



**IndianCare Fourth AGM Report, 2016 – 17**

**Presented at Annual General Meeting held on 3 December 2017**

## **President's Report (for the period of July 2016 – June 2017)**

In this fourth year, IndianCare has established itself as a significant Indian organisation in Victoria. It has firmly proven its ability to work collaboratively with other organisations, in order to achieve better welfare and community development outcomes for people of Indian origin in Victoria. IndianCare is a purely volunteer driven organisation and, despite its limited resources, has undertaken effective work this year.

Key activities and achievements during 2016 – 17:

- Co-design project with Alcohol and Drug Foundation (ADF) towards raising awareness in the Indian community about responsible alcohol consumption. The project will be rolled out over the next two years.
- A new collaboration with InTouch Multicultural Centre Against Family Violence towards the prevention of family violence in the Indian community
- Substantial partnership work on aged care –
  - Eastern Community Legal Centre (ECLC) - elder abuse prevention project
  - Ethnic Communities Council of Victoria (ECCV) – elder abuse prevention project (train the trainer model)
  - Australian Multicultural Community Service and Sant Nirankari Mission (SNM) – education session on 'My Aged Care'
  - Victoria University student placement – research into the aged care needs of Indian seniors living at home
- Field placement opportunities for Victoria University community development students. This year, we welcomed two students – Kamalpreet Kaur and Megha Whig. Kamalpreet undertook research into the settlement needs of Indian women and Megha undertook research into the aged care needs of Indian seniors living at home.
- Membership with CisVic (Community Information Services Victoria). This has been of much benefit to IndianCare. For example, three representatives from IndianCare undertook a CisVic training course on effective ways to provide information and refer other services to clients.
- Presentation at the HOTA (Hindu Organisations Temple Associations) forum. IndianCare was well received by the many Indian organisations belonging to the HOTA network.
- Obtaining two small grants - \$3,000 from the Victorian Multicultural Commission and \$2,000 Volunteer grant from the federal government Department of Social Services.
- One to one meetings with key decision makers - Minister for Multicultural Affairs, Honourable Robin Scott; Victorian Multicultural Commissioner, Mr Sundaram Sivamalai; and the Director of the then Office of Multicultural Affairs and Citizenship (now Office of Multicultural Affairs and Social Cohesion), Mr Hakan Akyol.

In summary, IndianCare is becoming recognised as a conduit between the mainstream service sector and the Indian community. There is still much work to do in raising the profile of IndianCare within the diverse Indian community, and this will be one of the main tasks for the upcoming year. While IndianCare has been successful in its partnership work, it has yet not been able to be set up as an information and referral service provider. This is due to insufficient resources, but it is hoped this can be achieved in the very near future.

I would like to thank a number of people and organisations for their support during the last year:

1. Elizabeth Drozd, CEO of AMCS, for her bountiful support. IndianCare also acknowledges the staff and Board members of AMCS
2. Megha Whig and Kamalpreet Kaur, VU students.
3. Annie Feith and Lisa Guifre, Field Placement Coordinators at VU
4. Commissioner Sundaram Sivamalai, Victorian Multicultural Commission
5. Federal Department of Social Services
6. Santisouk Phongsavan and Janelle Gibson, Alcohol and Drug Foundation
7. Nadine Hantke and Roshan Bhandary – InTouch Multicultural Centre against Family Violence
8. Eastern Community Legal Centre
9. Ethnic Communities Council of Victoria
10. Kate Wheller, Deborah Rosenberg and Anne-Marie Yung – CisVic
11. HOTA
12. Sant Nirankari Mission
13. A number of volunteers from the Indian community
14. Research participants
15. Indian Senior Citizen Clubs involved in the aged care projects

I would also like to thank one of our fellow committee members, Asha Padiseti, for her involvement on the Committee of Management until her resignation in March 2017. Asha hopes to return to the Committee next year and we would warmly welcome her back.

Finally, I thank my other fellow Committee members for their unstinting commitment to IndianCare, not only for the individual expertise that they bring to the team, but for also undertaking leg work when necessary. It has been an honour leading this team. Together, we look forward to making a bigger positive impact next year towards building a stronger and more inclusive society.



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## IndianCare Profit and Loss statement 01/07/2016 to 30/06/2017

<b>Income</b>	
Cash in bank (Bendigo Bank) brought forward	\$1,760.59
Interest	\$15.47
Victorian Multicultural Commission grant	\$3,000.00
Department of Social Services grant	\$2,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$6,776.06</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$6,776.06</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Travel	\$410.00
Interpreter Services	\$153.15
Catering (3 <sup>rd</sup> AGM)	\$95.50
CISVIC Training	\$450.00
CISVIC Membership fee	\$165.00
Business cards printing	\$125.00
ICI pull-up banner	\$260.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,658.65</b>
<b>Net Profit carried over</b>	<b>\$5,117.41</b>

## Balance Sheet ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017

<b>Assets</b>	
Cash in bank (Bendigo Bank)	\$5,117.41
Cash on Hand	\$0.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$5,117.41</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$5,117.41</b>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$5,117.41</b>