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berry street victoria
annual report
2006



the year's

Although it is customary for our Annual Report to present key achievements, the real highlight is the critical work that our staff do every day to help children and young people recover from the devastating impact of family violence, child abuse and neglect. The value of this work, and the challenges, cannot be underestimated.

Key achievements are summarised under our 5 Strategic Goals

Services – BSV delivers the highest quality services

Quality Improvement Initiatives

We commenced the accreditation process for the Australian Business Excellence Framework with a self-assessment process in which all Board members and 313 staff participated with 626 surveys completed. This information is the basis for our organisational Improvement Plan.

Innovation

Our determination to develop new options for our clients was evidenced by a number of new initiatives. These included:

- The development of a Living Independently Manual for young people leaving care;
- The expansion of our group work program, First Steps, which helps vulnerable young people learn how to care for young children;
- A mentoring program for young people in Gippsland;
- The expansion of our family violence work with women and children in the northern suburbs;
- The growth in our community programs in Seymour;
- The strengthening of our links with the Aboriginal community and the innovative work of our Aboriginal team in Take Two; and
- A partnership with Windana in the Southern region where we support the children of parents with substance use issues.

People – BSV has the best staff and carers

Exceptional People

- Board members, Janine Kirk, AM and Bill Noonan, OAM, were recognised in the Queen's Birthday Honours for their exceptional service to the community.

- Sandra Conrow, a residential worker in Gippsland, received the Lifelong Learner Award from the Community Services and Health Industry Training Board.
- Pat Clinton, Manager of our Accommodation Services in the South, was recognised for her outstanding work at the annual Department of Human Services Robin Clark Memorial Awards.

Strengthening our Learning Culture

- We developed our own 4½ day supervision training for all staff in supervisory roles to ensure that our staff are properly supported to provide high quality services.
- We also developed a six day orientation package for residential care staff "You Can Make a Difference" – a first for Australia.

Supporting our Staff and their Families

- We launched our Employee Assistance Program in National Families Week in May.

Resources – BSV has the resources to sustain and enhance our work

Sale of East Melbourne Site

With the growth of our services across Victoria, we had long outgrown our administrative base in Berry Street, East Melbourne. Although a difficult decision, the Board resolved to sell the East Melbourne site. The property was sold in December 2005 and we expect to move in November 2006.

Good Financial Management

We achieved an excellent financial result for the year, which included significant savings in our WorkCover premium.

Stronger Administrative Support

With our increased range and spread of services, we needed to strengthen our administrative infrastructure. The creation of new senior roles and administrative teams across the organisation has reinforced the valuable role played by our support staff.

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Community – BSV enhances connectedness to community

Community Relations Review

Recognising the need for a more strategic approach to fundraising, partnerships and promotion, external consultants helped us review our Community Relations area and develop a plan.

Stronger Partnerships

We strengthened relationships with a number of our corporate partners. In particular, ANZ significantly increased its investment in financial inclusion programs and the RACV generously supported our Road-2-Safety program for young people who do not have parental support to help them learn to drive.

Knowledge – BSV uses its knowledge for improvement and innovation

ENQIRY Unit (Excellence kNowledge, Quality, Innovation, Research advocaCY)

- Our newly established ENQIRY Unit finished its first year and strengthened our capacity for research, capturing our considerable practice wisdom and encouraging reflective practice.

- Our Youth Empowerment Project saw a young person, who has herself been in care, work with our young people on how we can be more responsive to their needs.
- We became a Registered Training Organisation.

Sharing our Knowledge

- Annette Jackson, our Research Manager with our Take Two program, was awarded a Creswick Fellowship to travel to the United States for three months to share our learnings from Take Two and also bring back knowledge about how to better help children and young people recover from the trauma of child abuse and neglect. Annette was subsequently made a Fellow of the ChildTrauma Academy in the United States of America, the only person in Australia to be offered this honour.
- Following a request from the Premier's Department, Raeleen McKenzie from Take Two was seconded for three months to help develop a policy response to disengaged young people in Victoria as part of "A Fairer Victoria". It has been rewarding for Raeleen and BSV to see the tangible outcomes of this Project, with the Government's recent announcement of funding for Youth Transition workers.

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The extraordinary and courageous women who founded Berry Street Victoria in Melbourne in 1877 would probably have mixed feelings about the society we live in today.

They would no doubt be proud to know that Berry Street has evolved so effectively that it is able to assist the 6,000 Victorian children, young people and families who need our help each year, and they would welcome the fact that we work across metropolitan, regional and rural Victoria.

However they would also no doubt be astounded and saddened by the fact that the incidence of child abuse and neglect in our developed society continues to grow - in Victoria alone there were 38,000 such notifications last year - and they would be amazed by and proud of the range of complex services which their founding agency now provides to children and their families in their recovery from the horrendous traumas associated with family violence, child abuse and neglect.

As this agency heads toward its 130th year of operation in 2007, we reflect constantly on the foresight of those founding women and the people who supported them. We are continually reminded of the duty we bear as the current custodians of their vision and their unstinting commitment to children and to the key principle which drove them, as it still drives us - that a child in need of our care is never turned away, no matter how difficult the situation becomes.

Given the scale of our work in 2006, our 128th Annual Report can only provide a brief snapshot of what we do. We hope you enjoy it, learn from it and hopefully are inspired by it.

But this document cannot fully reflect the courage, the commitment and the pure hard work put in by our 450 staff and 280 volunteer foster carers - day after day after day.

Neither can it adequately recognise the devotion and expertise of our Board of Directors and expert advisers and their countless hours of volunteered time. They know who they are, and we thank them all most sincerely.

And neither does it thank appropriately our financial supporters - our wonderful donors, fundraisers, corporate partners, philanthropic foundations, community groups, Governments and Government departments and agencies - who support us because they believe in what we are doing for the children of Victoria.

We simply trust that through our ongoing relationships with you all, you understand clearly how much you mean to us and how much we value your contribution.

Mary Clark
President

Sandie de Wolf
Chief Executive Officer

BSV is most fortunate to have such a committed, expert and professional Board.



Mary Clark. *BA(Journalism). Public Relations and Media Consultant.*
An expert in crisis management and public relations, Mary joined the Board in 1997. She was elected President in 2004 and Chairs our Marketing Development Committee.

Dr Neil Coventry. *MBBS, FRAWZCP, Cert. Child Psychiatry Training.*
Director Austin Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service.
Neil is recognised for his expertise in, and commitment to, children and adolescents who have suffered abuse. Joining the Board in 2003, Neil chairs our Clinical and Program Advisory Group.

Mithran Doraisamy. *BSc, MBA, ACA.*
Partner, Business Advisory Services, Ernst and Young.
Mithran has extensive experience in advising business on financial, strategic and business development issues. Mithran joined the Board in 2004 and is a member of our Marketing Development Committee.

Gerard Dalbosco. *B.Comm, M.App.Fin., ACA, ASIA.*
National Managing Partner, Transaction Advisory Services, Ernst & Young.
Gerard's financial management, investment knowledge and strategic advice are of great assistance. Gerard joined the Board in 2001 and is a member of our Investment and Finance Committees.

Laurinda Gardner. *BA(Hons). Deputy Secretary, Strategic Management, Department of Treasury and Finance.*
Laurinda contributes her extensive experience in human resources management, strategic planning and change management. She joined the Board in 2000 and chaired our Risk Management Group, Strategic Planning Reference Group and Information Management Group.

David Green. *BA Dip. Soc. Stud, MA(Hons), PSM.*
Associate Professor, School of Social Work, La Trobe University.
With a distinguished background in social work and public welfare, David challenges BSV and the sector to better use public policy to help solve problems in our complex world. A member of our Practice Policy Committee, Clinical and Program Advisory Group and Risk Management Group, David joined the Board in 2002.

Russ Incoll. *BE Dip. Ed. Consultant.*
As Vice President of BSV, Russ brings his passion for excellent human resources practice and his considerable business skills. He joined the Board in 1999 and chairs our Investment and Finance Committees.

Kate Jenkins. *BA(Hons), LLB(Hons).*
Partner, Employee Relations, Freehills.
Kate is a Partner at Freehills' Employee Relations Group and is recognised throughout Australia for her expertise in all employment related matters. Having joined the Board in 2001, Kate is also valued for her inquiring mind. She chairs our Education Advisory Committee.

Janine Kirk. *AM - B.Ec. Executive Director, Committee for Melbourne.*
The Board celebrated Janine's 10 years of service to BSV this year. Janine's considerable senior management experience, in both the public and private sectors, and her extensive networks, have played a major role in BSV's growth over the last decade. Janine is currently Vice President and member of our Marketing Development Committee.

Peter Koren. *B.Bus, AANA. Managing Director, Oceanis Australia.*
Peter's extensive experience in advertising and marketing, both in Australia and overseas, provided a new dimension to the Board. Having joined the Board in 2002, he is a member of our Marketing Development Committee.

Bill Noonan. *OAM. Victorian Branch Secretary, Transport Workers' Union.*
Our newest Board member (2005), Bill has over 30 years experience as a union official in the transport industry. Bill is always looking for opportunities to help BSV through his many and varied networks. He is a member of our Education Advisory Committee.

Michael Strong. *County Court Judge.*
Michael, our longest serving Board member, joined BSV in 1991. Michael is passionate about the importance of our work and is always looking for new ways to contribute. He is a member of the Education Advisory Committee and Immediate Past President.

We never stop supporting

280 volunteer foster carers provided care for 418 children

623 young people were supported through our outreach, case management, accommodation and sexual offenders programs

441 young people were involved in our education programs

We cared for 123 young people in residential care

For many of the children and young people who come to BSV, *"we are the end of the line"*. Our job is to *"hang in there"*, to do whatever is needed to ensure that the child or young person is as safe as possible, that they learn to trust and can then start to rebuild their lives.

A Right to Education

In our increasingly complex world, it is critical for young people to be equipped to manage their own lives and to have the skills and confidence to be able to work. The reality for too many of our children and young people is very different.

It is very difficult to learn when you come to school without breakfast.... when you don't know what state your mum will be in when you get home.... and when you move around a lot because you don't have stable housing.

While they may have been able to just *"get through"* in primary school, too many of our young people do not make the transition to secondary school, are excluded or drop out.

Although we had always done some educational work with young people in residential care, we took a quantum leap forward in 2003, when we established our own registered school, the BEST (Berry Street Victoria Education, School & Training) Centre. Housed in a factory in Noble Park, this is not an ordinary school. Each of the 25 young people enrolled has their own education plan and all the activities are designed to meet their specific needs. A day might begin with a bike ride, followed by some literacy work on the computer, a session working in the automotive area and then working on the School band's new CD. The students also cook and eat lunch together, a great way to learn new social skills.

Our aim at the BEST Centre is to help each student achieve a Year 10 pass. While this is not possible for all, two thirds of the young people have made significant gains in attendance, working with peers, self-esteem, taking direction and concentration.

The establishment of the BEST Centre would not have been possible without the wonderful support of the Felton Bequest.

children & young people

BEST@The Shed in Morwell became our second registered campus. The Shed is a hive of activity for the 30-40 young people who attend each week.

Through our partnership with local secondary schools, some of the students come to us for part of the week for specialised work. A number of "young mums" continue their education through the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning. Groups focussing on self-esteem and anger management are run in local schools and a special program for young Aboriginal boys (Future Dreaming) was developed with advice from the local Aboriginal community.

Going beyond the "classroom", our Wilderness Program in Gippsland challenges young people to re-think what they want out of life. After a demanding 7 day wilderness trip, we provide "reconnect" days and support for 2 years.

The program has been very successful with more than 80% of the young people having remained in school or found employment.

Sam's Story

Sam was 13 when he was referred to our Northern My Life program. Like a similar program in the Southern region, this outreach program works with young people with an intellectual disability who are at high risk.

Sam was initially referred because he was completely isolated, with no friends or day activities. His mother was depressed and also had an intellectual disability. She couldn't help Sam care for himself properly.

The first priority was to teach Sam how to look after his personal hygiene – to shower, wash his clothes and make his bed. His worker, Georgina, also taught him how to shop and connected him to State Trustees to manage his money and outstanding debts. He also joined a model steam train club.

Sam was also linked to a volunteer mentor so that he would have support when we stopped working with him.

Today Sam is unrecognisable from the "outcast" of 5 years ago.

we never stop trying for children & young people

Jenni's Story

Jenni was 14 when she was referred to our Southern Intensive Case Management Service. She had been placed in the Department of Human Services' Secure Welfare because of her very high risk behaviour, including substance abuse, a transient lifestyle and serious health issues. Jenni had only tenuous connections to her Aboriginal family and community, and had effectively given up on herself and did not trust anyone who tried to help her.

Through persistence, constantly demonstrating that Jenni was a worthwhile person and that there was hope, she started to trust her worker, Karl.

Karl arranged for Jenni to make contact with her father in South Australia and regularly transports Jenni and her grandmother to visit him.

Since Jenni has re-established a connection to her culture and family, her risk taking behaviour has dramatically reduced and her general health has improved. Although Karl has now finished working with Jenni, she contacts him whenever she needs support.

"Kids in the Kitchen"

Working full-time as a Financial Counsellor was not enough this year for Deb Thomson. With nothing better to do on a Tuesday night, other than to go home and cook for her family and put her feet up(!), she chose to volunteer her time to share her passion for cooking with young people in our Northern programs.

After five on a Tuesday is now a busy time at the Eltham office where our young people make connections with each other and together develop an interest in self-care and independent living skills. Deb has inspired other staff with creative skills and a strong sense of commitment to join her on a Tuesday evening. Deb and other staff are able to chat with the young people about financial management, social relationships, recreational and employment opportunities over chopping boards and hot stoves! The program has received great support from our corporate sponsors and from local businesses.

The success of the program was demonstrated on 20 June 2006 when BSV invited several corporate sponsors for lunch at Eltham. The young people, under the tutelage of Deb, Kellie and Gina prepared a three-course meal, decorated and laid every table immaculately and served at each table with impeccable presentation skills.

One of the participants, Sean Hanson from the RACV, wrote to the young people: "Nothing could prepare for the experience I had that day. Trying new things and taking unknown steps are some of the greatest things we do as human beings. Not only did the group at BSV embrace this unknown challenge... you did so with warmth and individuality and with a level of expertise that left most of the guests speechless".

Helping Children and Young People Recover from Abuse

In essence, this is the aim of all of BSV's work with children and young people. We believe that our kids have the right to a "normal" life – to have adults who care about them, to feel safe, to grow up physically and emotionally strong, to learn and have fun.

However we connect with a child or young person – through counselling, outreach and support, foster or residential care – we will do whatever we can to help the child or young person deal with the trauma of family violence, child abuse and neglect.

Our Take Two intensive therapeutic service has highlighted both the complexity of issues our kids face and the devastating impact of child abuse and neglect. More than 60% of the children and young people with whom we work have suffered 4 or 5 types of abuse and half have experienced six or more different placements.

To help the child or young person, we have to earn their trust, but also ensure, as far as possible, that the people who surround the child and the "system" work together.

Shona's Story

Shona was just two when she was referred to Take Two. Her mother, Katie, had been in care herself and had a background of family violence and sexual abuse. Shona's father was in jail for drug-related offences.

Because of Katie's addiction to heroin, Shona suffered "withdrawal" effects and was an irritable, sickly baby. This compounded Katie's inability to look after her as she wanted.

Shona had just been placed in foster care because of Katie's continuing drug use, her chaotic and itinerant lifestyle and her inability to provide a safe home for Shona.

An urgent priority was a thorough health assessment, as Shona had missed her vaccinations and had probable hearing loss. Work then focussed on helping her foster carer, Denise, to understand Shona's extreme behaviours, which included high-pitched screaming, biting, nightmares and smearing faeces. Play therapy was used to help Shona work through some of the trauma in her life, as well as to develop a relationship with Denise.

Although it is slow and very demanding for Denise, Shona is beginning to calm down and her behaviour is becoming less extreme. Our support will probably need to continue until she goes to school.

We never stop helping

1,940 women used our intake service to access information on how to keep themselves and their children safe

Our Victim's Assistance Program helped 83 women and children referred by the new Family Violence Court at Heidelberg

Emergency Relief and Financial Counselling advice was provided to 836 people

Our skilled counsellors helped 1,053 children, young peoples and their families

274 children used our Children's Contact Centre for access

We believe that, wherever possible, children should live with their families, enjoy school and be connected with their community.

Sadly, for many of the children with whom we work, this is not possible – because family violence, child abuse and neglect, mental health issues or substance abuse means that parents cannot provide a safe and secure home for their children.

In all our services, we try and connect children and young people to family members who can give them support and a sense of their roots.

In addition, we run a number of specific programs which help parents deal with conflict in their family, learn to be better parents and manage their children's access.

A new approach to Family Violence

BSV has benefited from the Victorian Government's commitment to respond more effectively to family violence. Following an exhaustive tender process, BSV leads a new partnership with Anglicare, Elizabeth Hoffman House and Women's Health in the North, to provide an expanded and more integrated response to family

violence. In addition to an information and referral service, crisis housing and children's program, women will also be able to receive support after hours, intensive case management, some assistance with rent and specialised counselling.

We are very excited about this development and especially our increased capacity to engage women from culturally and linguistically diverse and Aboriginal communities.

Keeping children connected

We all know how important it is for children to retain positive contact with parents who have separated or divorced. Sadly, there are too many situations where there is violence or the parents' relationship is so damaged that children need a safe place to have contact with their non-custodial parent.

Our Children's Contact Service in Watsonia provides a safe place where parents can collect their children, as well as supervised access where it is not safe for a child to be alone with their parent.

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Rose's Story

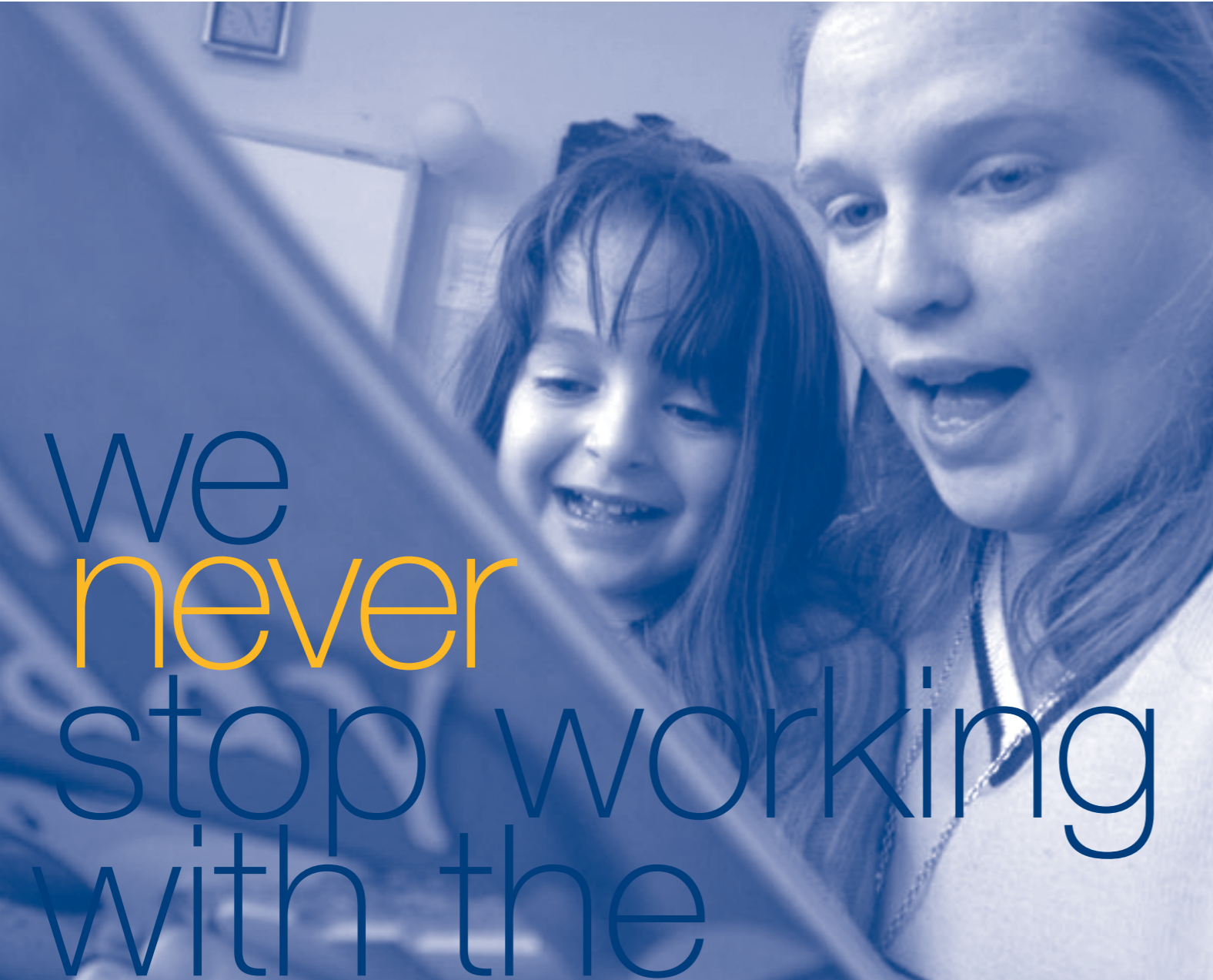
Rose's parents separated when her mother, Erma, was pregnant. Her father, Nestor, wanted to be involved with Rose, but major cultural and religious differences had resulted in a complete breakdown in communication between Nestor and Erma and her family.

After an application by Nestor, the Court ordered fortnightly access at our Contact Centre in Watsonia.

Our goal was to make access as positive as possible for Rose, who was just 4. Initially, Rose was quite hesitant with Nestor,

but with the support and encouragement of our skilled staff, she started to enjoy their time together. Although we tried to include Rose's grandmother, her constant criticism of Nestor was distressing to Rose and we had to ask her not to attend.

After several months of supervised access and changeovers, Erma could see how important Nestor was to Rose. They finally agreed on a plan which they could manage themselves – a very successful outcome.



we never stop working with the

One of our eight core beliefs is that *“Communities where people feel included and connected are better places for all of us”*. This belief influences the way we go about our daily work – in how we relate with and respect our clients and our work with colleagues in other organisations. It also explains our commitment to contributing to networks at local, State and national levels, to improve the system for our clients.

In Seymour, we secured funding from a number of different sources for innovative programs, which include:

- A Walking School Bus, which encourages children to walk together to school. As well as providing important physical exercise, families form new bonds of friendship.
- The Garden Blitz program provides work experience and training in gardening for young people. Projects are identified through the neighbourhood renewal program, so that the whole neighbourhood enjoys a better environment.
- BSV is taking the lead in bringing together all the key groups – Police, hospitals, schools, etc – to develop a community plan to improve the wellbeing of all young people in the area.
- Our Workforce Participation Partnership is working with long-term unemployed young people, identifying the barriers

to employment and then assisting them through training and work experience to find employment.

With the support of the Telstra Foundation, we finalised our ELF (Early Learning is Fun) resource kit. Community reading days were held – where children from local kindergartens and primary schools dress up as their favourite book character and are read to by volunteers and local businesses – were held in Alexandra, Yea and Seymour.

Following the successful pilot of the matched savings program, Saver Plus, the ANZ Bank substantially increased its financial support to BSV to enable us to provide financial literacy programs in our four main regions.

In Shepparton, we continued to strengthen our relationship with the Iraqi community, through the financial literacy program and with the help of the Department for Victorian Communities.



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Partnerships

BSV understands that it cannot achieve what it wants for our clients without the support of government, business and the community. While we appreciate State and Federal government funding, all of this – and more – must be spent on prescribed target groups in particular ways.

A key goal of our Strategic Plan is to increase our independent income. To do this, we rely on our individual supporters, groups, philanthropic trusts and foundations and business.

The RACV partnership continues to provide fantastic support for our programs, with this year's community partner funds directed towards a safe driving program for young people in BSV's care. In addition, RACV has provided:- driving lessons for young people across all regions; ticket donations to attractions for children and families; first aid kits for our residential units; promotion of our Christmas Appeal through RACV retail stores, as well as encouraging staff and customers to donate toys. RACV staff have been enthusiastic volunteers in the BSV Football Cup, Berry Merry Christmas gift packing, and ELF Reading Day.

We celebrated the 21st year of the annual BSV Football Cup on 14 July 2006, with Melbourne victorious over Richmond. Russell Robertson was awarded the BSV "Courage" medal.

In a unique partnership between Melbourne Football Club and Netball Victoria, senior players ran a weekly special physical education program for a group of 10 to 12 year olds. The excitement of the kids as they learned new skills was infectious.

Workplace Giving

Workplace Giving is a most cost effective way for BSV to increase our independent income. Some of the projects supported were our:- Wilderness Program; Youth Empowerment Project; Family & Domestic Violence Emergency Relief; and our Kids Kitchen cooking classes.

We value greatly our Workplace Giving Partners – Australian Communications Media Authority (ACMA), Allens Arthur Robinson, The Australian Ballet, ANZ, Ernst & Young, Freehills, Goldman Sachs JBWere and Shell.

The importance of Volunteers

Recognising the value which comes from more people understanding our work and the needs of our children, young people and families, BSV uses its own income to employ a volunteer co-ordinator. This means that we can ensure that volunteers get the most out of their contact with BSV.

We never stop aiming high



While Berry Street Victoria has three annual Awards to recognise outstanding contributions, this year it was especially pleasing to see external recognition for two of our Board members and two staff.

Board Members

Janine Kirk received an AM for service to the City of Melbourne through contribution to the identification, design and facilitation of projects to enhance the business, tourism, cultural and intellectual standing of the city, and to child welfare organisations. Janine also celebrated 10 years of service as a BSV Board member. **Bill Noonan** received an OAM for service to the transport industry, particularly through the development of road safety programs, and to the trade union movement.

Pat Clinton

It was wonderful to see **Pat Clinton's** fantastic contribution to residential care recognised at the Department of Human Services' annual Robin Clark Memorial Awards in September. Pat, who has been with BSV for 14 years and has lead the southern residential services team since 1998, was highly commended for "Making a Difference with Children, Young People and Families".

Lifelong Learner Award

Sandra Conrow received this Award from the Community Services and Health Industry Training Board for her commitment to education and learning. Sandra, a residential supervisor in Gippsland, was one of 16 finalists for this award.

Selina Sutherland Outstanding Volunteer Award

This Award, presented at our Annual Celebration, honours the memory of Selina Sutherland, whose voluntary contribution to child

welfare was exceptional. Two nominations were received and because both nominations were outstanding, the Award was presented jointly to **Lindi and Alan Luckman** and **John and the late Atita Ngatokorua**. Lindi and Alan have been carers in the Goulburn Valley for more than 15 years and have cared for over 70 children and young people. John and his late wife, Atita, are Cook Islanders and have provided a loving home for 15 young people. Tragically, Atita died in August 2005. John decided to leave work so that he could continue to care for the three boys in their care.

Deb Kearsey Outstanding Staff Award

This Award is presented to a staff member who exemplifies our BSV Values. Eight nominations were received from our staff and the Award was presented to **Trish Clarke**. Trish, the Co-ordinator of our Caregiver Publicity & Recruitment Unit in the Northern region, has been with BSV for over 10 years, and is admired and respected by her colleagues for her passion and commitment to foster care.

Life Membership

Life Membership is awarded by our Board to individuals or groups who have made an outstanding contribution to BSV. This year, Life Membership was presented to **Barbara Heine** and Medicare Australia – Centrepoin Branch.

Barb, and her late husband John, had decided to make a significant personal investment to support organisations working with children and young people. Sadly John passed away before they could put this into effect together. Barb decided to follow through on their plans and made the largest single donation ever received by BSV. Barb now plays a very active role in the BSV 'family'.

Although Medicare Australia – Centrepoin Branch only became involved with BSV a few years ago, their contribution has been exceptional. Their energetic and committed staff have held many fundraising events, including: a "winter soup day", "Christmas in July" and an "Oaks Day Racing Lunch". They also make goods to sell as well as collecting gifts and essential items for our clients.

Our Investment in Professional Development

While BSV is very fortunate to have the calibre of staff it has, the complexity of the work means that we must support them properly and ensure they have appropriate professional development.

BSV is a leader in this area. Training that we developed in Looking After Children, effective conflict management and for residential supervisors, has now been taken up by the wider sector.

Other highlights include:-

- **Supervision Course** – In conjunction with Dr Judith Gibbs from La Trobe University, we designed our own 4½ day supervision training course, which is mandatory for all of our 110 staff in supervisory positions.
- **Orientation Training for Residential Care Staff** – To ensure that our residential care staff are properly equipped to provide good quality care to the young people in residential care, we designed and developed a unique six day course which must be completed within three-six months of joining BSV. As far as we know, this is a first in Australia.

- **Diploma of Business Leadership** – Since its introduction in 2004/05, 80 managers and team leaders have now completed this six day qualification in management and leadership. This was part of our commitment to ensure all our managers and team leaders have the skills to manage their teams effectively.
- **Study Leave** – A record 73 staff took advantage of our Study Leave program, which provides up to five hours a week for approved study. 55% were studying for either Certificate IV Community Services Protective Care or a Diploma of Community Welfare and 45 % for a degree or post-graduate qualifications.
- **Advanced Driving Training** – 157 staff have now completed advanced driver training. Car accidents reduced by 32%, although our fleet increased by 17 cars.
- **A Learning Culture:**
 - More than 300 staff participated in over 400 different professional development activities, all strengthening our commitment to a learning culture.
 - 52 staff took up opportunities of secondment or internal promotion.
 - In partnership with two other organisations, we also secured funding from the Federal Government to develop a DVD which will help residential care staff better report and record information.

Thank You and Valé Stephanie

On 27 February 2006 we said farewell to **Stephanie Knapp**. Steph worked tirelessly for the many community causes with whom she was involved. In 1996 she was awarded the inaugural Selina Sutherland Award for an Outstanding Volunteer, in recognition of the decades of help she had given BSV. As a final gift, Steph left BSV a bequest in her Will – *thank you Steph*.

Discussion and Analysis of the Financial Statements

Information on Berry Street Victoria Inc Concise Financial Report

The discussion and analysis is provided to assist members in understanding the concise financial report.

The concise financial report is an extract from the full financial report for the year ended 30 June 2006. The financial statements, specific disclosures and other information included in the concise financial report are derived from and are consistent with the full financial report of Berry Street Victoria Inc. The concise financial report cannot be expected to provide as detailed an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and financing and investing activities of Berry Street Victoria Inc as the full financial report.

A copy of the full financial report and auditor's report is available free of charge, upon request.

Income Statement

The profit for the year ended 30 June 2006 is \$4.17 million, an increase of \$1.97 million on the previous year. The major items contributing to this result were:

Revenues:

- Government and other grants increased by \$3.10 million
- The profit from sale of properties was \$2.50 million
- Proceeds from bequests reduced by \$0.95 million

Expenses:

- Employee benefits expense increased by \$1.36 million. The number of staff employed by Berry Street Victoria increased by 21 to 441.
- Depreciation expense increased by \$0.35 million mainly due to an increase in the motor vehicle fleet and increased vehicle utilisation.
- Consultancy expenses increased by \$0.51 million representing fees paid to other community service organisations who partnered Berry Street Victoria in a number of projects.

Balance Sheet

Net Assets increased by \$4.17 million to \$21.37 million. The major changes were as follows:

- An increase in Trade and Other Receivables in Current Assets of \$5.41 million. This predominantly represents the balances due on settlement of two properties sold by Berry Street Victoria which will occur in December 2006.
- An increase in Other Financial Assets, in both Current and Non-Current Assets, of \$2.16 million representing the investment of funds received through the sale of assets. In addition, there was a re-allocation of investments from short term bank bills to longer term equity investments of \$2.79 million.
- A decrease in Property, Plant and Equipment of \$2.07 million due to the net reduction of two properties totalling \$2.7 million and an increase in motor vehicle assets of \$0.7 million.
- Short and long term borrowings increased by \$1.04 million representing an increase in finance lease liabilities used to fund part of the motor vehicle fleet.

Statement of Changes in Equity

Total equity increased by \$4.17 million due to the profit for the year. \$2.62 million was transferred from the Asset Revaluation Reserve to Retained Earnings, being the revaluation component on the properties sold in the year. This transfer did not impact on total equity.

Cash Flow Statement

There was a net decrease of \$2.27 million in cash holdings during the year. The major changes in cash movements during the year included the following:

- Cash generated through operating activities contributed \$3.85 million, due to: non-cash expenses, such as depreciation and increases in employee benefit provisions, totalling \$1.8 million and investment income, bequests and other charitable fund raisings totalling \$2.1 million.
- Expenditure on the purchase of property, plant and equipment, net of sale proceeds, cost \$2.4 million.
- The equity investment portfolio increased by \$4.8 million.

Borrowings (Finance leases for motor vehicles) increased by \$1.0 million.

Income Statement For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
Revenue from operating activities			
Government and other grants		28,395,032	25,596,093
Other revenue		687,783	384,435
Total revenue		29,082,815	25,980,528
Expenses from operating activities			
Employee benefits expense		(21,365,847)	(20,007,064)
Depreciation and amortisation		(1,668,805)	(1,314,056)
Finance costs		(96,985)	(87,815)
Doubtful debts		(57,976)	-
Repairs, maintenance and vehicle running expense		(1,458,013)	(1,381,721)
Client's expense		(1,027,438)	(959,016)
Fuel, light and power expense		(185,732)	(172,843)
Rental expense		(482,464)	(457,950)
Training expense		(743,520)	(821,095)
Audit, legal and consultancy expense		(813,296)	(305,062)
Administration expense		(1,213,737)	(989,730)
Other expense		(261,820)	(343,833)
Total expenses		(29,375,633)	(26,840,185)
Operating deficit		(292,818)	(859,657)
Revenue from non operating activities			
Gain on sale of non current assets		2,499,268	59,135
Loss on sale of investments		(78,902)	(116,099)
Charitable and fundraising revenue		485,632	502,998
Income from investments		1,223,148	1,015,495
Proceeds from bequests		402,149	1,356,232
Capital grants		23,577	369,603
Total non operating revenue		4,554,872	3,187,364
Expenses from non operating activities			
Assets written off		-	(504)
Property transaction costs		(24,461)	-
Fundraising expense		(70,535)	(126,236)
Total non operating expenditure		(94,996)	(126,740)
Non-operating surplus		4,459,876	3,060,624
Profit before income tax		4,167,058	2,200,967
Income tax expense		-	-
Profit after income tax		4,167,058	2,200,967

The accompanying notes form part of this concise financial report.

Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2006

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash assets	2	1,410,929	888,317
Trade and other receivables	3	5,892,581	483,659
Other financial assets	4	4,445,319	7,235,707
Other current assets	5	109,766	200,696
Total Current Assets		11,858,595	8,808,379
Non-Current Assets			
Other financial assets	4	6,975,847	2,024,050
Property, plant and equipment	6	11,730,218	13,853,899
Intangible asset	7	77,752	21,871
Total Non-Current Assets		18,783,817	15,899,820
Total Assets		30,642,412	24,708,199
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	8	6,438,621	5,803,947
Short term borrowings	9	775,011	641,444
Short term provisions		489,015	459,795
Total Current Liabilities		7,702,647	6,905,186
Non-Current Liabilities			
Long term borrowings	9	1,181,766	271,519
Long term provisions		390,346	330,900
Total Non-Current Liabilities		1,572,112	602,419
Total Liabilities		9,274,759	7,507,605
Net Assets		21,367,653	17,200,594
Equity			
Retained Earnings		19,902,211	13,115,228
Reserves		1,465,442	4,085,367
Total Equity		21,367,653	17,200,594

The accompanying notes form part of this concise financial report.

Statement of Changes in Equity
 For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

	Retained Earnings	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Total
Balance at 1 July 2004	10,914,261	1,546,707	12,460,968
Profit attributable to the entity	2,200,967		2,200,967
Revaluation increment		2,538,660	2,538,660
Balance at 30 June 2005	13,115,228	4,085,367	17,200,595
Profit attributable to the entity	4,167,058	-	4,167,058
Revaluation increment	2,619,925	(2,619,925)	-
Balance at 30 June 2006	19,902,211	1,465,442	21,367,653

The accompanying notes form part of this concise financial report.

Cashflow Statement
 For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

	Notes	2006 \$	2005 \$
Cash Flow From Operating Activities			
Receipts from operating activities		31,301,491	28,967,286
Interest received		383,684	369,967
Dividends received		442,586	377,807
Franking credits received		155,796	217,901
Payments to suppliers and employees		(28,336,859)	(26,855,861)
Finance costs		(96,985)	(87,815)
Net cash generated from operating activities	10(b)	3,849,713	2,989,285
Cash Flow From Investing Activities			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		2,648,570	1,579,222
Payment for property, plant and equipment		(5,020,257)	(3,291,106)
Proceeds from sale of investments		1,189,701	2,681,034
Payment for investments		(5,979,318)	(2,376,767)
Net cash used in investing activities		(7,161,304)	(1,407,617)
Cash Flow From Financing Activities			
Repayment of motor vehicle lease commitments		(822,902)	(726,862)
Increase in motor vehicle lease commitments		1,866,717	362,308
Net cash generated from (used in) financing activities		1,043,819	(364,554)
Net (decrease) increase in cash held		(2,267,776)	1,217,114
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		8,124,024	6,906,910
Cash at the end of the financial year	10(a)	5,856,248	8,124,024

The accompanying notes form part of this concise financial report.

Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 to the directors of Berry Street Victoria Inc

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2006 there has been:

- (i) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review, and
- (ii) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.



Moore Stephens
 Chartered Accountants



Grant Sincock
 Partner

Melbourne, 12 September 2006

Notes to the Concise Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

Note 1: Statement Of Significant Accounting Policies

The concise financial report is an extract of the full financial report for the year ended 30 June 2006. The concise financial report has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports, and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act of Victoria 1981.

The information contained in the concise financial report has been derived from the full financial 2006 Financial Report of Berry Street Victoria Inc. The financial statements, specific disclosures and other information included in the concise financial report are derived from and are consistent with the full financial report of Berry Street Victoria Inc. The concise financial report cannot be expected to provide as detailed an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and financing and investing activities of Berry Street Victoria Inc as the full financial report.

The financial report is for Berry Street Victoria Inc. as an individual entity. Berry Street Victoria Inc. is an association incorporated in Victoria under the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 and domiciled in Australia.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs. It 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.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the association in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

The presentation currency used in this concise financial report is Australian dollars.

(a) First Time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) from 1 July 2005.

In accordance with the requirements of AASB 1: First-time Adoption of Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards, adjustments to the association's accounts resulting from the introduction of AIFRS have been applied retrospectively to 2004 comparative figures, excluding cases where optional exemptions available under AASB 1 have been applied. These accounts are the first financial statements of Berry Street Victoria Inc to be prepared in accordance with AIFRS.

The accounting policies set out below have been consistently applied to all years presented.

Note 2 of the full financial report includes details of the adjustments made on transition to AIFRS. The retrospective adjustments required were to reclassify provisions for annual leave as accruals and software as an intangible asset.

(b) Property

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

Property

Where the association has a right to the economic benefit flowing from the asset, freehold land and buildings are measured on the fair value basis, being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

It is the policy of the association to have an independent valuation every three years. An independent valuation of land and buildings was performed by Goulburn Valley Property Services, Burnham Corporation and CJA Lee & Associates in 2004, whereby assets were revalued to market value.

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

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are credited to a revaluation reserve in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged against fair value reserves directly in equity; all other decreases are charged to the Income Statement. Each year the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset charged to the Income Statement and depreciation based on the asset's original cost is transferred from the revaluation reserve to retained earnings.

Depreciation

The depreciable amounts of all fixed assets are depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset was held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

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

Class of fixed asset	Depreciation basis	Depreciation Basis
Buildings	3.33%	Reducing Balance
Building Improvements	10%	Straight Line
Motor Vehicles		
Leased	50%	Straight Line over the life of the lease
Owned	33.33-100%	Straight Line
Furniture and Fittings	15% - 25%	Straight Line
Computer Equipment	33.33%	Straight Line

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

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

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

Notes to the Concise Financial Report For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

(c) Leases

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to the association are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised, recording an asset and a liability equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives where it is likely that the association will obtain ownership of the asset. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the period in which they are incurred.

(d) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to Balance Sheet date. Employee benefits expected to be settled within one year together with benefits arising from wages, salaries and annual leave which may be settled after 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 net present value using the 5 year bond rate of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits.

Contributions are made by the association to an employee superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the Cashflow Statement, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, at banks and on deposit including investments in bank bills.

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

(f) Revenue

Revenue received from government agencies, fundraising and other grant income sources is recognised on an accruals basis when the right to receive has been established.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Dividend revenue is recognised when the dividend has been received.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service.

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

(g) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the 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 expense. Receivables and payables in the Balance Sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

(h) Unexpended Grants

The association receives grant monies to fund projects either for contracted periods of time or for specific projects irrespective of the period of time required to complete those projects. It is the policy of the association to treat grants monies as unexpended grants in the Balance Sheet where the association is contractually obliged to provide the services in a subsequent financial period to when the grant is received or in the case of specific project grants where the project has not been completed.

(i) Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(j) Financial Instruments

Financial instruments are initially measured at cost on trade date, which includes transaction costs, when the related contractual rights or obligations exist. Subsequent to initial recognition these instruments are measured as set out below.

Financial assets at fair value through the Income Statement

A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term or if so designated by management and within the requirements of AASB 139: Recognition and Measurement of Financial Instruments. Realised and unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of these assets are included in the Income Statement in the period in which they arise.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Held-to-maturity investments

These investments have fixed maturities, and it is the association's intention to hold these investments to maturity. Any held-to-maturity investments held by the association are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets include any financial assets not included in the above categories. Available-for-sale financial assets are reflected at fair value. Unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are taken directly to equity.

Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities are recognised at amortised cost, comprising original debt less principal payments and amortisation.

Fair value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

Notes to the Concise Financial Report
 For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

Impairment

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

(k) Impairment of Assets

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

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

(l) Intangibles

Software
 Software is recorded at cost. Software has a finite life and is carried at cost less any accumulated amortisation. It has an estimated useful life of between one and two years. It is assessed annually for impairment.

(m) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or

constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

(n) Comparative Figures

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

(o) Key estimates and judgements

Key estimates — Impairment

The association assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the association that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Value-in-use calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

Key judgments — Doubtful debts provision

Included in Trade and other receivables at 30 June 2006 is an amount receivable from motor vehicle sales made to Auto Auctions Group during the current financial year amounting to \$57,976. Auto Auctions Group is in receivership and a doubtful debt provision has been made for \$57,976 at 30 June 2006..

(p) Economic Dependence

Berry Street Victoria is dependent on the Department of Human Services for the majority of its revenue used to operate the business. At the date of this report the Board of Directors has no reason to believe the Department will not continue to support Berry Street Victoria.

Notes to the Concise Financial Report
 For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Note 2: Cash Assets		
Cash at bank	1,388,513	863,982
Cash on hand	22,416	24,335
	1,410,929	888,317

Note 3: Trade And Other Receivables

Current		
Trade Receivables	426,849	250,998
Other Receivables	5,523,708	232,661
Provision for Doubtful Debts	(57,976)	-
	5,892,581	483,659

Other receivables include balances due on the sale of two properties where settlement will occur in December 2006

Note 4: Other Financial Assets

Current		
Market Value of Financial Assets		
Bank Bills	4,445,319	7,197,707
Vendor Mortgage	-	38,000
	4,445,319	7,235,707
Non-Current		
Market value of financial assets in listed corporations		
Securities	6,975,847	2,024,050
	6,975,847	2,024,050

Notes to the Concise Financial Report
 For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Note 5: Other Assets		
Current		
Accrued Income	23,065	33,903
Prepayments	86,701	166,793
	109,766	200,696

Note 6: Property, Plant And Equipment

Land and buildings		
Freehold land:		
At cost	3,630,000	5,453,922
Total land	3,630,000	5,453,922
Buildings:		
At cost	3,481,350	4,291,915
Less accumulated depreciation	(116,989)	(15,921)
Total buildings	3,364,361	4,275,994
Total land and buildings	6,994,361	9,729,916
Furniture, Fittings And Motor Vehicles		
At cost	7,073,601	5,808,673
Less accumulated depreciation	(2,337,744)	(1,684,690)
Total furniture, equipment and motor vehicles	4,735,857	4,123,983
Total Property, Plant And Equipment	11,730,218	13,853,899

Movements in Carrying Amounts

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

	Land and Buildings \$	Motor Vehicles \$	Furniture and Equipment \$	Total \$
2006				
Balance at the beginning of the year	9,729,916	3,374,391	698,577	13,802,884
Additions	1,624,435	2,986,047	329,365	4,939,847
Disposals	(1,589,912)	(1,209,415)	-	(2,799,327)
Revaluation increment	(2,619,925)	-	-	(2,619,925)
Depreciation expense	(150,153)	(1,106,888)	(336,220)	(1,593,261)
Carrying amount at end of year	6,994,361	4,044,135	691,722	11,730,218

Note 7: Intangible Asset

Cost	153,296	72,886
Accumulated amortisation	(75,544)	(51,015)
Accumulated Impairment	-	-
Net carrying value	77,752	21,871

Note 8: Trade And Other Payables

Current		
Trade payables	214,808	141,479
Deferred income	3,680,142	3,265,174
Other current payables	1,317,958	1,240,896
Accrued annual leave	1,225,713	1,156,398
	6,438,621	5,803,947

Note 9: Borrowings

Current		
Lease liabilities	775,011	641,444
Non-Current		
Lease liabilities	1,181,766	271,519
	1,956,777	912,963

Notes to the Concise Financial Report
 For the Year Ended 30 June 2006

Independent Audit Report
 To the Members of Berry Street Victoria Inc

	2006 \$	2005 \$
Note 10: Cash Flow Information		
(a) Reconciliation of cash		
Cash at bank	1,388,513	863,982
Other cash	22,416	24,335
	1,410,929	888,317
Investment in bank bills	4,445,319	7,235,707
	5,856,248	8,124,024
(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit after income tax		
Profit from after income tax	4,167,058	2,200,967
Non cash flows		
Depreciation and amortisation	1,668,805	1,314,056
Gain on realisation of assets	(2,499,268)	131,445
Furniture and equipment written off		504
Unrealised surplus on investments	(241,082)	(49,820)
Loss on sale of investments	78,902	116,099
Changes to provisions	88,667	91,290
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Increase in receivable and other assets	(48,042)	(218,296)
Increase in trade and other payables	634,673	(596,960)
Cash flows provided by operating activities	3,849,713	2,989,285
(c) Non-cash financing and investing activities		
No non-cash financing activities occurred as at 30 June 2006.		
(d) Credit stand-by arrangement and loan facilities		
There were no credit stand by arrangements or loan facilities at 30 June 2006.		

Note 11: Subsequent Events

Since the end of the financial year the association is not aware of any events that may have a bearing on the presentation and disclosure of the financial statements as at 30 June 2006.

Note 12: Association Details

The registered office and principal place of business of the entity is:
 Berry Street Victoria Inc
 1 Berry Street
 EAST MELBOURNE 3002

Note 13: Segment Reporting

The entity operates predominantly in one business and geographical segment, being in the provision of services in the child welfare sector in Victoria.

Directors' Declaration

In the opinion of the Board of Directors the financial report :

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Berry Street Victoria Inc as at 30 June 2006 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, mandatory professional reporting requirements and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Berry Street Victoria Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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



Mary Clark
 President



Russell Incoll
 Chairperson of the Finance Committee

Dated this Nineteenth day of September 2006

Scope

We have audited the concise financial report of Berry Street Victoria Inc for the financial year ended 30 June 2006 being the Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity, Cash Flow Statement, notes to the concise financial report and the Directors' Declaration in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the entity. The entity's directors are responsible for the concise financial report.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the concise financial report is free of material misstatement. We have also performed an independent audit of the full financial report of Berry Street Victoria Inc for the year ended 30 June 2006. Our audit report on the full financial report was signed on 19 September 2006, and was not subject to any qualification.

Our procedures in respect of the audit of the concise financial report included testing that the information in the concise financial report is consistent with the full financial report, and examination on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts, discussion and analysis, and other disclosures which were not directly derived from the full financial report. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the concise financial report is presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the concise financial report of Berry Street Victoria Inc complies with Accounting Standard AASB 1039: Concise Financial Reports.



Moore Stephens
 Chartered Accountants



Grant Sincock
 Partner

Melbourne, 19 September 2006

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Bequests

Elizabeth Maude Baker
Thelma Harvey
Frederick Hodge
Douglas Robert Jane
Thomas Herbert Kellock
Beatrice L Lee
Iris Leonie Polley
Lucy Ruth Sambell

Sir Andrew & Lady Fairley Foundation
Sunshine Foundation
T & L Cowell Memorial Estate
Taylor Estate
Telstra Foundation
The Andrews Foundation
The Baker Foundation
The Barnes Bequest
The Cass Foundation Limited
The Ian Potter Foundation
The Jack Brockhoff Foundation
The M J Sutton Estate
The Michael and Andrew Buxton Foundation
The Walter & Eliza Hall Trust
The William Angliss Charitable Fund
Thomas Daley of Blackwood Fund
Walter Campbell Memorial Trust
WCF Thomas Charitable Trust
William Arthur Shipperlee Trust

Groups & Individuals

Acacia Trefoil Girl Guides
Alexandra and District Open Gardens
Alexandra and Thornton/Eildon Football & Netball Clubs
Alexandra Dance Discovery Group
Altona Woodworkers' Club
Apex Club of Shepparton
Arden Crescent Concert Series
Australia Drug Foundation
Banyule Support & Information Centre
Barbara Heine
BSV Masonic Support Group
BSV Young Visionaries Group
Brian Watson & Edwina LeMaistre
Brighton Rotary Club
Brivis Australia
Bruce Heymanson
Brunswick United Lodge No 924
Camberwell Charity Christmas Card Shop
Christ Church Guild
Combined Charities
Christmas Shop
Community Link
Continuing Education & Arts Centre of Alexandra
CWA Craft Group
CWA of Alexandra Redgate
CWA of Moorooduc
CWA - Murrumbena
CWA of Noble Park
CWA of Orbost
CWA of Pyramid Hill
CWA of Woorayl
CWA of Yea
Dance Energy Social Club
Diamond Valley Swimming Club
EDP Social Club
Eildon & District
Woodworkers Guild
Eildon Boat Club

Elders Yea
Ethnic Council of Shepparton & District Inc
Greek Elderly Citizens of Manningham
Guardians 1991 No. Six Masters Group
Howard Chant
Indigenous Family Violence Regional Action Group
Jacinta Beischer
Jil Toovey
Jump Start
Kiwanis Club of Mooroopna
Knitting for the Needy
Kyabram Community & Learning Centre
Lilydale & Yarra Valley Netball Assoc
Lindenow Lions Club
Lioness Club of Maffra
Lions Club of Alexandra
Lions Club of Briagolong and District
Lions Club of Broadford
Lions Club of Carnegie
Lions Club of Eildon
Lions Club of Kilmore
Lions Club of Lakes Entrance
Lions Club of Lindenow
Lions Club of Mordialloc
Lions Club of Neerim & District
Lions Club of Noble Park/Keysborough
Lions Club of Oakleigh
Lions Club of Paynesville
Lions Club of Rosedale
Lions Club of Sandringham
Lions Club of Shepparton
Lions Club of Stratford
Lions Club of Tatura
Lions Club of Tongala
Lions Club of Trafalgar
Lions Club of Warragul
Lions Club of Yarram
Malvern Presbyterian Women's Club
Magistrates Court of Ringwood
Magistrates Court of Shepparton
Magistrates Court of Victoria
MCC Bowls Section
Melbourne Theosophical Society
Mike Dalmau
Mitchell Community Health Service
Mooroopna Community Centre
Mooroopna Education and Activity Centre
Mooroopna Fire Brigade
Mooroopna Football Club
Mooroopna Kiwanis
Mooroopna Police
Nillumbik Community Church
Northcote Associates Golf Club
North Balwyn Uniting Church
Friendship Group

North Shepparton Community & Learning Centre
Northern Masonic Widows Association
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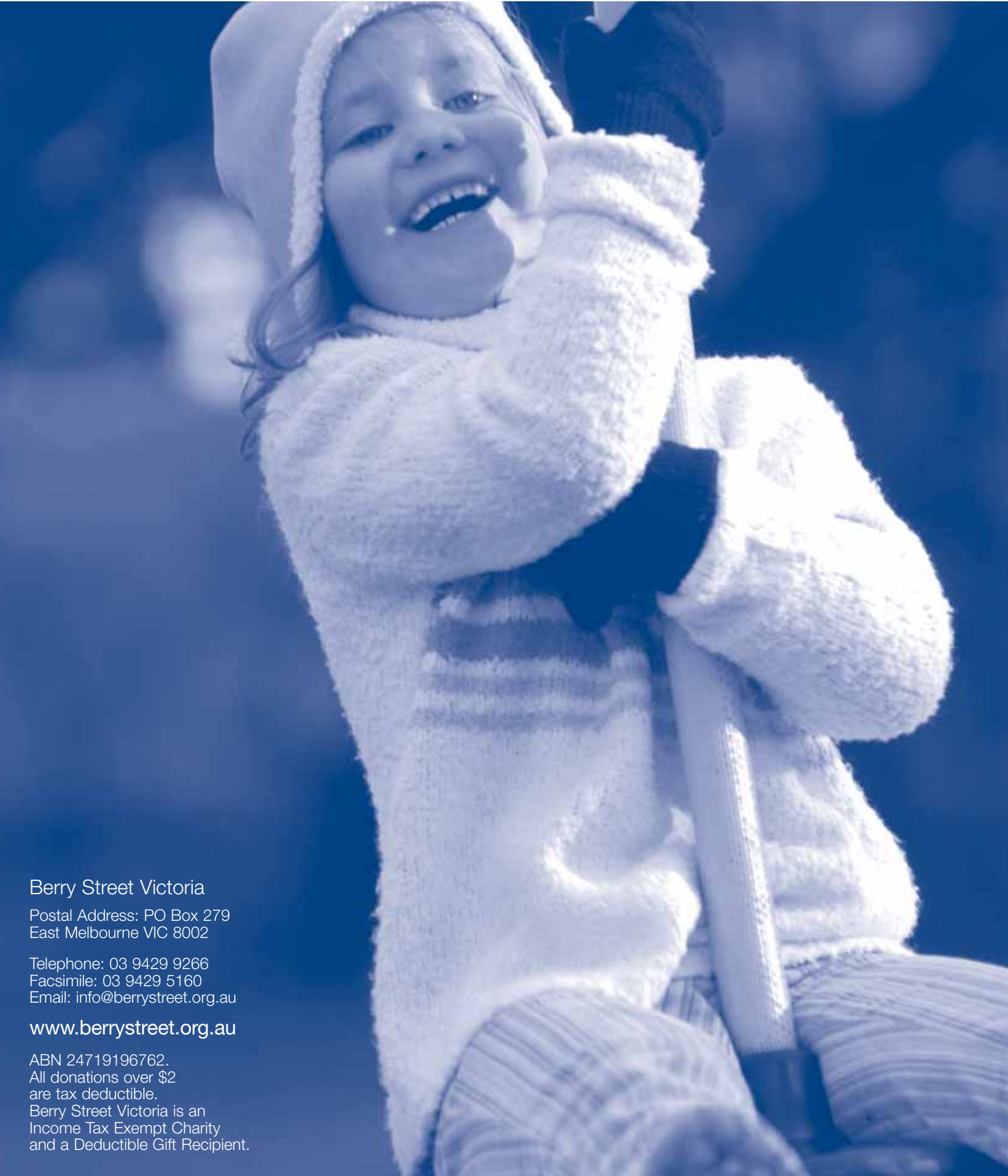
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