



GOONAWARRA
NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

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Annual Report 2024





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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc would like to acknowledge the Gunung Willam Balluk people of the Wurundjeri tribe on whose land we meet and operate, and we pay our respects to their elders – past, present, and emerging.

We want to acknowledge our major sponsors, the Department of Families, Fairness & Housing and Hume City Council (HCC), for their continued financial support; as well as Comazor who continues to co-fund our girls group.

Goonawarra NH would also like to acknowledge and thank the many organisations that have partnered with us to co-fund programs, support our mission and help extend the reach of the work Goonawarra NH.

In addition to these bodies and organisations, Goonawarra NH extends thanks to the volunteers that assist in running programs and supporting our operations, the friends of Goonawarra NH that donate in-kind services and the many families and community members that attend our program and services.



OUR PROFILE

Since our opening in April 1990, following the passionate efforts of local advocates and the Shire of Bulla, we have stood as a cornerstone of support within the Goonawarra Community Hub. Nestled among essential local services such as the Goonawarra Medical Centre, Sunningdale Avenue Children's Centre, and Goonawarra Primary School.

Our focus is on nurturing strong social connections and promoting mental health and well-being through a wide range of responsive services. Our programs are designed to meet the diverse needs of our community, guided by a community development approach that emphasizes inclusivity and support for people from all walks of life.

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House is a non-profit, community-controlled organisation managed by a dedicated Committee of Management composed of local volunteers. Our activities are supported primarily through funding from the Department of Families, Fairness & Housing, the City of Hume, and various grants. These resources enable us to offer programs that enhance social connectivity, build individual and community resilience, and promote mental health and well-being.

OUR VISION & MISSION

Vision

A strong, vibrant and cohesive community that embraces its diversity and empowers all to achieve their potential.

Mission

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House is a local hub for strengthening community connections, capacity, resilience, and mental health by providing services that are responsive to the needs of community members.





OUR VALUES

Inclusivity

We welcome all individuals, creating a safe and supportive environment where everyone is valued and respected, regardless of their background or circumstances.

Empowerment

We provide opportunities for people to build confidence, skills, and independence, fostering personal and collective growth.

Community

We believe in creating a sense of belonging through shared experiences and connections that reduce social isolation and strengthen relationships.

Compassion

We act with kindness and empathy, particularly in addressing the needs of those experiencing poverty, distress, or disadvantage.

Collaboration

We work together with community members, organizations, and stakeholders to create a vibrant, resilient, and supportive community.

Resilience

We foster an environment that helps individuals and families overcome challenges building mental strength and emotional wellbeing.

Respect

We recognize and value the diverse perspectives and contributions of all community members, encouraging mutual understanding and appreciation.

Innovation

We encourage creativity in addressing social welfare issues exploring new ways to deliver impactful and inclusive services.

Sustainability

We are committed to long-term social impact, ensuring that our work continues to support the welfare and wellbeing of future generations.



CHAIR'S FOWARD

Lockie Flenley

This year has been one of remarkable progress, growth, and collaboration, and I am honoured to reflect on our key achievements. Our commitment to serving the Sunbury community has been strengthened by the partnerships we have forged, the projects we have completed, and the plans we have set in motion for the future.

In 2024, the Committee has continued to grow and expand, allowing greater oversight of the house's governance, but also the ability to reach out into fundraising and community engagement, preparing for a successful 2025. It is thanks to these often forgotten parents and locals who volunteer their time behind the scenes, that our organisation can continue to serve our community.

I extend my thanks and gratitude to our 2024 committee members for their ongoing support and dedication to Goonawarra Neighbourhood House. Many of whom, along with our volunteers are featured in this report.

As we look to the future, the soon-to-be-published *2025-2028 Strategic Plan* sets a clear course for the continued growth and sustainability of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House. This plan, created with input from our team, volunteers, community members, and stakeholders, will ensure we remain responsive to the changing needs of the Sunbury community.

Our success this year would not have been possible without the tenacity and hard work of our staff and volunteers. I would like to particularly acknowledge Isabella Rosinsky, our House Manager, whose leadership and commitment have been instrumental in navigating this period of growth and change. Their efforts, alongside those of our team & volunteers have been vital in ensuring we continue to provide high-quality services and foster a welcoming environment for all.

The committee's primary focus throughout 2025 will be the ongoing financial stability of our organisation. Just as with many of the families that use the house, we have also been impacted by inflation related price increases.

In addition to advocating funding from local and state government bodies, Goonawarra NH is currently applying for deductible gift recipient status (DGR) to allow direct corporate sponsorship in 2025.

The Committee and I are looking forward to another successful year in 2025.



MANAGER'S FOWARD

Isabella Rosinsky

Over the past year, Goonawarra Neighbourhood House has continued its journey of transformation. As the House Manager, two of my key priorities have been to activate our spaces as much as possible and raise awareness of the valuable programs and services we offer to the community. I'm proud to say that our House is now a hub of activity, and the following report highlights just how busy we've become.

One of the most frequent pieces of feedback we receive is how cosy and welcoming the space feels. Visitors are always encouraged to "make themselves at home" with a cup of tea or coffee, and the atmosphere truly reflects that warmth. A significant part of this change has come from the simple yet impactful addition of our dining table. Although not new, it has transformed how people interact within the House since I began in my role. The table has made the space feel more homely, creating opportunities for users to relax, engage with one another, and form deeper connections. It has also given our staff and volunteers more chances to spend time with participants, listen to their needs, and provide support where necessary.

It's encouraging to hear more and more people recognise us, which is a significant achievement for a neighbourhood house nestled away in a housing estate, far from main roads. We are also mindful of the impact that surrounding developments will have on our community, and we're working proactively to ensure that Goonawarra Neighbourhood House becomes the "go-to" for residents in the southern part of Sunbury.

As a community development organisation, it is our responsibility to help both long-standing and new members of our community connect, engage, and contribute to our shared social capital. Our focus remains on providing programs that reduce social isolation, improve mental health, and build capacity within the community. This past year has seen us accomplish much, and we have exciting plans on the horizon, particularly as we continue to enhance community connections through programs like Sunbury Neighbour Day.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Committee for their unwavering confidence and support. Additionally, I extend my heartfelt thanks to the dedicated Goonawarra NH staff and volunteers, whose hard work and high standards have enabled us to deliver exceptional programs and activities to the community.



OPERATIONS REPORT

Isabella Rosinsky

The 2023/2024 financial year has seen some tremendous developments and progress at Goonawarra Neighbourhood House (which are detailed below). As the Manager of the House, it has been extremely exciting to see ideas come to fruition and watch the House come alive with new activities.

State Government Grant

Last year, the State Government generously provided \$100,000 to Goonawarra Neighbourhood House, enabling us to implement several key initiatives:

- ***Strategic Planning and Community Consultation:*** These efforts laid the foundation for improved service delivery, ensuring that community needs are met with more targeted and effective programs.
- ***Volunteer Engagement and Capacity Building Project:*** This project boosted local volunteerism, enriching our community through shared skills, strengthened social bonds, and greater community involvement.
- ***New Playground Equipment:*** The new playground offers children a safe and engaging space, promoting active play and family bonding within the community.
- ***Youth Programs Support Worker:*** Adding a support worker has enabled us to expand our youth programs, addressing the specific needs of young people and fostering their personal development.
- ***Cupboard Installation and Fridge Purchase:*** These upgrades enhance our facilities, allowing us to store supplies and perishable items, thereby supporting food distribution and program activities.
- ***Outdoor Equipment for Events:*** The new outdoor equipment makes community events more accessible, encouraging participation and social interaction.



OPERATIONS REPORT

Westgate Tunnel Project - Sunbury & Bulla Neighbourhood Fund

Through successful grant applications with the Sunbury & Bulla Neighbourhood Fund, Goonawarra NH launched:

- **Share The Love Festival:** Held in February 2024, this festival fostered community spirit, bringing people together for entertainment, food, and social activities.
- **Positive Beats Drumming Program:** This program for teens (ages 13-17) promotes mental well-being, providing a creative outlet and a supportive environment for young people.
- **Healthy Eating for Seniors:** Seniors enjoy cooking and sharing meals, fostering friendships and supporting healthier lifestyles through nutrition education.

Volunteer Grant

A federal volunteer grant allowed Goonawarra NH to purchase six planter boxes, enabling our **Plant & Play Playgroup** to cultivate herbs and vegetables. These planter boxes provide hands-on learning experiences for children, enhance our cooking programs, and contribute to our sustainability efforts. Most of the planting has been guided by our volunteer Chris who is a keen gardener.

End of Year Celebration 2023

Goonawarra NH tried something a little different last year and held an open house Christmas party for not only staff and volunteers, but also House users. Although the weather was miserable, we managed to have a great time with music, games, food and of course a visit from Santa Clause.

Network Meetings

The Manager actively participates in key networks that benefit the House and the Sunbury community. These include:

- The North-west Neighbourhood House Network
- SCRAP (*a network of services in Sunbury led by Sunbury & Cobaw Community Health*)
- Sunbury Playgroup Network
- Hume City Council Network Meetings
- Volunteer involving organisations – *meetings led by both Hume City Council and Sunbury & Cobaw Community Health.*

These collaborations allow Goonawarra NH to share resources, coordinate services, and advocate for community needs more effectively.

OPERATIONS REPORT

Goonawarra Community Centre

With support from Hume City Council, we expanded services to the Goonawarra Community Centre, activating an underutilised asset and giving us additional space to run more programs that address various community needs.

Strategic Partnerships

A key to successful community development work is the strength and quality of our partnerships. These partnerships enable Goonawarra NH to expand our services and reach into areas we would otherwise not manage with our limited resources. Recently we have developed key partnerships with:

- **The Multicultural Resources Hub** – Engaging with community members from other cultures and diversify our client base.
- **National Care Centre** – allowing Goonawarra NH to provide NDIS funded services to clients with a disability.
- **Give Until It Hurts** – Providing a hub to provide Social Work support to disadvantaged community members, and assisting to reduce social isolation.

Our ongoing partnerships with **Sunbury & Cobaw Community Health** and **Hume City Council** are instrumental to our continued work and service to our community.

Venue Hire

Interest in hiring Goonawarra NH continues to grow. The House is very popular for children's parties on the weekends thanks to the playground and the layout of the multipurpose space. The revenue generated from venue hire is a key funding stream for our programs.

We have several external organisations who hire out a space during the week for meetings, consultations or programs.

Evening and Weekend Programs for full-time workers
We regularly receive feedback from full-time workers that they would love to attend activities at the House but can't get here during the day. We listened and we responded with several activities that are available outside regular office hours. These include:

- Monday night Clay Play
- Tuesday night Choir
- Wednesday night Watercolour Painting for Beginners
- Thursday night Dungeons and Dragons (fortnightly)
- Saturday morning Family Playgroup



OPERATIONS REPORT

Farewell to Carly Lovett

At the end of this year, Goonawarra NH will bid farewell to Carly after almost three years working as the Facilitator of our youth programs. Over that time, Carly developed high quality engaging programs for our young people and their warm and compassionate demeanour made the program space feel warm and welcoming.

Carly has also contributed a lot of great ideas to the House which has helped us develop new and exciting programs.

Prior to taking up the role of Facilitator, Carly served on our committee.

Carly has played a key role in the House and will be greatly missed. We wish her well in her future endeavours.

Upcoming Plans for 2025

- **Sunbury Neighbour Day:** Based on *Relationship Australia's* "Neighbour Day," this localised event aims to build social capital and foster connections among new and existing Sunbury residents. Neighbour Day takes place around Easter time each year. Keep an eye out for what's in store for next year.
- **New Outdoor BBQ:** Thanks to *Sunbury Connected Communities*, a new BBQ will be available for future events, enhancing the Goonawarra NH's capacity for community gatherings.
- **Monthly Friday Night Gatherings:** Responding to community feedback, Goonawarra NH will host evening gatherings, providing regular opportunities for social interaction and strengthening community bonds.
- **Community Pantry:** Goonawarra NH's new pantry will support food security, enabling community members to donate and take items as needed, promoting mutual aid and solidarity. Community pantries in surrounding suburbs have worked extremely well and we're confident that this one will help bring the community together to support one another in these difficult times.
- **Eating Well for Seniors:** This popular program returns in 2025, offering nutrition education and social engagement for our senior residents, helping to reduce social isolation.
- **DGR Status Application:** Goonawarra NH has applied for Deductible Gift Recipient status, which will allow us to accept **tax-deductible donations**, enhancing our financial sustainability. We are looking forward to partnering with local business, allowing them to become more involved in the work we do through sponsorship.



PROGRAMS & SERVICES REPORT

Boys' Hangout

Over the past financial year, Goonawarra NH's boys' group, consisting of 9 and 10-year-olds from neurodiverse and multicultural backgrounds, has seen exciting activities and significant changes.

We welcomed student co-facilitators Leah, followed by Peter, but had to bid them farewell during the year. Goonawarra NH's is looking forward to offering more student placements in 2025 in partnership with *Kangan TAFE*.

Unfortunately, the boys' group ceased at the end of Term 2 due to changes in funding from the *Melbourne Magistrates Court*. These changes prohibited grant funds being used to fund our Youth Worker, Carly. However, we are actively exploring ways to get the group up and running again in 2025.

Throughout the year, the boys participated in a range of engaging activities that focused on building friendships, fostering inclusion, and enhancing social skills. Highlights included a special meet-and-greet Q&A with a dad who works as a prison officer and an incursion where the boys experienced Olympic-style racing at the velodrome, an unforgettable adventure.

Physical activities, outdoor games, team-building exercises, and creative projects helped promote collaboration, communication, and confidence. The group fostered a sense of belonging and provided a safe space where boys could connect, share, and grow together.

Though we had to pause the program, we remain committed to finding ways to revive this valuable group in the coming year.



PROGRAMS & SERVICES REPORT

Girls Circle

In the past financial year, our girls' group thrived with activities focused on building friendships, self-awareness, and navigating healthy relationships. We were pleased to welcome co-facilitators Leah and Peter, and though we had to bid them farewell, their contributions were greatly valued.

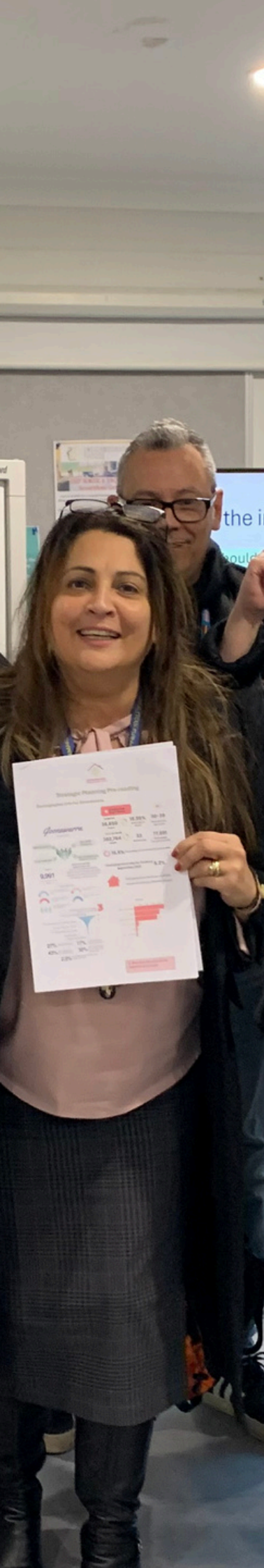
The girls engaged in a variety of creative and physical activities, such as crafting home decorations, jewellery making, and clay sculptures. Peer led lessons on ballet, dance routines, and karate moves gave the girls opportunities to showcase their leadership skills, while outdoor ball games remained a favourite, promoting teamwork and physical activity.

Discussions on healthy relationships, bullying, and boundaries helped the girls develop assertiveness and confidence in handling peer pressure and social dynamics. A visit from a former archaeologist, a strong female role model, was a highlight, encouraging the girls to aim high and manage anxiety effectively.

We also focused on fun and collaborative activities, including cooking sessions and group drumming, which brought rhythm and creativity to the program.

The group provided a safe space for emotional support and connection. We fostered essential life skills, including communication and conflict resolution, while supporting the girls overall mental and emotional well-being.

I would like to acknowledge Comazor, who continue to contribute funding for the girls circle, as they have for many years.



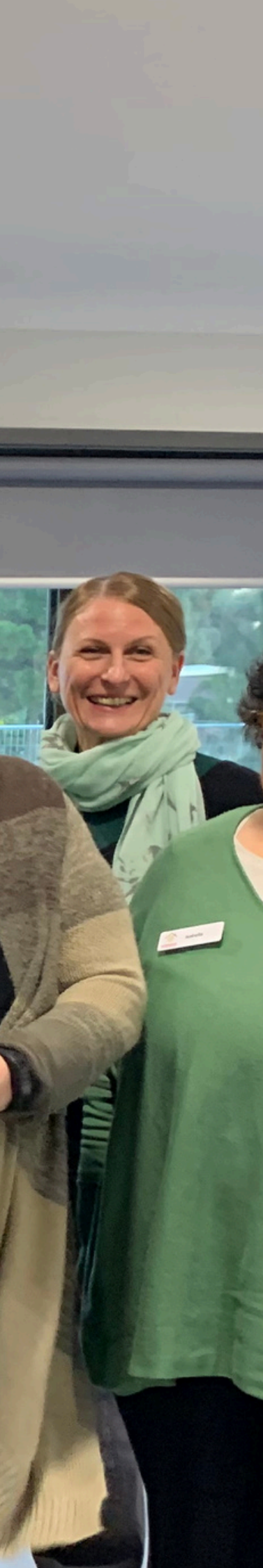
PROGRAMS & SERVICES REPORT

Positive Beats

The Positive Beats drumming program was a hit over the three school terms. While the facilitator hoped for more participants, the smaller group size has helped everyone form close bonds. One male participant, with autism, who has a knack for drumming and rapping, really shined. Facilitators have seen him progressively laugh more, become more creative, and work collaboratively with others. The program gave him a safe place to share his trauma and grow personally. Another boy, who was very shy and reserved at first, has come out of his shell, attends each week with optimism and has become much more confident.

A girl with autism also had an amazing transformation. At the start, she couldn't participate much or make eye contact. By the end, she was laughing with the group, connecting with the facilitators, and couldn't wait to come back next term with a friend.

The structured sessions have included rhythm activities and games, mindfulness meditations, both structured and improvised music making, and topic discussions with reflections and sharing. This positive learning environment has helped the kids gain insights into human behavior and how people respond to different situations. They've reflected on themselves and learned to connect with others.



PROGRAMS & SERVICES REPORT

Playgroups

Sensory Play has been incredibly popular, with sessions consistently reaching full capacity. This playgroup welcomes children from a broad age range, 0-5 years, offering each child an opportunity to explore and develop their sensory skills in an engaging, hands-on environment. Through sensory play, children build cognitive connections, enhance fine motor skills, and develop social skills as they interact with others. We are fortunate to have a dedicated volunteer, Zehra, who has formed strong relationships with the families. Her presence provides stability, and her warmth and commitment have become a tremendous asset to the House.

The **Plant and Play** sessions continue to be a highlight, fostering a connection to nature and a sense of responsibility in the children. Chris, our gardening volunteer, has returned, and we are planning to grow quick, easy-to-harvest vegetables for the summer, which enhances children's understanding of the growing process and encourages patience. We've also introduced smaller, plant-based activities, such as planting sunflower seeds in cups for the children to take home. These activities allow children to engage in age-appropriate gardening tasks and offer a sense of accomplishment and ownership as they care for their own plants.

Our **Saturday Family Playgroup** has fostered strong connections among families. These sessions have proven to be an excellent platform for building community, with families often meeting outside of playgroup hours. Parents of the group are highly passionate and supportive, which has created a warm and inviting environment. Through these gatherings, families find mutual support, share resources, and form meaningful friendships that extend well beyond the sessions.



PROGRAMS & SERVICES REPORT

Cooking Programs

Our **Kids in the Kitchen** program has grown in popularity, often leading us to run two classes simultaneously to meet demand. Aimed at younger children, this program focuses on introducing them to the joys of cooking through simple, fun recipes such as muffins, cookies, savory scrolls, and pizza. Participants are encouraged to try new foods and gain hands-on experience, all while learning kitchen basics under careful guidance.

Our **Teens in the Kitchen** program offers a more advanced culinary experience, with teens preparing more complex dishes and learning essential kitchen skills. They are taught proper knife-handling techniques and introduced to various kitchen tools, empowering them to recreate these meals at home and further develop their cooking abilities.

During part of the year, we offered specialized **bread and pasta-making** classes. Participants learned to make fresh pasta from scratch and prepared delicious sauces to accompany it, discovering how accessible and rewarding homemade pasta can be.

Our **Eating Well for Seniors** program continues to be highly popular, providing older adults with practical tips for preparing simple, nutritious meals. Beyond cooking, it offers a warm and inviting atmosphere where participants can socialize and enjoy meals together. We extend our thanks to the Westgate Tunnel Project Sunbury & Bulla Neighbourhood Fund for their generous grant, which helped us cover the program costs.



PROJECTS REPORT

Volunteer Engagement & Capacity Building Project Final Report

Project Aims: The Volunteer Engagement & Capacity Building Project aimed to:

- Increase community participation by involving more people in volunteer roles.
- Remove barriers to volunteering, making it easier for community members to engage in meaningful activities.
- Strengthen the sense of community, bringing people together and fostering a sense of belonging.
- Develop leadership skills among volunteers through training and mentoring, empowering them to lead community initiatives.
- Facilitate volunteer-led programs, which provide low-cost or free services to address the needs of Goonawarra and its surrounding areas.

Project Outcomes:

- **New Volunteer Recruitment:** We successfully recruited and retained new volunteers, expanding our community reach and service capabilities.
- **Volunteer Management Policy and Guide:** These new resources ensure safe and consistent volunteer practices, guided by national standards.
- **National Volunteer Week Celebrations:** This event acknowledged and appreciated our volunteers, reinforcing the positive impact they have on our community.
- **Volunteer Rewards Program:** Recognizing volunteer efforts builds morale and encourages ongoing participation.
- **Online Volunteer Hub:** This Hub streamlines volunteer induction and training, and provides a resource for ongoing volunteer capacity building
- **Creation of how-to guides** and content to support volunteers to apply for required compliance checks
- **Pitch to NWNH Network** about the Hub, potential for it to be rolled out across the Network. Initial plan built.
- **Videos for Recruitment and Awareness:** The videos highlight our volunteer stories, inspiring others to join and raising awareness about the community impact of volunteering.
- **New Volunteer webpage:**
<https://www.goonawarranh.com.au/volunteer/>



PROJECTS REPORT

Project Evaluation: Since launching the project, we've onboarded ten new volunteers, who contribute to roles like food relief, admin support, event planning, and more. All our volunteers have a story behind why they chose to volunteer, and what volunteering means to them. We've achieved a high volunteer satisfaction score of 4.67 out of 5, indicating the positive and supportive environment we provide.

"I love meeting new people; I love just helping out where I'm needed. My name is Rachelle Akers and I'm an admin support volunteer. I've been out of the workforce for about 21 years now. I have suffered with severe depression, and I was struggling getting out of bed. Now, coming here, two days a week to volunteer, has just made a huge difference for my self-esteem, for my confidence. I feel that I'm a happier person, I feel that I'm important. Yeah, it's been a great impact. Especially for my mental health, which has been fantastic."

Rachelle (new volunteer)



TREASURER'S REPORT

Laura Mackey

It is with great pride that I present the Treasurer's Report for the financial year of 2023-2024. This year has been a remarkable journey for Goonawarra Neighbourhood House, marked by growth, community engagement, and the successful implementation of programs that have enriched the lives of many residents in our community.

Thanks to the collective efforts of our dedicated team; our House Manager – Isabella, our Finance Officer - Sonja, our volunteers, and the generous support from various organisations, we have been able to secure a number of grants in 2024. These grants have been pivotal in enabling us to facilitate a diverse range of programs and services that directly benefit our community.

I would like to extend our thanks to Hume City Council for their support of Goonawarra NH. Their operational grant has helped assist in our ability to cover ongoing operational costs, such as electricity, gas and insurances that have increased throughout 2024. We look forward to working collaboratively with Hume City Council in 2025 to help bridge the funding gap that has been created, due to inflation.

Additionally, we would like to acknowledge the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFS) for their ongoing financial support. Their commitment to Goonawarra NH supports the employment of our team and co-fund many of our programs. The increase in the 2024/25 grant by 9% will help offset increases to wages and super, avoiding any changes to service delivery in 2025.

Despite the increases to many essential services, Goonawarra NH was able to close the 2023/24 Financial Year with \$2,367 surplus, an improvement from the previous year. This small surplus will be reinvested into our 2025 programs.

I would also like to express our appreciation to Collins & Co. for the thorough audit completed for this financial year. Their expertise and attention to detail have ensured that our financial practices remain transparent and accountable. Furthermore, our partnership with Suntax has been invaluable, providing us with the necessary resources and support to navigate the difficult financial landscape.

Thank you for your trust and support of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House.



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



Financial Statements

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

ABN 17 827 193 183

For the year ended 30 June 2024

Prepared by Suntax Pty Ltd

Responsible Person's Declaration

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. For the year ended 30 June 2024

In the opinion of the Committee Members of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.:-

1. The financial statements and notes of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. are in accordance with the Australian charities and Not-for Profits Commission Act 2012, including:

a) Giving a true and fair view of its financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and

b) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards including the Australian Accounting Interpretations and the Australian Charities and Non-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013; and

2. In the committee members' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that Goonawarra Neighbourhood House will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed: Lockie Flenley - Chair

Dated: 28/09/2024

Signed: Caitlin Bourke - Secretary

Dated:

Income and Expenditure Statement

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	NOTES	2024	2023
Income			
Revenue from Grants	2	269,132	175,052
Revenue from Program/Classes	3	37,061	50,699
Fundraising and Donations	4	17,210	17,611
Revenue from Other Activities	5	13,974	3,738
Total Income		337,377	247,100
Gross Surplus			
		337,377	247,100
Expenditure			
Program / Class Cost	6	37,923	32,310
Staffing Costs	7	257,646	248,449
Occupancy Costs	8	23,632	24,544
Administration Costs	9	15,689	21,205
Other Expenses	10	121	409
Total Expenditure		335,010	326,917
Surplus/(Deficit) before income tax			
		2,367	(79,817)
Total comprehensive income for the year			
		2,367	(79,817)

Statement of Financial Position

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

As at 30 June 2024

	NOTES	30 JUNE 2024	30 JUNE 2023
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	11	104,808	142,429
Trade and Other Receivables	12	6,541	2,712
Total Current Assets		111,349	145,141
Non-Current Assets			
Fixed Assets	13	45,540	25,225
Total Non-Current Assets		45,540	25,225
Total Assets		156,888	170,367
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	14	22,346	34,241
Provisions	15	15,323	58,337
Prepaid Income		41,836	2,772
Total Current Liabilities		79,506	95,350
Total Liabilities		79,506	95,350
Net Assets		77,383	75,016
Member's Funds			
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)		2,367	(79,817)
Retained Earnings		75,016	154,833
Total Member's Funds		77,383	75,016

Statement of Changes in Reserves

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
Equity		
Opening Balance	75,016	155,053
Increases		
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)	2,367	(79,817)
Adjustments in Retained Earnings	-	(220)
Total Increases	2,367	(80,037)
Total Equity	77,383	75,016

Statement of Cash Flows

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
Cash Flow Statement		
Cash flows from operating activities		
Receipts from customers	333,954	245,922
Payments to suppliers and employees	(344,796)	(294,553)
Interest received	3,423	1,178
Net Cash from operating activities	(7,419)	(47,453)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchases of Computer Equipment	-	(1,453)
Purchases of Furniture & Fittings	(30,202)	(909)
Purchases of Office Equipment	-	-
Net Cash used in investing activities	(30,202)	(2,362)
Cash at the end of the financial year		
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(37,621)	(49,815)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	142,429	192,244
Cash at the end of the financial year	104,808	142,429

Notes to the Financial Statements

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. For the year ended 30 June 2024

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial report is a special purpose report that has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, applicable Australian Accounting Standards and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

The financial report covers Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. as an individual entity. Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. is an Association incorporated in Victoria under the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets

b) Revenue

Revenue comprises income from occasional childcare, programs, room hire, government grants and other activities. Revenue from other activities is shown in Note 6.

Revenue is measured by reference to the fair value of consideration received or receivable by the Association for services provided.

Revenue is recognised when the amount of revenue can be measured reliably, collection is probable, the costs incurred or to be incurred can be measured reliably, and when the criteria for each of the Association's different activities have been met. Details of the activity-specific recognition criteria are described below.

Government Grants

A number of the Association's programs are supported by grants received from the government.

If conditions are attached to a grant which must be satisfied before the Association is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue is deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

Where a grant is received on the condition that specified services are delivered to the grantor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction. Revenue is recognised as services are performed and at year end a liability is recognised until the service is delivered.

Where a grant may be required to be repaid if certain conditions are not satisfied, a liability is recognised at year end to the extent that conditions remain unsatisfied.

Revenue from a non-reciprocal grant that is not subject to conditions is recognised when the Association obtains control of the funds, economic benefits are probable and the amount can be measured reliably.

Occasional Childcare Income

Fees are charged to parents for professional care of children aged from 3 months to 6 years. As well as activities to stimulate children's imagination and develop their skills. Income is recognised when the fee is paid in the financial year.

Programs

Fees are charged for diverse activities and courses for kids and adults of the community. Income is recognised when the fee is paid in the financial year.

Room Hire

Fees are charged for private functions on a needs basis for members of the community of Sunbury/Goonawarra and income is recognised when the service is provided.

Interest Income

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method.

b) Operating Expenses

Operating expenses are recognised in the profit or loss upon utilisation of the service or at the date of their origin.

Rent

As required by Australian Accounting Standards 1058 (AASB 1058), the Committee has elected to recognise the rent from Hume City Council at cost not fair value.

- The organisation has a high dependence on the Lease arrangement with Hume City Council which provides it the right to use the premises at 8 Gullane Drive, Sunbury
- The Lease is with Hume City Council for a value of \$1 inclusive of GST
- The current Lease commenced on the 01 July 2024 for a 5 year period

c) Non-current Assets

Each non-current Asset is carried at cost less, where applicable any accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets is depreciated over their useful lives to the Association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

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

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Computer Equipment	14%
Furniture & Fittings	20%
Office Equipment	14%

d) Income Taxes

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.

e) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand.

f) Employee benefits

Short-term benefits

Short-term employee benefits are benefits, other than termination benefits, that are expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service. Examples of such benefits include wages and salaries.

Long-term benefits

The Association's liabilities for annual leave and long service leave are included in other long term benefits as they are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service.

The Association presents employee benefit obligations as current liabilities in the statement of financial position if the Association does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the reporting period, irrespective of when the actual settlement is expected to take place.

g) Deferred Income

The liability for deferred income is the unutilised amounts of grants received on the condition that specified services are delivered or conditions are fulfilled. The services are usually provided or the conditions usually fulfilled within 12 months of receipt of the grant. Where the amount received is in respect of services to be provided over a period that exceeds 12 months after the reporting date or the conditions will only be satisfied more than 12 months after the reporting date, the liability is discounted and presented as non-current.

h) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenues and expenses are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation 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 statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

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

i) Economic dependence

The Association is dependent upon the ongoing receipt of Government grants and use of Hume City Council Facilities to ensure the ongoing continuance of its programs.

At the date of this report, management has no reason to believe that this financial support will not continue.

j) Significant management judgement in applying accounting policies

When preparing the financial statements, management undertakes a number of judgements, estimates and assumptions about the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

k) Related Party Transactions

The Committee Members act in an honorary capacity and are not paid for their services as Committee Members.

There were no transactions with related parties during the 2024 year.

Estimation uncertainty

Information about estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses has been provided. Actual results may be substantially different.

	2024	2023
2. Revenue from Grants		
City of Hume	30,973	42,119
Family, Fairness & Housing	135,645	131,205
Grant Funding	99,684	1,500
Volunteers Grant	2,831	228
Total Revenue from Grants	269,132	175,052
	2024	2023
3. Revenue from Program/Classes		
Health Communities: Festival Income	-	20,724
Membership Fees	-	300
Participation/Class Fees	17,158	10,399
Playgroup Victoria	797	2,756
Rental Income	19,106	16,520
Total Revenue from Program/Classes	37,061	50,699
	2024	2023
4. Fundraising and Donations		
Fundraising	730	1,311
Gifts & Donations Income	16,479	16,300
Total Fundraising and Donations	17,210	17,611
	2024	2023
5. Revenue from Other Activities		
Cleaning Fee	-	50
Eating Well	8,000	-
Food Parcels	2,334	1,268
Interest Income	3,423	1,178
Miscellaneous Income	6	40
PSB	-	1,180
Square Service Charges	211	22
Total Revenue from Other Activities	13,974	3,738

	2024	2023
6. Program / Class Cost		
Advertising	1,994	2,514
Course Refund	-	91
Festival Expense	8,376	10,741
Fundraising Expenses	60	528
Program Consumables	13,655	10,713
Program Facilitator / Tutor	4,577	6,249
Program Material / Equipment	7,906	1,074
Program Room Hire	1,354	400
Total Program / Class Cost	37,923	32,310
	2024	2023

7. Staffing Costs		
Allowances	(42)	1,071
Annual Leave	(11,733)	8,066
Consultants	3,000	1,180
Gross Wages	266,893	207,987
LSL	(36,250)	1,675
Portal Long Service Leave Payment	3,567	3,902
Staff Amenities	893	185
Super	23,743	21,209
Training	2,895	1,305
Volunteer Costs	1,434	276
Workcover	3,247	1,592
Total Staffing Costs	257,646	248,449
	2024	2023

8. Occupancy Costs		
Cleaning	7,553	7,892
Insurance	1,530	3,118
Office Furniture & Equipment	1,674	1,088
Office Supplies	1,702	716
Photocopier	912	1,698
Postage and Delivery	-	143
Printing & Reproduction	89	(18)
Projects	-	1,117
Rent	-	50
Repairs	590	155
Software Expense	6,133	5,869
Telephone & Internet	856	985
Utilities	2,593	1,731
Total Occupancy Costs	23,632	24,544

	2024	2023
9. Administration Costs		
Audit/ Bookkeeping Fees	3,500	9,325
Bank Service/Merchant Charges	544	616
Board Expenses	509	143
Depreciation	9,887	8,592
Membership/Subscription	998	2,428
Square Fees	250	100
Total Administration Costs	15,689	21,205
	2024	2023
10. Other Expenses		
Gifts & Donations	-	338
Other Expense	121	71
Total Other Expenses	121	409
	2024	2023
11. Cash & Cash Equivalents		
Auspost Load & Go	256	277
Aust Post Load & Go Card 2 (Angela CL)	148	-
Goonawarra Neighbourhood-LSL	100,000	53,608
Goonawarra Neighbourhood House	3,931	87,876
Statement Account - debit card	472	669
Total Cash & Cash Equivalents	104,808	142,429
	2024	2023
12. Trade and Other Receivables		
Accounts Receivable	6,541	2,712
Total Trade and Other Receivables	6,541	2,712
	2024	2023
13. Fixed Assets		
Office Equipment	315	315
Accumulated Depreciation - Office Equipment	(163)	(118)
Computer Equipment	9,845	9,845
Accumulated Depreciation - Computer Equipment	(4,650)	(3,237)
Furniture & Fittings	66,863	36,661
Accumulated Depreciation - Furniture & Fittings	(26,670)	(18,241)
Total Fixed Assets	45,540	25,225
	2024	2023
14. Trade and Other Payables		
Accounts Payable	1,391	2,069
Accrued Expense	3,691	5,553
GST	39	4,124
PAYG Payable	6,096	9,726
Superannuation Payable	11,128	12,770
Total Trade and Other Payables	22,346	34,241
	2024	2023
15. Provisions		
Provision for Annual Leave	7,452	19,185
Provision for LSL	7,871	39,152
Total Provisions	15,323	58,337

Depreciation Schedule

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.
For the year ended 30 June 2024

NAME	COST	OPENING VALUE	PURCHASES	DISPOSALS	DEPRECIATION	CLOSING VALUE
Computer Equipment						
iPads x 2	907	830	-	-	130	700
Laptop 1	1,872	1,175	-	-	269	906
Laptop 2	1,872	1,175	-	-	269	906
Laptop 3	1,162	729	-	-	167	562
Laptop 4	1,162	729	-	-	167	562
Laptop 5	1,162	729	-	-	167	562
Laptop 6	1,162	729	-	-	167	562
Wifi Mesh System	545	512	-	-	78	434
Total Computer Equipment	9,845	6,608	-	-	1,413	5,195
Furniture & Fittings						
2 x Samsung TV,s + Mounts	1,525	682	-	-	305	377
Airconditioning as per renovations	18,560	8,300	-	-	3,713	4,588
Bosch Hob	1,070	479	-	-	214	264
Defib	2,148	1,363	-	-	430	933
Dishwasher	716	320	-	-	143	177
F & P oven	1,341	600	-	-	268	331
Oven	1,000	447	-	-	200	247
Rangehood	2,182	976	-	-	436	539
Reception Workstation & Manager's Office Furniture	6,365	4,045	-	-	1,274	2,771
Refrigerator	845	378	-	-	169	209
Stacker Chairs x 10	909	831	-	-	182	649
New Fridge - For Food donations -HRF420BC-BM FRIDGE 70CM 433L	922	-	922	-	102	820
Playground upgrade	29,280	-	29,280	-	992	28,288
Total Furniture & Fittings	66,863	18,420	30,202	-	8,429	40,193
Office Equipment						
Utility cupboard	315	197	-	-	45	151
Total Office Equipment	315	197	-	-	45	151
Total	77,023	25,225	30,202	-	9,887	45,540

AUDITORS REPORT

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**AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION
TO THE MEMBERS OF
GOONAWARRA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC
A.B.N. 17 827 193 183**

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2024 there have been:

- i. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the review; and
- ii. No contravention of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

Frederik Ryk Ludolf Eksteen CA
ASIC Auditor Registration Number 421448

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Dated this 7th day of October 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc (the Association), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the statement by the members of the Board.

In my opinion, the financial report of the Association is in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012* and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*, including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its performance for the year ended; and
- ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards as per Note 1, the *Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012* and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*.

Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. I am independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

I draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc to meet the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012* and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the applicable legislation and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.



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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 registered entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the responsible entities.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the responsible entities use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the registered entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the registered entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal controls that I identify during my audit.

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Signature:

Date: 7 October 2024

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