



ANNUAL SUMMARY 2022-23

ANOTHER YEAR OF CHALLENGES....

Emerging from the challenges of 2021/22, and the pandemic in particular, Shepparton Community Share (SCS) planned to regroup and re-align collective plans and actions, when the Goulburn Valley was rocked by a major flooding event in October 2022.

SCS member agencies again adapted to react and respond to local community needs for immediate support and ongoing recovery plans. Whilst this meant scaling back or postponing SCS collective plans and actions, our underlying strategies were maintained through 2022/23, and our long-standing and trusted SCS relationships enabled pro-active networking and information sharing, facilitating collaborative review, planning and decision-making.

During the flood recovery phase, SCS was able to actively advocate for clients and the community sector; one of our key strategic goals. All of the SCS agencies participated in service delivery through the Goulburn Flood Recovery Service.

The challenges of 2022/23 also created an opportunity for SCS to review our key focus areas and strategic priorities.

Going into the final year of SCS 2021-24 Strategic Plan, the impacts of climate on our communities and leadership for the future have assumed a greater relevance and a higher priority for our collective efforts.

CONTACT US:

Melinda Lawley CEO	Trish Quibell CEO	David Tennant CEO	Jacinta Russell CEO
(03) 5831 2390	(03) 5823 3200	(03) 5823 7000	(03) 5821 2466

PROGRESS AGAINST OUR PLAN....

INNOVATION



- ◆ Climate and Health has become a more prominent strategic issue following the 2022 Goulburn Valley flood event
- ◆ Agreed to collectively focus on flood and heat as key issues directly impacting local communities
- ◆ Opportunity to participate in research on the impact of climate change on vulnerable populations

COLLABORATION



- ◆ Updated and renewed SCS Members' Agreement
- ◆ Pro-actively sharing information to facilitate collaborative planning and decision-making;
 - ◆ Policies & procedures
 - ◆ Position descriptions
 - ◆ Data/statistics
 - ◆ Audit results
- ◆ New partners identified and relationships progressing - potential joint projects proposed
- ◆ Shared human resources amongst agencies
- ◆ Participation in the Goulburn Flood Recovery Service

“Whilst the four SCS member agencies serve different client groups, the 2022 flood event has enabled a collective focus on the impact of climate factors for vulnerable groups and the role SCS can play going forward.”

Tricia Quibell

CEO

Primary Care Connect

“As agencies develop their services and programs amid ever-changing social needs and legislative requirements, the opportunity to share information through trusted SCS relationships is invaluable.”

Jacinta Russell

CEO

Connect GV

BUILD CAPACITY



- ◆ Maintained joint training opportunities and programs
- ◆ Focussed on designing a collective model for leadership development program for middle and incoming leaders, in discussion with potential local partners
- ◆ Reset cross agency network for HR Managers
- ◆ Paid internship program for Social Workers maintained
- ◆ Continue to liaise with local universities to implement internship opportunities for disciplines other than Social Work
- ◆ Work experience program proposal in discussion

ADVOCACY



- ◆ Contributed to Committee for Greater Shepparton Flood [Review](#)
- ◆ Contributed to Greater Shepparton's 2022 Victorian Government election priorities [document](#)
- ◆ General advocacy from the Goulburn Flood Recovery Service
- ◆ Redesign of SCS Webpage



“Whilst SCS has maintained our focus on building capacity, we are now focussed on current and future leaders and developing a program and pathways to support them to be able to lead our sector into the future.”

Melinda Lawley

CEO

TBYS

“SCS is committed to being a trusted and local voice for the sector and the 2022 flood event highlighted the relevance and value of a collective voice to advocate for our communities.”

David Tennant

CEO

FamilyCare