Association (Australia)
Mission Australia
NAPCAN Foundation
Parenting & Family Support Centre
Playgroup Australia Inc.
Relationships Australia National
The Benevolent Society
The Salvation Army Eastern Territory
The Smith Family
UnitingCare Australia
Volunteering Australia
WISE Employment
YMCA Australia

Associate Member Organisations

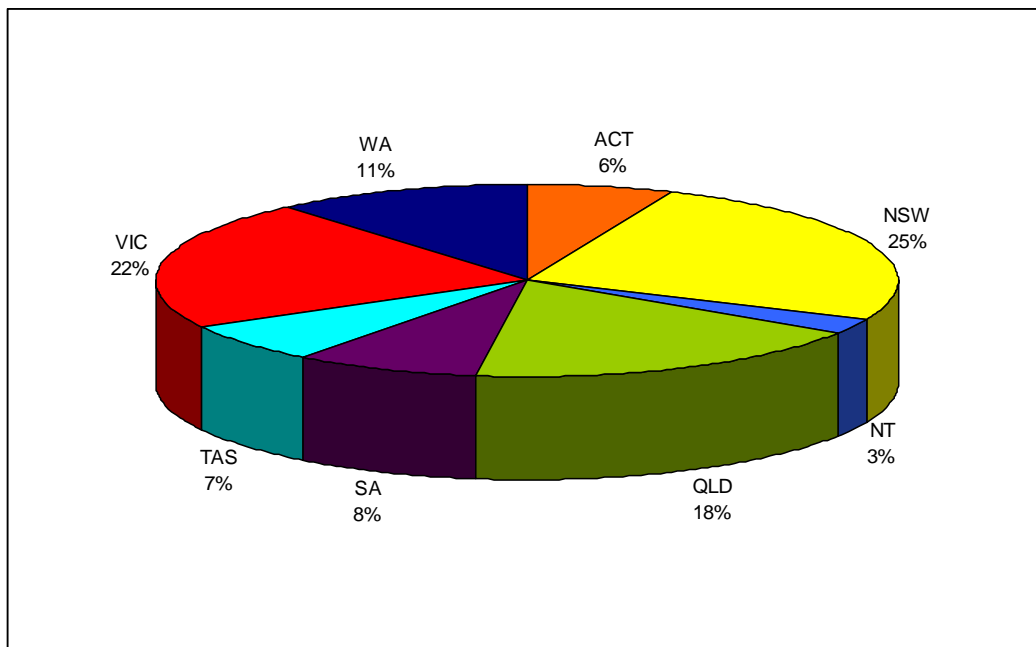
Aboriginal Family Support Services
ACT for Kids
Agencies for South West Accommodation (ASWA) Inc
Alice Springs Family Day Care
Alunga Childcare Centre
Anglican Counselling Service
Anglicare Diocese of Sydney
Anglicare South Australia
Anglicare Victoria
Anglicare WA
ASTERIA Services Inc.
Aunties & Uncles Co-operative Family Project Ltd.
Australian Family & Marriage Education (OZFAME)
Australian Family Association WA
Australian Institute of Family Studies
Australian Nursing Federation
Australian Vietnamese Women's Association
Ballarat Community Health Centre
Ballarat Family Relationship Centre
Bankstown Family Day Care Co-op Ltd
Banyule City Council
Barnawartha OSHC
Bayside City Council Children's Services Co-Ordinator
Belconnen Community Service
Bellambi Point Preschool
Berry Street
Bestchance Child Family Care
Betania Christian Centre
Bethany Community Support Inc
Blacktown Family Relationship Centre
Boonah & District Family Day Care
Bravehearts Inc.
Brisbane Youth Service
Building Blocks
Bundaberg Child & Family Centre
C & K Stn S.E. Qld Family Day Care
Ca.F.E Enfield Children's Centre
Cabonne Blayney Family Day Care
Caboolture Area Youth Service Inc
Camcare
Camden Council
Campbelltown Family Relationships Centre
Canberra Men's Centre
Cape/Gulf Remote Area Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Care Advisory Association
Carers Australia
Centacare Adelaide
Centacare Central Coast
Centacare Tasmania
Central Coast Family Support Service
Central Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Child Care Agency Inc
Centre for Community Child Health, MCRI
Centre for Excellence in Child and Family Welfare
Cerebral Palsy Support Network
Child and Family Services Ballarat
Child and Family Services Wyong Shire
Child and Family Welfare Directorate
Child Australia
Child Care NSW
Children with Disability Australia
Children's Protection Society
Children's Services Support Unit (Western Australia) Inc
Chrysalis Support Services
Churches of Christ Care
City of Kingston
CLAN WA
Clarence Outside School Hours Care
Colony 47
Communicare Inc
Community Activities Lake Macquarie
Community Living Association
Community Programs Inc
Community Vision
Connect Child & Family Services Inc
Connections UnitingCare
CRC
Cronulla Preschool
Darwin Skills Development Scheme
Doncaster Community Care and Counselling Centre
Drummond Street Relationship Centre
Early Childhood Management Services
Early Intervention Family Services
Eltham East OSHC
ESCARE Inc
FAB Program - Wesley Mission
FaHCSIA - South Australia State Office
Families at Work
Family Advocacy Inc
Family Based Care Association North West Inc
Family Day Care Association Queensland
Family Relationship Centre
Family Services City of Greater Geelong
FamilyCare
Fleurieu Families - Alexandrina Council
Fleurieu Regional Community Services
Advisory Committee
Fremantle Multicultural Centre
George St Neighbourhood Centre
Geraldton Family and Youth Support Service
Glastonbury Community Services
Glenhaven Family Care Inc
Glenorchy Action Interagency Network
Goldbridge Rehabilitation Services Inc.
Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service
Goulburn Family Support Service
Gowrie NSW

Grandparents for Grandchildren
Hanover Welfare Services
Hawkesbury Family Day Care
Holroyd City Council
Homestart National Inc
Huon Valley Children's Services
Inala Youth Service
Integrated Family & Youth Service Inc
Intereach NSW Inc
John Paul Centre for Family and Life
Joondalup Early Learning Centre
Kambah Child Care and Education Centre
Kentish Family Day Care
Kids Under Cover
Kildonan UnitingCare
KU Children's Services Resource Centre
Kyabram Community and Learning Centre
Lady Gowrie Caboolture Family Day Care Scheme
Lady Gowrie Tasmania
Learning Centre Link
Lifeline Cairns Region
Li'l Tackers
Lisa Lodge
Lismore District Family Day Care Inc
Longreach & Districts Childcare & Family Support Service
Lower Mountains Family Support Service
Lutheran Community Care
Mackay Children's Support Programs Inc
MacKillop Family Services
Mareeba Information and Support Centre
Marian Centre
Maroochy Neighbourhood Centre, Family Support Program
Martin Street Community Child Care Centre
Marymead Child & Family Centre
Meerilinga Young Children's Foundation
Melbourne Citymission
Men's Advisory Network
Mensheds Pty Ltd
MercyCare
Micah Projects Inc
Miller Pathways
Mirabel Foundation Inc
Miriam High Special Needs Centre
Mission Australia
Monaro Family Support Service
Mookai Rosie
Mount Gambier Children's Centre
Nai-Beguta Agama Corporation
Nambour Good Beginnings
Narrabri & District Community Aid Service
Nerang Neighbourhood Centre Inc
Newcastle Family Support Services
Noah's Ark
North Gold Coast Early Years Centre
North Queensland Combined Womens Services Inc
Northern Suburbs Community Centre

Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission
Nowra Family Relationship Centre
NSW Family Services
NuSkills Learning and Development
Oz Child
Paddington Children's Centre
ParentLine
Parkerville Children & Youth Care
Peninsula Community Legal Centre
People with Disability Australia
Pine Rivers Neighbourhood Association Inc
Playgroup WA Inc
Positive Solutions
Possum Place Child Care Centre
QLD Childcare Services
QLD Working Women's Service Inc.
Quantum Support Services
Queen Elizabeth II Family Centre
Queensland Children's Activities Network (QCAN) Inc
Ranges Youth Centre
Riverlinks Child Care Centre
Roberta Jull Family Day Care Scheme
Rosebery Community House
SA Career Consultants
Salvation Army Counselling Service
Samaritans Foundation
Sandy Bay Child Care Centre
Save the Children Australia - Queensland Division
School of Arts and Social Sciences
SDN Children's Services Inc
SHINE for Kids
Siblings Australia
SIDS and Kids WA
Smith St Child Care Centre
Somerville Community Service
South East Region Migrant Resource Centre
Southern General Practice Network
Southside Community Services Inc
Spectrum Migrant Resource Centre
Spiritus Care Services
Spiritus Tracc Strengthening Families Service
St Luke's Anglicare
Starick Services Inc
Sydney Children's Hospital
Tamworth Family Support Service
Tandem
Tangentyre Council
Tascare Society for Children
Tasmanian Early Years Foundation
The Hills Community Aid & Information Service
The Hills Shire Council
The Infants Home Child & Family Services
The Salvation Army Community Services
The Salvation Army Crossroads West
The Salvation Army Southern Territory
Toowoomba Youthservice
Top Ryde Early Learning

Travellers Aid Australia
 Trinity Family Support Network
 Uniting Care Wesley
 Uniting Care Wesley Adelaide - Homelink SA
 UnitingCare Wesley Port Pirie
 University of Newcastle, School of Health Sciences
 VACRO
 Wagga Wagga Family Relationship Centre
 Wanslea Family Services
 Warlga Ngurra Women's and Childrens Refuge
 Warrawong Children's House
 Warwick Farm Children's Centre
 Western Australian Association of Toy Libraries
 Whyalla Counselling Service
 Wide Bay Volunteers
 Woden Community Service Inc
 Wollondilly Shire Community and Children's Services
 Women's Centre for Health Matters Inc
 Women's Health Works
 Wyndarra Centre Inc
 Wynnum Family Day Care
 Wyong Neighbourhood Centre Inc
 Yaandina Family Centre Inc
 YMCA of Ararat
 YMCA of Ballarat
 YMCA of Bendigo
 YMCA of Brisbane
 YMCA of Broken Hill

YMCA of Bundaberg
 YMCA of Cairns
 YMCA of Canberra
 YMCA of Central Australia
 YMCA of City of Lake Macquarie
 YMCA of Darwin
 YMCA of Eastern Goldfields
 YMCA of Echuca
 YMCA of Gayndah
 YMCA of Geelong
 YMCA of Great Lakes
 YMCA of Hobart
 YMCA of Inner North East of Adelaide
 YMCA of Katherine
 YMCA of Launceston
 YMCA of Manningham
 YMCA of Perth
 YMCA of Port Augusta
 YMCA of Port Pirie
 YMCA of Portland
 YMCA of Queanbeyan
 YMCA of South Australia
 YMCA of Stanthorpe
 YMCA of Sydney
 YMCA of Victoria
 YMCA of Wangaratta
 YMCA of Whittlesea
 Yorganop Association Inc
 Your Defence
 Youth Involvement Council
 Youth off the Streets Ltd.
 YWCA NSW



Families Australia
 Membership by State/Territory as at 30 June 2011

Goals and performance

Families Australia's Strategic Plan (2010-13) contains four principal goals:

1. Improving national policies and programs relating to families.
2. Promoting the importance and needs of families to the broader community and national-level decision-makers.
3. Acting as a two-way conduit for information about national policies and programs information to and from the Families Australia membership and the family and community sector and Government.
4. Further strengthening and expanding Families Australia as an organisation.

Families Australia's 2010-11 Business Plan lists key activities which are to be undertaken to achieve these goals. The following report provides information on Families Australia's performance in relation to the four goals.

1. Improving national policies and programs relating to families

Planned key activities

- Provide strategic policy advice to Government Ministers and officials, MPs and Government agencies on a range of family policy issues.
- Act as the secretariat to the Coalition of Organisations Committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of Australia's Children ('NGO Coalition').
- Hold the 3rd National Families Australia Oration.
- Advance the needs and interests of the Alliance for Forgotten Australians (AFA).
- Commence a Families Australia 'Future Directions' project.
- Co-convene (with Grandparents Australia) a national Grandparent and Other Kinship Carer Conference in Melbourne.

Performance in relation to planned key activities

Highlighting areas of family need

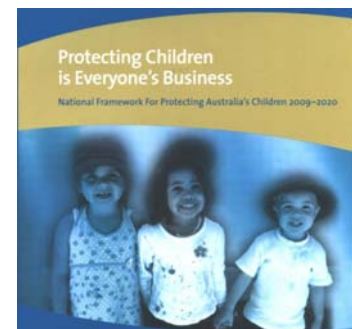
- In concert with Grandparents Australia, Families Australia achieved its aim of obtaining a commitment in the August 2010 Federal election from the Australian Government to support two key grandparent carer policy proposals, namely, establishment of support groups and placement of Grandparent Liaison officers in selected Centrelink offices.

Families Australia also worked with Grandparents Australia to deliver a successful conference in Melbourne on kinship care with around 200 participants (October 2010).

- Families Australia played a strong role in advocating for a National Children's Commissioner. We provided a major submission and appeared before the Senate Constitutional and Legal Affairs Committee (April 2011) regarding the proposal for a Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People.
- Families Australia continued to participate actively in a wide range of Australian Government consultative forums. These included: the Department of Human Services Families Consultative Forum; the Medicare Consumer Consultative Group; the technical advisory group to the Australian Government/Australian Institute of Family Studies about services for those affected by past or forced adoption practices; FaHCSIA consultations on the new Family Support Program; and the FaHCSIA 'Time Scarcity' Reference Group.

Advancing national policy to tackle child abuse

- In 2010-11, Families Australia continued to play a major role on the implementation of the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009-2020 by providing coordination, leadership and secretariat services to the 106-member Coalition of Organisations Committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of Australia's Children (NGO Coalition).
- Families Australia's activities included arranging and chairing major meetings between the NGO Coalition and the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon. Jenny Macklin MP, and the Parliamentary Secretary for Community Services, the Hon. Julie Collins MP, to discuss the National Framework.
- We also managed and coordinated the NGO Coalition's participation in a high-level meeting between NGO Coalition representatives and Community and Disability Services Ministers' Conference (CDSMC) Ministers in December 2010.
- Families Australia assisted the Australian Government to advance planning for the National Children and Family Roundtable, and arranged, managed and participated in National Framework working groups and coordinated NGO Coalition representation.
- Families Australia participated in meetings of Commonwealth, State/Territory and NGO Coalition Working Groups on: national out-of-home care standards; transitioning to independence; filling the research gaps; Closing the Gap; performance and data; and the



Common Assessment, Referral and Support (CAARS) Taskforce. Families Australia, as the NGO Coalition secretariat, also participated in National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children Implementation Working Group meetings.

- We continued to ensure that the NGO Coalition and other stakeholders were informed about progress with the National Framework, including through e-bulletins, speeches and articles. Families Australia conducted NGO Coalition member forums in Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne, Perth, Adelaide and Brisbane regarding National Framework and the proposed National Children and Family Roundtable.

Focusing on mental health and families

- In 2011, Families Australia embarked on a major campaign to highlight the needs of families affected by mental health issues. As a first step, Families Australia and Orygen Youth Health co-convened a national roundtable on 'Mental Health: 21st century challenges for Australian families' at Old Parliament House, Canberra, on 24 May 2011. The gathering was attended by around 70 national leaders from the non-government, government and research sectors. The major political parties were represented by Senator Claire Moore (ALP), Senator Concetta Fierravanti-Wells (Liberal) and Senator Rachel Siewert (Greens). The roundtable was a lively and very productive gathering, bringing together leaders across a wide range of fields to highlight further the needs of families. It was the first significant national gathering after the May 2011 Federal Budget announcement of major additional funding for mental health.
- On 24 May 2011, Professor Patrick McGorry AO, former Australian of the Year, Executive Director, Orygen Youth Health Research Centre, and Professor of Youth Mental Health at the University of Melbourne, delivered the 3rd Families Australia National Oration at Parliament House, Canberra. Addressing an audience of around 150 people, including many political and community leaders, Professor McGorry spoke passionately about ongoing needs in the field of mental health in Australia. Families Australia and Orygen Youth Health will continue to work at the national level to highlight the needs of families in the context of mental health.



Advancing the cause of Forgotten Australians

- Families Australia continued to auspice AFA, a group drawn from the estimated 500,000 persons who were in institutional or out-of-home care in Australia during the 20th century and who were the subject of a 2004 Australian Senate report.

- Families Australia provided secretariat and advisory services to AFA, which resulted in a significant advance in the Forgotten Australians' cause.

- In particular, we continued our involvement in consultative processes around the four national projects, progressed an educational DVD about Forgotten Australians, provided input to a National Museum schools curriculum package, and began a Social Work curriculum project.



- Other activities in support of AFA included: delivering talks to National Museum staff and at the Australian College for Child and Family Protection Practitioners Conference; promoting Forget-me-knot Day; assisting with the Commemoration of the Forgotten Australians Apology ceremony at Parliament House, Canberra (November 2010); attending the unveiling of the Victorian and WA Memorials to Forgotten Australians; and convened AFA meetings.

Planning Families Australia's second decade

- Families Australia commenced a broad-ranging discussion about the organisation's directions in its second decade. Consultations with Families Australia members and stakeholders will be held on proposed strategic directions in late 2011 and early 2012.

2. Promoting the importance and needs of families to the broader community and national-level decision-makers

Planned key activity

- Manage National Families Week in May 2011.

Performance in relation to planned key activity

- Families Australia successfully organised National Families Week 2011, achieving a participation rate of over 113,000 persons in 750 community-level events run by 600 organisations across the nation.
- National Families Week was launched by the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon. Jenny Macklin MP, at an event which also launched the 'teens' section of the Raising Children Network website at the State Library of Victoria on 17 May 2011.
- The theme for National Families Week 2011 was '*Sticking together: families in good and tough times*'. As in past years, Families Australia managed National Families Week on



behalf of the Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and with the support of Centrelink.

- Families Australia also directly participated in the National Families Week events organised by the Australian Red Cross and the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA).
- Feedback from organisations that participated in National Families Week was again strongly positive on all aspects of the Week's management and outcomes.

3. Acting as a two-way conduit for information about national policies and programs information to and from the Families Australia membership and the family and community sector and Government

Planned key activity

- Raise public awareness about family-related issues, principally through the website, media, speeches and publications.

Performance in relation to planned key activity

- Families Australia again worked to raise public awareness about family-related issues. It did this in a variety of ways, including through the Families Australia website, speeches about child protection, family issues and kinship care, and media coverage in relation to National Families Week and the National Oration
- In the past year, Families Australia introduced, and made numerous entries on its various social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter and You-tube.
- Families Australia and AFA publications were disseminated to an increased number of stakeholders, especially Federal politicians and community organisations.
- Families Australia issued *National Family News*, an e-bulletin (monthly) to members and other stakeholders and *Update*, a hard-copy newsletter (quarterly). All publications were available publicly on the Families Australia website.
- Opportunities were provided to Families Australia Members to showcase their services, through the Members' forums and policy teleconferences, as well as through the inclusion of information in *Update* and via emails to all Members. Forums were conducted with Families Australia members in Sydney, Adelaide, Perth, Brisbane, Melbourne and Canberra in April-May 2011.
- Significant media coverage was obtained in relation to National Families Week and mental health issues. Speeches on family and children's issues were delivered to a wide range of audiences, including to the Australian College for Child and Family Protection

Practitioners Conference (October 2010) and to the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) Members' Forum (November 2010).

4. Further strengthening and expanding Families Australia as an organisation

Planned key activities

- Intensify engagement with our membership.
- Maintain, and ideally increase, the number of Families Australia members.
- Further improve governance and management systems and ensure all contractual and other reporting obligations are met.

Performance in relation to planned key activities

- Governance and management oversight remained at the highest possible professional standard, through mechanisms such as detailed reports to every Board meeting on the organisation's performance in relation to the Board-approved annual business plan and budget targets, and the provision to the Board of a detailed annual risk analysis.
- The Families Australia Board provided ongoing feedback about performance to the secretariat via formal Board meetings and decided to establish a Corporate Governance Committee of the Board which will review and monitor governance matters, such as a risk framework for working with vulnerable persons, Board performance and succession planning.
- Families Australia obtained an unqualified external audit report in relation to the 2010-11 accounts. We provided the Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs with audited acquittals and other required progress reports on time for the contracts relating to National Families Week, AFA, the National Secretariat Program and the NGO Coalition secretariat.
- A consistent level of membership was maintained compared with the previous year, mainly as a result of membership promotion through National Families Week.
- The Families Australia Reconciliation Action Plan was highly advanced, and is expected to be finalised by late 2011.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 30 JUNE 2011

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COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Your committee members submit the financial report of the Families Australia Incorporated for the financial year ended 30 June 2011.

Committee Members:

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Prue Warrilow (Chairperson)	Sandie de Wolf AM
Bev Orr OAM (Deputy Chair)	Jacqui Reed
Anne McLeish OAM (Secretary)	Sue Packer [Elected 6/10/2010]
Marie Leech	Maree Walk [Elected 6/10/2010]
Paul Rajan	Roderick Wright [Resigned 18/10/2010]
Simon Schrapel	Tony Stevenson [Resigned November 2010]
Sharron Williams [Nominated 18/10/2010]	Jennie Hannan [Resigned 6/10/2010]
	Mark Brooke [Resigned 6/10/2010]

Objectives

Short Term Objectives

Families Australia will work to:

- Improve national policies and programs relating to families. In particular, we will:
 - emphasise the wellbeing of families in all their diversity
 - promote the safety and wellbeing of children and young people and support for their carers
 - assist adult survivors of institutionalisation to gain greater recognition and support
 - highlight the needs of families facing mental health challenges
 - continue to advocate for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander family issues
 - give special emphasis to, and amplify, other important cross-cutting issues of disability, ageing and workforce participation.
- Promote the importance and needs of families to the broader community and national-level decision-makers, particularly through National Families Week.
- Act as a two-way conduit for information about national policies and programs to and from families, Families Australia members and Government.
- Build its organisational capacity to influence national policies.

Long Term Objectives

To promote the wellbeing of all Australian families by working from a network of services, organisations, carers, consumers and communities and developing policy and research which is informed by the rich diversity of families and communities.

Strategy for Achieving the Objectives

To achieve these goals, in the three years from 2010 to 2013, Families Australia will seek to: further build its policy base; intensify collaboration with its members; enhance its engagement with the public and its strategic relationships; and expand our income and organisational capacity.

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COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the period were to represent the interest of families in Australia.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.



Prue Warrilow

Dated this 17th day of November 2011



Anne McLeish OAM

Dated this 17th day of November 2011

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
Revenue	2	781,911	627,165
Administration Costs		(115,147)	(121,094)
Conference and seminar costs		(38,641)	(3,348)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	3	(4,960)	(6,346)
Employee benefits expense		(409,879)	(301,888)
Finance costs	3		(3,804)
Rent		(32,263)	(28,185)
Publication costs		(142,436)	(75,809)
Other expenses		(46,298)	(62,753)
Surplus before income tax		(7,683)	23,938
Income tax expense		-	-
Surplus attributable to members of the entity		(7,683)	23,938
 Other comprehensive income			
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation of financial assets		-	-
 Total comprehensive income		(7,683)	23,938
 Total comprehensive income attributable to members		(7,683)	23,938

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	585,732	425,055
Trade and other receivables	7	5,172	1,194
Other current assets	8	15,939	22,711
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		606,843	448,960
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	9	16,452	21,412
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		16,452	21,412
TOTAL ASSETS		623,295	470,372
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	10	446,473	286,698
Borrowings	11	5,012	4,488
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		451,485	291,186
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	10	19,286	14,602
Borrowings	11	12,988	17,365
TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		32,274	31,967
TOTAL LIABILITIES		483,759	323,153
NET ASSETS		139,536	147,219
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		139,536	147,219
TOTAL EQUITY		139,536	147,219

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Retained Earnings	Financial Assets Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2009	123,281	-	123,281
Surplus attributable to equity shareholders	23,938	-	23,938
Revaluation Increment	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2010	147,219	-	147,219
Balance at 1 June 2011	147,219	-	147,219
Surplus attributable to equity shareholders	(7,683)	-	(7,683)
Revaluation increment / (decrement)	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2011	139,536	-	139,536

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Receipts from customers and operating grants		1,022,426	623,363
Payment to suppliers and employees		(825,705)	(1,091,751)
Interest received		11,939	14,922
GST Recovered/(Paid)		(44,130)	(51,050)
Net cash provided by operating activities	16	164,530	(504,516)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from sale of other non current assets		-	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	(23,658)
Net cash used in investing activities		-	(23,658)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds/ (Repayments) from borrowings		(3,853)	9,099
Net cash used in financing activities		(3,853)	9,099
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		160,677	(519,075)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		425,055	944,130
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	6	585,732	425,055

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report covers Families Australia Incorporated as an individual entity. Families Australia Incorporated is an association incorporated in the Australian Capital Territory under the *Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991*.

Basis of Preparation

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations and the *Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991* of the Australian Capital Territory.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in a financial report containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions to which they apply. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are presented below and have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

a. Income Tax

No provision for income Tax has been raised, as the association is exempt from income Tax under Division 50 of the income Tax assessment ACT 1997.

b. Property, Plant and Equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets' employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

The cost of fixed assets constructed within the association includes the cost of materials, direct labour, borrowing costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

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Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets, including buildings and capitalised lease assets, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate	Depreciation Basis
Office Equipment	20%	Straight Line
Computer Equipment	33%	Diminishing Value
Motor Vehicles	22.5%	Diminishing Value

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, at each balance date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are included in the income statement. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

c. Leases

Leases of fixed assets where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to the association are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amount equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives where it is likely that the association will obtain ownership of the asset or ownership over the term of the lease.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Lease incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

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d. Financial Instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the association commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss' in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Finance instruments are subsequently measured at either fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or cost. *Fair value* represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Amortised cost is calculated as: (i) the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition; (ii) less principal repayments; (iii) plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest method; and (iv) less any reduction for impairment.

The *effective interest method* is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in profit or loss.

The group does not designate any interests in subsidiaries, associates or joint venture entities as being subject to the requirements of accounting standards specifically applicable to financial instruments.

(i) *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets are classified at 'fair value through profit or loss' when they are held for trading for the purpose of short-term profit taking. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in profit or loss. The association has not held any financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in the current or comparative financial year.

(ii) *Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

(iii) *Held-to-maturity investments*

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable

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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

payments, and it is the association's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

The association has not held any held-to-maturity investments in the current or comparative financial year.

(iv) *Available-for-sale financial assets*

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not capable of being classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

(v) *Financial liabilities*

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Impairment

At each reporting date, the association assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual right to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are either discharged, cancelled or expire. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

e. Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the association reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the association estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

f. Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. These cash flows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cash flows.

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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

g. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at-call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet.

h. Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. Any consideration deferred is treated as the provision of finance and is discounted at a rate of interest that is generally accepted in the market for similar arrangements. The difference between the amount initially recognised and the amount ultimately received is interest revenue.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised at the point of delivery as this corresponds to the transfer of significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods and the cessation of all involvement in those goods.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which, for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Revenue from the provision of membership subscriptions is recognised on a straight-line basis over the financial year.

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

Government Grant income is recognised when the entity obtains control of the contribution or the right to receive the contribution. It is probable that the economic benefits comprising the contribution will flow to the entity and the amount of the contribution can be measured reliably.

i. Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

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

j. Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

k. Key Estimates

(i) Impairment

The association assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluation of conditions and events specific to the group that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using value-in-use calculations which incorporate various key assumptions.

l. Key Judgments

(i) Provision for impairment of receivables

The committee has received undertakings from the debtors that such unpaid amounts will be paid and therefore no provision for impairment has been made.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2: REVENUE

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Operating activities		
— Subsidies and Grant	708,569	567,271
— Member subscriptions	16,389	17,548
— Other Operating Revenue	45,014	27,424
— Interest received	11,939	14,922
	781,911	627,165

NOTE 3: PROFIT

Expenses

a.	Depreciation of non current assets:		
	- Computer Equipment	396	711
	- Motor Vehicles	4,401	5,151
	- Office Equipment	163	484
	Total depreciation	4,960	6,346

NOTE 4: AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

Auditing or reviewing financial reports	9,000	8,550
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NOTE 5: KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION

	Short-term Benefit	Post-employment Benefit	Total
	\$	\$	\$
2011			
Total compensation	156,866	12,353	169,219
2010			
Total compensation	140,300	-	140,300

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NOTE 6: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2011	2010
	\$	
Cash at bank	585,516	424,840
Cash on hand	216	215
	585,732	425,055

The effective interest rate on short-term bank deposits was 3.95% (2010: 3.35%).

Reconciliation of cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the balance sheet as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents	585,732	425,055
	585,732	425,055

NOTE 7: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

CURRENT

Trade debtors	5,172	1,194
Provision for doubtful debts	-	-
	5,172	1,194

Current trade receivables are non-interest bearing loans and are generally receivable within 30 days. A provision for impairment is recognised against subscriptions where there is objective evidence that an individual trade receivable is impaired. No impairment was required at 30 June 2011 (2010: Nil).

Credit Risk

The entity has no significant concentration of credit risk with respect to any single counterparty or group of counterparties other than those receivables specifically provided for and mentioned within Note 7. The main source of credit risk to the entity is considered to relate to the class of assets described as subscriptions receivable.

The following table details the entity's subscriptions receivable exposed to credit risk with ageing analysis and impairment provided for thereon. Amounts are considered as 'past due' when the debt has not been settled within the terms and conditions agreed between the association and the member or counterparty to the transaction. Receivables that are past due are assessed for impairment by ascertaining their willingness to pay and are provided for where there are specific circumstances indicating that the debt may not be fully repaid to the entity.

The balances of receivables that remain within initial terms (as detailed in the table) are considered to be of high credit quality.

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NOTE 7: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Gross amount \$	Past due and impaired \$	Past due but not impaired				Within initial trade terms \$
			Days (overdue)				
			< 30 \$	31–60 \$	61–90 \$	> 90 \$	
2011							
Trade & other receivables	5,172	-	-	-	-	-	5,172
Total	5,172	-	-	-	-	-	5,172
	Gross amount \$	Past due and impaired \$	Past due but not impaired				Within initial trade terms \$
			Days (overdue)				
			< 30 \$	31–60 \$	61–90 \$	> 90 \$	
2010							
Subscriptions receivable	935	-	55	55	-	825	-
Other receivables	259	-	-	-	-	259	-
Total	1,194	-	55	55	-	1,084	-

The entity does not hold any financial assets whose terms have been renegotiated, but which would otherwise be past due or impaired.

Collateral held as security

No collateral is held as security for any of the trade and other receivable balances.

NOTE 7: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
Financial assets classified as loans and receivables			
Trade and other receivables			
- Total current	17	5,172	1,194
		5,172	1,194

Collateral pledged

No collateral has been pledged for any of the trade and other receivable balances

NOTE 8: OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

Prepayments	8,720	12,960
Deposit Bond	6,284	6,284
Others	935	3,467
	15,939	22,711

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 9: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Computer Equipment		
At cost	8,932	8,932
Accumulated depreciation	(7,883)	(7,487)
	1,049	1,445
Motor Vehicles		
At cost	23,658	23,658
Accumulated depreciation	(8,499)	(4,098)
	15,159	19,560
Office equipment		
At cost	8,722	8,722
Accumulated depreciation	(8,478)	(8,315)
	244	407
Total Property, Plant and Equipment	16,452	21,412

Movements in carrying amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year

	Computer Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Office Equipment	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
2010				
Balance at the beginning of year	2,156	14,349	891	17,396
Additions	-	23,658	-	23,658
Disposals	-	(13,296)	-	(13,296)
Depreciation expense	(711)	(5,151)	(484)	(6,346)
Carrying amount at the end of year	1,445	19,560	407	21,412
2011				
Balance at the beginning of year	1,445	19,560	407	21,412
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Depreciation expense	(396)	(4,401)	(163)	(4,960)
Carrying amount at the end of year	1,049	15,159	244	16,452

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 10: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES	Note	2011	2010
		\$	\$
CURRENT			
Unsecured liabilities:			
Trade payables		-	-
Sundry accruals and payables	10a	46,473	53,698
Grant Funding in Advance		400,000	233,000
		<u>446,473</u>	<u>286,698</u>
NON CURRENT			
Unsecured liabilities:			
Sundry accruals and payables	10a	19,286	14,602
		<u>19,286</u>	<u>14,602</u>
10a Financial liabilities at amortised cost classified as trade and other payables			
Trade and other payables:			
- Total current		446,473	286,698
- Total non current		19,286	14,602
		<u>465,759</u>	<u>301,300</u>
Less: Grants received in advance		(400,000)	(233,000)
Less: Leave entitlements		(44,401)	(34,267)
Financial liabilities as trade and other payables		<u>21,358</u>	<u>34,033</u>
NOTE 11: FINANCIAL LIABILITIES			
CURRENT			
Lease liability	11a	5,012	4,488
NON CURRENT			
Lease liability	11a	12,988	17,365
11a Financial liabilities at amortised cost classified as borrowings	17	<u>18,000</u>	<u>21,853</u>

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NOTE 12: CAPITAL AND LEASING COMMITMENTS	Note	2011	2010
		\$	\$
12a. Finance Lease Commitments			
Payable — minimum lease payments			
— Not later than 12 months		6,981	6,981
— Between 12 months and 5 years		13,517	19,863
— Greater than 5 years		-	-
Minimum lease payments		<u>20,498</u>	<u>26,844</u>
Less future finance charges		<u>(2,498)</u>	<u>(4,991)</u>
Present value of minimum lease payments	11	<u>18,000</u>	<u>21,853</u>

The motor vehicle lease is a non-cancellable lease with a three-year term, with rent payable monthly in advance.

12b. Operating Lease Commitments

Non cancellable operating leases contracted for but not capitalised in the financial statements

Payable – minimum lease payments			
— Not later than 12 months		36,592	33,909
— Between 12 months and 5 years		9,232	42,386
— Greater than 5 years		-	-
		<u>45,824</u>	<u>76,295</u>

The property lease is a non cancellable lease with a two year term, with rent payable monthly in advance.

Contingent rental provisions within the lease agreement require that the minimum lease payments shall be increased by CPI and/or market rates per annum.

An option exists to renew the lease at the end of the two year term for an additional term of two years.

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NOTE 13: CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS

There are no known contingent liabilities at the date of this report that should be brought to account.

NOTE 14: EVENTS AFTER THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the period, which significantly affected or may affect the operations of the association, the results of those operations, or the stake of affairs of the association in future periods.

NOTE 15: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

The membership of Families Australia Incorporated includes directors from the founding members of the organisation. These members have prescribed membership fees that are paid in full for each financial year on normal commercial terms and conditions

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Related party transactions during the year amounted to:	0	1,440

NOTE 16: CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Profit from Ordinary Activities after Income Tax

Profit / (Loss) after income tax	(7,683)	23,938
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Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities:

Non-cash flows in profit

— Depreciation	4,960	6,346
— Loss on disposal of non current assets	-	356

Changes in assets and liabilities:

— (Increase)/decrease in trade and term debtors	(3,978)	11,120
— Net (gain)/ loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	-
— (Increase)/decrease in other current assets	6,772	(13,745)
— Increase/(decrease) in accruals and payables	(12,675)	(49,330)
— Increase/(decrease) in unearned income	167,000	(497,000)
— Increase/(decrease) in provisions	10,134	13,799
	164,530	(504,516)

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NOTE 17: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The group's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, local money market instruments, short-term investments, accounts receivable and payable, and leases.

The totals for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 139 as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows:

	Note	2011 \$	2010 \$
Financial assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	585,732	425,055
Loans and receivables	7	5,172	1,194
		590,904	426,249
Financial liabilities			
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:			
- trade and other payables	10a	21,358	34,033
- borrowings	11a	18,000	21,853
		39,358	55,886

Financial Risk Management

The association's treasurer is responsible for, among other issues, monitoring and managing financial risk exposures of the association. The treasurer monitors the association's transactions and reviews the effectiveness of controls relating to credit risk, financial risk, and interest rate risk. Discussions on monitoring and managing financial risk exposures are held bi-monthly and minuted by the committee of management.

The treasurer's overall risk management strategy seeks to ensure that the association meets its financial targets, while minimising potential adverse effects of cash flow shortfalls.

Specific Financial Risk Exposures and Management

The main risks the association is exposed to through its financial instruments are interest rate risk, liquidity risk, credit risk and equity price risk.

a. Interest rate risk

The association is not exposed to any significant interest rate risk since cash balances are maintained at variable rates and borrowings of the association are not considered significant.

b. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk arises from the possibility that the association might encounter difficulty in settling its debts or otherwise meeting its obligations related to financial liabilities. The association manages this risk through the following mechanisms:

- preparing forward-looking cash flow analysis in relation to its operational, investing and financing activities;
- only investing surplus cash with major financial institutions; and
- proactively monitoring the recovery of unpaid subscriptions.

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NOTE 17: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The tables below reflect an undiscounted contractual maturity analysis for financial liabilities.

Cash flows realised from financial assets reflect management's expectation as to the timing of realisation. Actual timing may therefore differ from that disclosed. The timing of cash flows presented in the table to settle finance leases reflect the earliest contractual settlement dates.

Financial liability and financial assets maturity analysis

	Within 1 Year		1 to 5 Years		Over 5 Years		Total	
	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial liabilities due for payment								
Trade and other payables (excluding est. annual leave and grants receivable in advance)	21,358	34,033	-	-	-	-	21,358	34,033
Finance lease liabilities	5,012	4,488	12,988	17,365	-	-	18,000	21,853
Total contractual outflows	26,370	38,521	12,988	17,365	-	-	39,358	55,886
Total expected outflows	26,370	38,521	12,988	17,365	-	-	39,358	55,886
Financial assets — cash flows realisable								
Cash and cash equivalents	585,732	425,055	-	-	-	-	585,732	425,055
Trade and other receivables	5,172	1,194	-	-	-	-	5,172	1,194
Available-for-sale investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total anticipated inflows	590,904	426,249	-	-	-	-	590,904	426,249
Net (outflow)/inflow on financial instruments	564,534	387,728	(12,988)	(17,365)	-	-	551,546	370,363

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NOTE 17: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial assets pledged as collateral

No financial assets have been pledged as security for any financial liability. Refer to Note 12 for further details.

c. Foreign exchange risk

The association is not exposed to fluctuations in foreign currencies.

d. Credit risk

Exposure to credit risk relating to financial assets arises from the potential non-performance by counterparties of contract obligations that could lead to a financial loss to the association.

Credit risk is managed through maintaining procedures ensuring, to the extent possible, that members and counterparties to transactions are of sound credit worthiness. Subscriptions are expected to be paid prior to the commencement of the subscription period. All subscriptions receivable are past due.

Risk is also minimised through investing surplus funds in financial institutions that maintain a high credit rating or in entities that the committee has otherwise cleared as being financially sound.

Credit risk exposures

The maximum exposure to credit risk by class of recognised financial assets at balance date is equivalent to the carrying value and classification of those financial assets (net of any provisions) as presented in the balance sheet. The association is also exposed to any deficiency in net assets of trusts to which it is trustee. Further details are contained in Note 13.

There is no collateral held by the association securing trade and other receivables.

The association has no significant concentration of credit risk with any single counterparty or group of counterparties. Details with respect to credit risk of trade and other receivables are provided in Note 7.

Trade and other receivables that are neither past due or impaired are considered to be of high credit quality. Aggregates of such amounts are as detailed at Note 7.

e. Price risk

Price risk relates to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices largely due to demand and supply factors for commodities.

The association is exposed to securities price risk on available-for-sale investments. Such risk is managed through diversification of investments across industries and geographic locations.

The association's investments are held in diversified management funds portfolios.

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NOTE 17: FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Net Fair Values

Fair value estimation

The fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities are presented in the following table and can be compared to their carrying values as presented in the balance sheet. Fair values are those amounts at which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm's length transaction. Areas of judgment and the assumptions used have been detailed below. Where possible, valuation information used to calculate fair value is extracted from the market, with more reliable information available from markets that are actively traded.

	Note	Footnote	2011		2010	
			Net Carrying Value	Net Fair Value	Net Carrying Value	Net Fair Value
			\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial assets						
Cash and cash equivalents		(i)	585,732	585,732	425,055	425,055
Trade and other receivables		(i)	5,172	5,172	1,194	1,194
Investments — available for sale		(ii)	-	-	-	-
Total financial assets			590,904	590,904	426,249	426,249
Financial liabilities						
Trade and other payables		(i)	21,358	21,358	34,033	34,033
Lease liability		(iii)	18,000	18,000	21,853	21,853
Total financial liabilities			39,358	39,358	55,886	55,886

The fair values disclosed in the above table have been determined based on the following methodologies:

- (i) Cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables and trade and other payables are short term instruments in nature whose carrying value is equivalent to fair value. Trade and other payables excludes amounts provided for relating to annual leave which is not considered a financial instrument.
- (ii) For listed available-for-sale financial assets, closing quoted bid prices at reporting date are used.
- (iii) These liabilities are fixed interest leases carried at amortised cost. Differences between carrying value and net fair value represent decreases in market interest rates.

Sensitivity analysis

The committee considers that the only material market risk arises in relation to holdings of available-for-sale investments.

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NOTE 18: ASSOCIATION DETAILS

Principal place of business is:

Families Australia Incorporated
Unit 3, 7 National Circuit
Barton ACT 2600

NOTE 19: ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The continuance of Families Australia Incorporated is dependant upon the supply of Government funding.

NOTE 20: SEGMENT REPORTING

The association operates predominantly in one business and geographical segment, being advocacy and provision of policy advice on behalf of the family sector throughout Australia.

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2010

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 25 to 48

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Families Australia Incorporated as at 30 June 2011 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Families Australia Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:



Prue Warrilow



Anne McLeish OAM

Dated this 17th day of November 2011

Dated this 17th day of November 2011

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**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO
THE MEMBERS OF FAMILIES AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED**

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Families Australia Incorporated (the association) which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2011 and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee.

Matters Relating to the Electronic Presentation of the Audited Financial Report

This auditors report relates to the financial report of Families Australia Incorporated for the year ended 30 June 2011 included on the association's website. The association's committee members are responsible for the integrity of the association's website. We have not been engaged to report on the integrity of the association's website. The auditors report refers only to the statements named above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information, which may have been hyperlinked to/from these statements.

If users of this report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from electronic data communications, they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the audited financial report to confirm the information included in the audited financial report presented on this website.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion:

The financial report of Families Australia Incorporated is in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991 including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2011 and of its performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Associations Incorporation Act (ACT) 1991

PKF – Di Bartolo Diamond & Mihailaros
Level 7, 28 University Avenue
Canberra City ACT 2601



Ross Di Bartolo

Partner

Dated: 17.11.2011.

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**COMPILATION REPORT TO
FAMILIES AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED**

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Families Australia Incorporated, which comprise the attached income and expenditure statement for the year ended 30 June 2011. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is to provide financial information to the committee of management.

The Responsibility of the Committee of Management

The committee of management is solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements and has determined that the basis of accounting adopted is appropriate to meet the needs of the committee of management for the purpose of complying with the association's constitution.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the committee of management we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting and APES 315: Compilation of Financial Information.

Our procedures use accounting expertise to collect, classify and summarise the financial information, which the directors provided, in compiling the financial statements. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

The special purpose financial statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the committee of management. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.

Level 7, 28 University Avenue
Canberra City ACT 2601



Ross Di Bartolo

Partner

Dated: 17.11.2011.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Interest	11,939	14,921
Membership subscriptions	16,389	17,548
Other operating revenue	45,014	27,425
Subsidies and grants	708,569	567,271
TOTAL INCOME	781,911	627,165
 LESS EXPENSES		
Administration costs	115,147	121,095
Advertising	130,833	61,952
Annual leave	5,450	3,888
Audit fees	11,140	8,550
Bank Charges	241	451
Cleaning	1,966	2,112
Conference and seminar costs	38,641	3,348
Depreciation	4,960	6,346
Electricity	1,172	1,149
Fringe Benefit Tax	2,586	2,039
Hire purchase charges	-	-
Insurance	5,638	5,758
Long Service Leave	4,684	9,911
Loss on disposal of non current assets	-	356
Magazines, journals and periodicals	3,666	6,984
Motor vehicles expenses	8,758	10,814
Office expenses	1,085	520
Operating expenses	1,491	1,532
Postage	17,448	16,692
Printing and stationery	7,936	6,873
Recruitment costs	315	288
Rent	32,262	28,185

**This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached
 compilation report of Families Australia Incorporated accounts**

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Repairs and maintenance	852	302
Salaries and wages	341,282	260,976
Staff training and welfare	2,708	2,790
Superannuation	27,396	24,323
Telephone	5,236	5,509
Travelling expenses	16,700	10,484
TOTAL EXPENSES	<hr/> 789,594	<hr/> 603,227
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR	<hr/> (7,683)	<hr/> 23,938

**This statement should be read in conjunction with the attached
compilation report of Families Australia Incorporated accounts**

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