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CHILDREN AUSTRALIA INC.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

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Auditor's Independence Declaration

To the Board of Management of Children Australia Inc

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, as lead auditor for the audit of Children Australia Inc for the year ended 30 June 2024, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue			
Government grants and subsidies		61,756,695	57,721,639
Donations and fundraising activities		655,928	534,629
Investment income		1,180,004	1,273,963
Investment movements		1,121,590	771,344
Fees for service		1,591,004	2,262,751
Other income		424,902	356,701
Total Revenue	2(a)	66,730,123	62,921,027
Expenses			
Operational costs		62,546,783	56,790,941
Fundraising costs		25,036	222,492
Administration costs		2,894,542	2,538,560
Finance costs		325,197	220,749
Information technology costs		1,197,800	895,894
Property costs		355,451	269,341
Total Expenses	2(b)	67,344,809	60,937,977
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		(614,686)	1,983,050
Non Operating Revenue			
Increment on revaluation of Investment properties	2(a),7(d)	207,541	470,000
Increment in endowment funds	2(a)	66,478	16,007
Non Operating Surplus		274,019	486,007
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		(340,667)	2,469,058
Other Comprehensive Income			
Other Comprehensive Surplus/(Deficit)		-	-
Total Comprehensive Surplus/(Deficit)		(340,667)	2,469,058

The surplus for the year includes a non-operating endowment fund surplus of \$66,478 (2023 Surplus of \$16,007). The income from the endowment funds is available to be applied in accordance with the directions of each endowment towards the services provided by Children Australia Inc.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

CHILDREN AUSTRALIA INC.

Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3,5	4,728,284	6,381,048
Receivables	4,5	1,332,435	1,538,428
Financial assets	5	2,953,426	6,605,775
Other assets	6	736,366	482,349
Total Current Assets		9,750,511	15,007,600
Non Current Assets			
Financial assets	5	17,672,818	16,521,741
Property, plant and equipment	7	8,268,620	2,673,113
Investment property	7	4,940,000	4,670,000
Other assets	6	196,107	626,411
Right of Use Assets	7	7,826,198	4,343,115
Total Non Current Assets		38,903,743	28,834,379
Total Assets		48,654,254	43,841,979
Current Liabilities			
Provisions	8	4,399,143	3,493,923
Other liabilities	10	3,286,120	2,930,753
Payables	5,9	4,802,453	4,589,041
Right of Use Lease Liabilities	13	2,117,470	1,525,535
Total Current Liabilities		14,605,186	12,539,252
Non Current Liabilities			
Provisions	8	387,634	286,160
Right of Use Lease Liabilities	13	6,398,363	3,412,828
Total Non Current Liabilities		6,785,997	3,698,988
Total Liabilities		21,391,183	16,238,241
Net Assets		27,263,071	27,603,738
Equity			
Endowment funds	11	18,501,794	18,435,316
Accumulated surplus/(deficit)	12	8,761,278	9,168,423
Total Equity		27,263,071	27,603,738

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Equity

As at 30 June 2024

	Endowment Funds	Accumulated Surplus (Deficit)	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 30 June 2022	18,419,309	6,715,371	25,134,680
Net operating surplus/(deficit)	-	2,469,058	2,469,058
Increment in endowment investment funds	16,007	(16,007)	-
Balance at 30 June 2023	18,435,315	9,168,423	27,603,738
Net operating surplus/(deficit)	-	(340,667)	(340,667)
Increment in endowment investment funds	66,478	(66,478)	-
Balance at 30 June 2024	18,501,794	8,761,278	27,263,071

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Receipts from customers		64,012,808	58,128,099
Payments to suppliers, employees and others		(63,220,275)	(57,330,573)
Donations and fundraising		655,928	534,629
Interest, dividends and distributions received		1,110,267	1,349,966
Other income		424,902	356,701
ROU Interest and other interest paid		<u>(280,830)</u>	<u>(218,531)</u>
Net Cashflows from operating activities		<u>2,702,800</u>	<u>2,820,291</u>
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(6,015,130)	(136,753)
Payments for investments		-	(6,250,000)
Proceeds from Disposal of investments		<u>3,655,326</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Net Cashflows from investing activities		<u>(2,359,804)</u>	<u>(6,366,753)</u>
Repayment of lease liability borrowings		<u>(1,995,758)</u>	<u>(1,829,554)</u>
Net Cashflows from financing activities		<u>(1,995,758)</u>	<u>(1,829,554)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		(1,652,762)	(5,376,017)
Cash at the beginning of the year		<u>6,381,048</u>	<u>11,757,065</u>
Cash at the end of the financial year	3	<u>4,728,284</u>	<u>6,381,048</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2024

Note 1: Summary of Material Accounting Policy Information

The financial statements cover Children Australia Inc. as an individual entity. Children Australia Inc. is a Not-For-Profit Association incorporated in Victoria under the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements -simplified disclosures for Tier 2 entities, that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosure Requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board, the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission Act 2012. The Financial statements are presented in Australian dollars which is Children Australia Inc's functional and presentation currency.

The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events, and conditions. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets, and financial liabilities.

The financial report was authorised for issue on the 31st of October 2024 by the Board of Management.

(a) Property, plant and equipment and Investment properties

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

Investment properties which also include properties received from Endowments are held for long term investment purposes. Changes to fair values of the investment in these properties are recorded in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and as per AASB140 and are not depreciated. All tenant leases are on an arm's length basis.

All other fixed assets are depreciated over the useful lives of the assets commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use, using the straight-line basis. Assets under construction are classified as work-in-progress and are not depreciated until they are completed and ready for use. Work-in-progress is stated at cost, net of accumulated impairment losses. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the unexpired period of the lease.

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

<u>Class</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Buildings	2.5%
Motor vehicles	20%
Furniture and equipment	10% - 33%
Leasehold improvements	10% - 60%

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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(b) Right of Use Assets

A right of use asset is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The right of use asset is measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for, as applicable, any lease payments made at or before commencement. Right of use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the asset, whichever is the shorter. Right of use assets are subject to impairment or adjusted for any re-measurement of lease liabilities. Children Australia Inc. has elected not to recognise a right of use asset and corresponding lease liability for short term leases with terms of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. Lease payments on these assets are expensed to profit or loss as incurred.

(c) Lease Liabilities

The lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments to be made over the term of the lease, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, Children Australia Inc. incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments are comprised of fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable, less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees, exercise price of a purchase option when the exercise of the option is reasonably certain to occur, and any anticipated termination penalties.

(d) Lease Terms

The lease term is a significant component in the measurement of both the right-of-use asset and lease liability. Judgement is exercised in determining whether there is reasonable certainty that an option to extend the lease or purchase the underlying asset will be exercised, or an option to terminate the lease will not be exercised, when ascertaining the periods to be included in the lease term. In determining the lease term, all facts and circumstances that create an economical incentive to exercise an extension option, or not to exercise a termination option, are considered at the lease commencement date. Factors considered may include the importance of the asset to Children Australia Inc. operations; comparison of terms and conditions to prevailing market rates; incurrence of significant penalties; existence of significant leasehold improvements; and the costs and disruption to replace the asset. Children Australia Inc. reassesses whether it is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option, if there is a significant event or significant change in circumstances.

(e) Employee benefits

Provision is made for Children Australia Inc.'s liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled plus related on-costs. Other 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.

(f) Revenue

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

To determine when to recognise revenue, Children Australia Inc. follows a 5-step process:

1. Identify the contract with a customer
2. Identifying the performance obligations
3. Determining the transaction price
4. Allocating the transaction price to the performance obligations
5. Recognising revenue when / as performance obligations are satisfied.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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(f) Revenue (continued)

Revenue from the sale of goods and services is recognised at a point in time when Children Australia Inc. has despatched goods or provided the services, as this corresponds to the satisfaction of the performance obligation under the contract and the customer obtains control of the asset.

Income from grants that are enforceable and with sufficiently specific performance obligations are accounted for under AASB 15 Revenue from contracts with customers, with revenue recognised as these performance obligations are met. Income from philanthropic and other sources where the conditions of AASB15 are not met are accounted for under AASB1058 Income of Not-For-Profit Entities and recognised at the point of control of the funds if considered a contribution by owners.

Rental income is recognised when due and receivable. Donations and fundraising revenue are recognised when received.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method taking into account the interest rates applicable.

Dividends and franking credit rebates are recognised when the right to receive the dividend has been established.

(g) Income tax

Children Australia Inc. is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(h) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses, and assets from ordinary activities are recognised net of the amount of GST except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office ('ATO'). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or part of the item of the expenses from ordinary activities. Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

(i) Financial instruments

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

(i) Financial Assets

Children Australia Inc.'s financial assets include cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, term deposits, equity and non-equity instruments.

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI), or fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL).

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flows characteristics and the Companies business model for managing them. In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. On this basis, Children Australia Inc. has measured all financial assets other than the Managed portfolio and Shares at amortised cost. The Managed Portfolio was measured at FVOCI until February 2021 at which time it was liquidated and then transferred to new managers and invested in non-equity instruments which subsequently were measured at FVTPL.

Subsequent measurement

Children Australia Inc.'s financial assets at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest ('EIR') method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified, or impaired.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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(i) Financial Assets (continued)

Impairment of financial assets

Children Australia Inc. recognises an allowance for expected credit losses ('ECLs') for all fee for service receivables. ECL's are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that Children Australia Inc. expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate.

For fee for service receivables and other receivables, Children Australia Inc. applied a simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Therefore, Children Australia Inc. does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognised a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. Children Australia Inc. has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

Children Australia Inc. considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, Children Australia Inc. may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that Children Australia Inc. is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

(ii) Financial Liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as loans and borrowings or payables as appropriate.

Children Australia Inc's financial liabilities include trade payables only.

Initial recognition and measurement

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings and payables, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

(j) Fair Value

Children Australia Inc. measures some of its assets at fair value on a recurring basis.

Fair value is the price Children Australia Inc. would receive to sell an asset or would have to pay to transfer a liability in an orderly (i.e. unforced) transaction between independent, knowledgeable, and willing market participants at the measurement date.

As fair value is a market-based measure, the closest equivalent observable market pricing information is used to determine fair value. Adjustments to market values may be made having regard to the characteristics of the specific asset or liability. The fair values of assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined using one or more valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise, to the extent possible, the use of observable market data.

To the extent possible, market information is extracted from either the principal market for the asset or liability (i.e. the market with the greatest volume and level of activity for the asset or liability) or, in the absence of such a market, the most advantageous market available to the entity at reporting date (i.e. the market that maximises the receipts from the sale of the asset or minimises the payment made to transfer the liability, after taking into account transaction costs and transport costs).

For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement also takes into account a market participant's ability to use the asset in its highest and best use, or to sell it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The fair value of liabilities and the entity's own equity instruments (excluding those related to share-based payment arrangements) may be valued, where there is no observable market price in relation to the transfer of such financial instrument by reference to observable market information where such instruments are held as assets. Where this information is not available, other valuation techniques are adopted and, where significant, are detailed in the respective note to the financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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(k) Impairment - Other Assets

At each reporting date Children Australia Inc. reviews the carrying value of its assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. Any excess of an asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is recognised in the statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income.

(l) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when Children Australia Inc. has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will occur, and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

(m) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(n) Comparative Figures

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

(o) Excess of current assets over current liabilities

The Directors have prepared the accounts on the basis of a going concern for the following reasons:

As at 30 June 2024, Children Australia Inc. has a shortfall of current assets compared to current liabilities of \$4,854,674 (2023: \$2,468,347 excess), and positive net assets of \$27,263,071 (2023: \$27,603,738) and access to investment funds classified as non-current financial assets of \$17,672,818 (2023: \$16,521,741).

There are no indications that the funding model from Government Departments would be adversely affected in a period of 12 months from the date of signing of the audit report.

On this basis, the directors are confident that Children Australia Inc. can meet its debts and obligation as and when they fall due.

(p) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The Board evaluates the estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current data.

As per Note 1, the liability for employee benefits expected to be settled more than 12 months from the reporting date are recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, estimates of attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account with a discount rate of 4.348% based on the RBA's 10-year rate for semi-annual coupon bonds.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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(p) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments (continued)

Performance obligations under AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers to identify a performance obligation under AASB 15, the promise must be sufficiently specific to be able to determine when the obligation is satisfied. Management exercises judgement to determine whether the promise is sufficiently specific by taking into account any conditions specified in the arrangement, explicit or implicit, regarding the promised goods or services. In making this assessment, management includes the nature/type, cost/value, quantity and the period of transfer related to the goods or services promised (Notes 2 and 10).

The fair value of investment properties can be measured via either the capitalisation method, the discounted cash flow approach, or by comparison to comparable sales. The fair value methodology which is used when valuing property assets via the capitalisation method requires significant assumptions to be made in respect of both sustainable net operating income and market capitalisation rate. Fair value is determined on the basis of either an independent valuation prepared by external valuers as at the balance sheet date or directors' valuation as disclosed in note 7.

Children Australia Inc. has entered into leases of premises and vehicles as disclosed in note 14. Management has applied the implicit borrowing rates of the individual leases to the calculations and reasonably certain lease terms.

(q) Redress Scheme

Children Australia Inc. is a member of the Australian Federal Government's Redress scheme for the survivors of Institutional Child Sexual Abuse. The scheme will operate for 10 years and provide support and financial redress to victims of sexual abuse within institutions. Children Australia Inc. welcomes and supports the National Redress Scheme, as recommended by the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, in acknowledging the harm caused and provide support to people who were sexually abused as children survivors while in the care of an institution.

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Note 2: Operating Surplus/(Deficit)

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
(a) Revenue and other income		
Operating activities		
- government grants and subsidies	61,756,695	57,721,639
- donations and fundraising activities	655,928	534,629
- fees for service	1,591,004	2,262,751
- other income	424,902	356,701
- investment income	1,180,004	1,273,963
- market movement of investments	1,121,590	771,344
	<u>66,730,123</u>	<u>62,921,027</u>
Non-operating activities (fair value movements)		
- David Pincus endowment funds	66,478	16,007
- investment property revaluation	470,150	70,000
- endowment property revaluation	(262,609)	400,000
	<u>274,019</u>	<u>486,007</u>
(b) Expenses		
Operating activities		
- salaries and wages	41,184,871	35,753,220
- superannuation	4,166,489	3,450,636
- carer and client expenses	10,389,325	10,051,005
- outside professional services	1,820,375	1,701,995
- IT expenses	1,896,066	1,947,531
- general operating expenses	3,966,110	4,381,224
- rental expense and operating leases	584,567	528,420
- finance costs	325,197	220,749
- depreciation expense	835,773	1,020,839
- amortisation expense	1,820,585	1,613,017
- property costs	355,452	269,342
	<u>67,344,809</u>	<u>60,937,977</u>

Note 3: Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash on hand (non interest bearing)	3,436,013	177,051
Cash at bank (interest bearing)	1,292,271	6,203,997
	<u>4,728,284</u>	<u>6,381,048</u>

Cash is on hand or available on demand.

Interest rates are variable and reflect current market rates.

Cash that forms part of the investment portfolio is classified as a non-current asset in accordance with accounting policy note 1 (i).

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Note 4: Receivables

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Current		
Trade debtors	765,132	1,168,002
Provision for expected credit loss	-	-
Sundry debtors	565,418	365,507
Books	1,885	4,919
	<u>1,332,435</u>	<u>1,538,428</u>

Note 5: Financial Assets

Financial instruments of Children Australia Inc. consist mainly of deposits with banks, short-term and long-term investments, receivables and payables, and loan liabilities. The carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments is as follows:

Financial assets at amortised cost		
Cash and cash equivalents	4,728,284	6,381,048
Term deposits	2,953,426	6,605,775
Trade receivables and other receivables	1,332,435	1,538,428
Total financial assets at amortised cost	<u>9,014,146</u>	<u>14,525,251</u>
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss		
Managed Portfolios	*	17,672,818
		16,521,741
Total Financial assets at fair value through Profit and Loss		<u>17,672,818</u>
		<u>16,521,741</u>
* Financial assets per the financial statements	17,672,818	16,521,741
<u>Financial Liabilities</u>		
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost		
Payables	4,802,453	4,589,041
Total financial liabilities	<u>4,802,453</u>	<u>4,589,041</u>

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Note 6: Other Assets

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Current		
Current prepayments	736,366	482,349
	<u>736,366</u>	<u>482,349</u>
Non-Current		
Security deposits	196,107	626,411
	<u>196,107</u>	<u>626,411</u>

Note 7: Investment Property and Property, Plant and Equipment

(a) Investment property		
Land and buildings at independent valuation	3,840,000	3,320,000
Endowment properties at independent valuation	1,100,000	1,350,000
Total Investment properties	<u>4,940,000</u>	<u>4,670,000</u>
(b) Service property, plant and equipment		
Motor vehicles at cost	85,160	85,160
less accumulated depreciation	(85,160)	(85,160)
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Furniture and equipment at cost	2,841,285	2,700,341
less accumulated depreciation	(2,347,367)	(1,954,961)
	<u>493,918</u>	<u>745,380</u>
Leasehold improvements	4,687,242	3,771,260
less accumulated amortisation	(2,293,345)	(1,843,527)
	<u>2,393,897</u>	<u>1,927,734</u>
Work in progress	<u>5,380,805</u>	<u>-</u>
Total service property, plant and equipment	<u>8,268,620</u>	<u>2,673,113</u>

In March 2024, Children Australia Inc. completed the purchase of a newly constructed national support office located at Level 4 22 Kings Place South Melbourne VIC 3205. The purchase price was \$4,196,436 excluding GST. As of 30 June 2024, the office was still undergoing fit-out, and the Work in Progress balance reflects costs associated with the purchase, as well as the installation of fittings, furniture, and equipment. An additional \$127,482 excluding GST was paid in July and August 2024, with a 5% cash retention of \$44,528 excluding GST scheduled for payment in August 2025. The office became operational in August 2024.

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(c) Property Plant and Equipment	Opening balance	Reclassify	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation/ Amortisation	Revaluation	Closing balance
	\$				Expense		
Furniture & equipment	745,380	-	140,944	-	(392,406)	-	493,918
Leasehold Improvements	1,927,733	-	926,381	(10,400)	(449,818)	-	2,393,896
Work in Progress	-	-	5,380,805	-	-	-	5,380,805
TOTAL	2,673,113	-	6,448,130	(10,400)	(842,224)	-	8,268,620

(d) Investment property #	Opening balance	Reclassify	Additions	Disposals	Depreciation/ Amortisation	Revaluation	Closing balance
	\$				Expense		
Land	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Land & Buildings	3,320,000	-	49,850	-	-	470,150	3,840,000
Endowment properties	1,350,000	-	12,609	-	-	(262,609)	1,100,000
TOTAL	4,670,000	-	62,459	-	-	207,541	4,940,000

All Investment properties were subject to independent valuations in 2024 - Note 1(a)

Ellis Estate endowment property	349,811
Emerald Hill endowment property	750,189
Total Endowment properties	1,100,000

(e) Right of Use Assets	Opening balance	Reclassify	Additions	Disposals	Amortisation	Revaluation	Closing balance
	\$						
ROU - Property	3,999,392	-	4,623,301	-	(1,466,782)	-	7,155,911
ROU - Motor Vehicles	343,722	-	680,367	-	(353,803)	-	670,287
TOTAL	4,343,114	-	5,303,668	-	(1,820,585)	-	7,826,198

Note 8: Provisions

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Current		
Employee benefits	<u>4,399,143</u>	<u>3,493,923</u>
	4,399,143	3,493,923
Non-Current		
Employee benefits	<u>387,634</u>	<u>286,160</u>
	387,634	286,160
Total Provisions	<u>4,786,776</u>	<u>3,780,083</u>

As endorsed by the board, Children Australia Inc. implemented a policy in May 2024 granting one week of additional leave for every five years of continuous service. The policy was applied retrospectively with leave entitlements calculated from each employee's original hire date. As of 30 June 2024, the provision for recognition of service leave amounted to \$364,790 as a current liability and \$96,496 as a non-current liability.

Note 9: Payables

Trade payables	2,792,764	3,356,940
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	<u>2,009,689</u>	<u>1,232,101</u>
Total Payables	<u>4,802,453</u>	<u>4,589,041</u>

Note 10: Other Liability

Deferred Income	2,262,254	1,337,866
Funds Refundable	<u>1,023,866</u>	<u>1,592,887</u>
Total Other Liabilities	<u>3,286,120</u>	<u>2,930,753</u>

Note 11: Endowment Funds

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
General Endowment	179,398	179,398
Emerald Hill Endowment	10,692,518	10,692,518
Ellis Estate Endowment	7,108,640	7,108,640
Yallum Endowment	30,148	30,148
J.C. Butler Scholarship	7,800	7,800
McNaughton Trust	114,851	114,851
Gregory Trust	1,000	1,000
Murison Trust	22,900	22,900
Edith and Maurice Feitel Trust	100,000	100,000
David Pincus Endowment	244,539	178,061
	<u>18,501,794</u>	<u>18,435,316</u>

Movement in Endowment Funds

David Pincus Endowment

Balance at the start of the year	178,061	162,054
Additional Contribution Less Scholarships	66,478	16,007
Balance at the end of the year	<u>244,539</u>	<u>178,061</u>

The income from but not the capital of endowment funds can be used for the operations of Children Australia Inc. unless the endowment specifies other terms.

Note 12: Accumulated Surpluses

Retained surpluses at the beginning of the financial year	9,168,423	6,715,371
Net operating surplus/(deficit) for the year excluding movement in endowment funds	(407,144)	2,453,052
Retained surpluses at the end of the financial year	<u>8,761,278</u>	<u>9,168,423</u>

Note 13: Right of Use Lease Commitments

Under AASB 16, all leases are accounted under a single on-balance sheet model. Other than short-term leases of less than twelve months and leases of low-value assets, there is a recognition of right-of-use (ROU) assets and corresponding lease liabilities in the statement of financial position. Straight line operating lease expense recognition is replaced with a depreciation charge for the ROU assets and an interest expense on remaining lease liabilities (including finance costs). For classification within the statement of cash flows, the interest portion is disclosed in operating activities and the principal portion of the lease payments are separately disclosed in financing activities.

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Right of Use Lease Liabilities Payable		
- not later than one year	2,117,470	1,525,535
- later than one year	6,398,363	3,412,828
	<u>8,515,833</u>	<u>4,938,363</u>

Children Australia Inc. holds a notable lease for an office located at 4/14 Mason Street Dandenong VIC 3175. The annual lease payment is \$418,676 excluding GST with a fixed yearly increase of 3.5%. The lease is set to expire on 30 November 2027 with an option to renew for an additional 4 years. Children Australia Inc. also has another significant lease for an office at 20 Davey Street Frankston VIC 3199 which includes 24 exclusive car parking spaces. The annual lease payment is \$438,879 excluding GST with a fixed yearly increase of 3.5%. The lease expires on 9 December 2028 with a renewal option for an additional 5 years.

Operating leases with a term of less than 12 months from the date of initial application are treated as short-term leases.

Note 14: Financial Risk Management**(a) Financial Risk Management Policies**

Children Australia Inc.'s financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, long term investments that comprise of Australian fixed interest, cash management accounts, accounts receivable, accounts payable and managed funds.

Financial Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	4,728,284	6,381,048
Term deposits-held to maturity	2,953,426	6,605,775
Managed portfolios- available for sale	17,672,818	16,521,741
Receivables	1,332,435	1,538,428
	<u>26,686,964</u>	<u>31,046,991</u>
Financial Liabilities		
Payables	4,802,453	4,589,041
Funds refundable	1,023,866	1,592,887
	<u>5,826,319</u>	<u>6,181,929</u>

(b) Net Fair Values

For equities held in managed portfolios their fair value is based on closing quoted bid prices at the end of the reporting period. In determining the fair values of the unlisted shares, the Board of Management have used inputs that are observable either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices).

Fair values of the term deposits generally reprice to a market interest rate every six months. This therefore approximates fair value.

Note 15: Related Party Transactions

Board member, Catherine Dunlop is a partner at Maddocks Lawyers. Maddocks Lawyers were paid \$32,331 for legal services in the 2024 financial year. All transactions were undertaken on commercial terms on an arm's length basis.

Board member, Dr Sandra Heriot is the owner and principal consultant of Sandra Heriot Consulting. Sandra Heriot Consulting was engaged to: review and analyse data collected on OzChild's FFT-CW and MST-CAN programs in NSW and Victoria and Wandiyali's MST-CAN program in NSW; examine effectiveness of the programs; and, provide a final report summarising findings and recommendations for ongoing data collection. Sandra Heriot Consulting provided services to the value of \$14,080. These transactions were undertaken on commercial terms on an arm's length basis.

All members of the Board of Management acted in an honorary capacity.

Note 16: Key Management Personnel Compensation

The aggregate compensation made to directors and other members of key management personnel of the association is set out below:

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Aggregate Compensation	<u>1,625,020</u>	<u>1,481,954</u>

Note 17: Auditors Remuneration

Audit review services by Grant Thornton Australia

Audit and review of the Financial Statements	<u>45,320</u>	<u>41,000</u>
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Note 18: Events after the Reporting Period

The newly acquired national support office located at Level 4 22 Kings Place South Melbourne VIC 3205, became operational in August 2024. The assets were capitalised and commenced depreciation from then.

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction, or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the Directors, to significantly affect the operations of Children Australia Inc., the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of Children Australia Inc. in subsequent financial years.

Note 19: Comments and Contingent Liabilities

The company is in the process of defending civil Redress actions brought against it. The company has made appropriate provisions to defend these allegations and are of the opinion that these are sufficient to cover any potential findings. Accordingly, the probability of any further material adverse financial exposure in this regard is considered unlikely.

Children Australia Inc. holds two bank guarantees with Bendigo Bank. The first guarantee, associated with the property lease at 4/14 Mason Street Dandenong VIC 3175 has a limit of \$115,135.90 and is set to expire on 30 November 2027. The second guarantee, linked to the office lease of 7S Second Floor 270 Lahrs Road Ormeau QLD 4208, has a limit of \$28,221 and will expire on 1 October 2033. These guarantees are secured by term deposits totalling \$143,356.90.

Additionally, Children Australian Inc. has a business market rate loan facility (interest only) with Bendigo Bank with a limit of \$4,000,000. This facility is active until 27 March 2027. The facility is secured by the company's properties located at 947 Nepean Highway Mornington VIC 3931, 94 Thompson Street Hamilton VIC 3300, and 401/8 Palmerston Crescent (also known as Level 4 22 Kings Place) South Melbourne VIC 3205.

Note 20: Economic Dependence

Children Australia Inc. is dependent on a number of Government agencies for the majority of its revenue used to operate the business. At the date of this report the Board of Management has no reason to believe that these Government agencies will not continue to support Children Australia Inc.

Note 21: Association Details

The registered office and principal place of business of Children Australia Inc. is:

Level 4, 22 Kings Place

South Melbourne VIC 3205

Board of Management Declaration

Children Australia Inc.

ABN: 90 680 959 928

The board of management of Children Australia Inc. declare that:

1. The attached financial statements and notes of Children Australia Inc., are in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 including:

a. giving a true and fair view of the company's 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 Simplified Disclosure Requirements (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations), the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012 and the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012.

2. there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the board of management made pursuant to subsection 60.15(2) of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022.



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President: Helen Maxwell-Wright



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Treasurer: Michael Wootten

Dated this 31st day of October 2024

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Children Australia Inc

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Children Australia Inc (the "Registered Entity") which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of material accounting policies and the Board of Management declaration.

In our opinion, the financial report of Children Australia Inc has been prepared in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- a giving a true and fair view of the Registered Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- b complying with Australian Accounting Standards AASB 1060 *General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures for For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities* and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2022*.

Basis for opinion

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

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

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Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Board of Management are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Registered Entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2024, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Board of Management for the financial report

The Board of Management of the Registered Entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – *AASB 1060 General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures for For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities* and the ACNC Act, and for such internal control as the Board of Management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Board of Management are responsible for assessing the Registered Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Management either intend to liquidate the Registered Entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board of Management are responsible for overseeing the Registered Entity's financial reporting process.

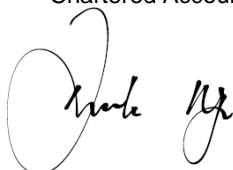
Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

Our 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 the 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 this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.



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