

Co-Convenors' Report to Annual General Meeting 18 October 2016

2016 in Review

2016 has seen the Bringing Them Home Committee achieve some significant milestones as we continue our focus on actively developing options for Healing.

We do, however, continue to advocate for the Stolen Generations wherever the opportunity arises and our media presence and profile is continuing to increase with forthcoming programs on ABC's 7.30 Report and NITV Program Noongar Danjoo

2016 Highlights

Our key highlights over the past year include:

- Securing the symbolically significant office of AO Neville as our Hub
- Healing Centre Model Development Business Model, Healing Camps, Mission Sites
- Sorry Day 26th May 2016
- Advocacy for the Stolen Generations Royal Commission into Sexual Abuse, Healing Foundation, Commonwealth and State Government, Media Opportunities
- Governance Yokai: Healing Our Spirit, WASGAC

57 Murray Street

 During the past year we have secured a peppercorn lease from Curtin University for the former office of AO Neville in the Curtin University Law School Building





The Hub: 57 Murray Street



Healing Centre Model

We secured funding from the Healing Foundation to develop a Business Model for Healing in WA. This included funding for some Healing Camps involving Stolen Generations survivors.

Both of these projects provided us the opportunity to consult with Stolen Generations people and their families and other stakeholders such as Service Providers.

Healing Centre Model (Cont'd)

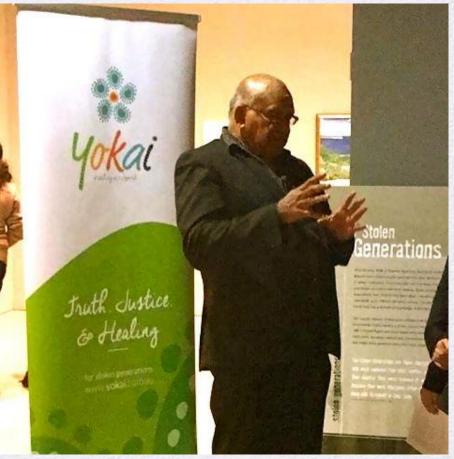
 The Business Model is now complete and the first round of Healing Camps have been held. We have used the learning from those projects to establish a community controlled, integrated and holistic healing plan and we are seeking funding from Commonwealth and State Government sources and through partnership with the Corporate and Community Sectors to set up this Healing Model in WA with an initial focus on Noongar Country

Yokai Launch

Yokai: Healing Our Spirit was formally launched at a community event at the offices of the Aboriginal Alcohol and Drug Service in May 2016 on the 20th Anniversary of the tragic death of Rob Riley. Members of Rob Riley's family plus many Aboriginal and Community Leaders attended the event.

Yokai: Healing our Spirit





Mission sites





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Sorry Day 2016



2016 Sorry Day Planning Committee:

Sorry Day continues to be coordinated by a Planning Committee comprising representatives from organisations such as:

Reconciliation WA, Catholic Education Office, Caritas, Follow the Dream, Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME), ICEA, Dept of Education and AISWA/Future Footprints

Sponsorship was provided by:

Lotterywest, Wesfarmers, City of Perth...

Advocacy

Jim Morrison has been active through the year as an advocate for the Stolen Generations. In particular, he has made presentations about the work of BTHWA and Yokai at a range of events:

Submission and Presentation to the Royal Commission into Child Sexual Abuse

Presentation to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Nigel Scullion

Presentation to the Forgotten Australians Conference in Sydney, September 2016

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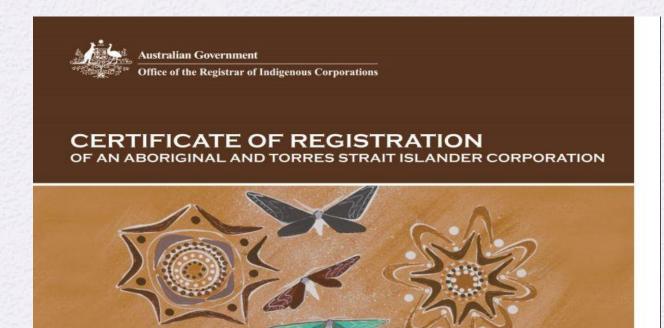


Governance

We have formalised the governance arrangements for the WA Stolen Generations Alliance through the establishment of the WA Stolen Generations Aboriginal Incorporation under Commonwealth legislation (ORIC). This organisation will operate independently of the Bringing Them Home Committee although some of the Directors are also members of BTHWA.

We have also registered Yokai: Healing Our Spirit as a Business Name and have established a separate website for this initiative, which will be managed by the General Committee of BTHWA

WASGAC is now Registered!



This is to record that

WEST AUSTRALIAN STOLEN GENERATIONS ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

INDIGENOUS CORPORATION NUMBER: 8473

is a corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006.

The date of registration is 06 September 2016

