

## Annual Report for 2014



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### Introduction

One of the joys of being a committee member of the Hobsons Bay Community Fund, is following up the local organisations to which we give grants to hear how they are going. Often committee members visit the group or attend one of their activities. Whether it is the Men's Shed, Newport Senior Citizens, Friends of Skeleton Creek or the Anxiety Disorders Association, there is much to learn and report back. Community organisations are such a valuable resource and we on the HBCF are keen to do what we can to support as many as we can.

Our capacity to assist grows year by year. In just 9 years we have supported 55 organisations with grants totalling \$120,000. In 2014 eleven grants were made totalling \$30,678.

The 2013 Annual Report noted the boost in our funds from a \$100,000 grant from the Victorian Government. After raising a matching \$100,000, largely from the Toll lunch, HBCF became eligible for a further \$100,000 from the Victorian Government in 2014. We are immensely grateful for this support.

2014 built on the momentum with new partnerships being established with Koorinal Golf Club and StarWeekly newspapers. The grant giving event was held at Koorinal, Altona, and interesting stories about the grant recipient organisations were run regularly by the StarWeekly helping those organisations build their profile and spread the word on what they were doing.

Hobsons Bay City Council continues to show the way in working with its employees to provide ongoing support for HBCF. A new "Project 200" is aimed at signing up 200 employees to make regular payroll contributions to the Fund. In 2015 we hope to extend payroll giving to a wider range of employers.

HBCF is about strengthening the community and building for the future. One of the next steps will be to encourage local people to leave something in their will for HBCF so these funds can go on benefiting the community in which they lived. It will support future generations and continue to make Hobsons Bay a great place to live.

After nearly ten years of getting established HBCF in 2015 will look to add some new members. Kathy Barton-Ancliffe from Signcraft joined in 2014 and Cr Carl Marsich, who was Mayor when HBCF was set up, will rejoin the committee in 2015. One of the originals, David Holland, will stand down as will Lea Thorpe and after wonderful support from Cr Sandra Wilson during her term as Mayor our new Mayor, Colleen Gates, will take her place.

Thank you to all our corporate supporters, those who made personal donations or gave pro bono assistance and the community organisations who do the hard work and give us such joy.

Hayden Raysmith AM  
Chair

## Grants made in 2014

A total of 62 requests for grants were received in 2014 and after a 2-stage review and application process, 11 grants were distributed totalling \$30,678. The grants made are outlined in the table below.

Recipient	Amount	Purpose
Friends of Skeleton Creek	\$1,000	To fund work on revegetation of the Altona Meadows creek area at 3 specific sites. The funds to be spent on site preparation, stakes, guards, plants and site maintenance.
Macedonian Women's Senior Citizens Group Altona North	\$600	To provide seminars to elderly Macedonian women about women's health issues.
Women's Health West	\$5,000	To provide families presenting at the refuge as a result of family violence with clothing, food and manchester. The refuge supports families to secure long term accommodation. Spending will be provided on the basis of \$300 per woman or \$600 per family to ensure a maximum of 16 women or 8 families will benefit.
Laverton Park Tennis Club	\$4,500	The club had recently built a new seating area and wished to install shade cloth over the area to provide a Sunsmart area for the children and families participating in the club activities.
Gellibrand Support Services Hanmer St Property	\$2,000	\$2000 to build a sensory and cut flower garden for clients. The long term aim would be to have clients participate in the Farmers Markets selling flowers, plants and produce whilst interacting and strengthening their connection to the local community.
Royal Yacht Club of Victoria	\$2,700	To provide a Discovery Sailing program for Altona Meadows Primary School senior students
Newport Seniors Citizens Centre Inc	\$1,000	To provide regular musical entertainment for local residents and residents of 2 aged care facilities who also attend the club for these activities.
Yooralla West Children's Services	\$5,000	To provide a specialist therapy group for children 0-6 with disability or developmental delay. The group sessions will provide parents with skills they can use with their child at home.
Altona Primary School Parents Association	\$3,920	To provide a 10 week drama program for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder and/or a learning or physical disability.
Hobsons Bay Men's Shed	\$2,000	To purchase software and equipment for the Future Creation Workshop.
Anxiety Disorders Association of Victoria Inc	\$2,958	To establish and deliver a program of information and education around the issues of Anxiety.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$30,678</b>	

## Pro bono and in-kind contributions

Pro bono and in-kind contributions to HBCF included:

- HBCF website support provided by **technology<atters>**
- Meeting space and venue for Grants Presentation event provided by the **Koorinal Golf Club**
- Catering assistance for Grant Presentation event provided by **Qenos**
- Fundraising efforts by **Hobsons Bay City Council staff** and the **Project 200 team**
- Postage and printing provided by **Compton Green**
- Ongoing maintenance work for community partner The Substation by **UMS**
- Venue and catering for committee meetings provided by **Qenos, Signcraft** and **Hobsons Bay City Council**.

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## Financial report

The financial report for 2014 is largely incorporated in the Australian Communities Foundation Annual Report available from their website (<http://www.melbournecf.org.au/>).

The table below presents a summary of activity for 2014:

	Value (\$)
ACF sub-fund opening balance (1 Jan 2014)	434,731
Income from donations, grants and other fundraising activities	107,986
Expenditure on grants	30,678
Expenditure on ACF administrative & management fees	10,947
Expenditure on other items	-
Increase in capital value	42,465
ACF sub-fund closing balance (31 Dec 2014)	543,557

A Bendigo Bank account established to meet costs associated with fundraising activities had an opening balance of \$19,282 and a closing balance of \$19,446. There were no withdrawals in 2014.

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### Attachment A: HBCF Committee

During 2014, Committee members included:

- Kathy Barton-Ancliffe
- Adrian Butera
- John Clarke
- Cr Colleen Gates
- David Holland
- David Mattner
- Helen McVay
- Kerri Pyne
- Hayden Raysmith AM (Chair)
- Lea Thorpe
- Cr Sandra Wilson.

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### Attachment B: HBCF Grants Committee

The Grants Committee members in 2014 were:

- Helen McVay
- Kathy Barton-Ancliffe
- David Mattner.

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### Attachment C: HBCF Nominations and Review Committee

The Nomination and Review Committee members in 2014 were:

- Hayden Raysmith AM
- Emma Wooley
- John Clarke.

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## Attachment D: HBCF Supporters and Partners in 2014

Major supporters and partners included:

- The Signcraft Group
- UMS
- Qenos
- Compton Green
- Hobsons Bay City Council.

Supporters included:

- Toll
- Macquarie
- Citywide
- Able Industries Engineering
- Port of Melbourne Corporation
- Newfarm
- Exxon Mobil
- Victoria University
- technology<atters>
- Keima Press
- Ray Horsburgh AM
- Raphael and Fiona Geminder.

Media Partner

- StarWeekly

Community Partners included

- Melbourne City Mission
- The Substation
- Koorringal Golf Club.