

Annual Report 2021/22



Recognition and Commitment

We recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People as the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work and acknowledge that sovereignty of the land we call Australia has never been ceded. We commit to listening to and learning from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people about how we can better reflect Indigenous ways of being and knowing in our work.

CAHA is on its own journey to best understand how we can bring this commitment to life. We have taken a few initial steps and are pleased to welcome more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations to CAHA in the last year. We have much listening and learning to do as part of our journey.

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President's Report

Hope and cope spring to mind this year. Hope arising from the incoming federal government's commitment to a national strategy for health and climate change within a funded national health sustainability and climate unit.

As our new CEO Roland Sapsford eloquently states: "our federal parliament has now joined our health sector in championing action to protect Australians' health from climate change!" This is a big win and an overdue injection of hope for CAHA, our members and the health sector. Cope acknowledges our communities enduring the cascading and ubiquitous impacts of climate change, particularly the floods inundating Australia's eastern seaboard.

With climate momentum building, especially ahead of the 2022 federal election, our CAHA management and staff team have been incredibly busy this year. Two highlights come to mind: our refreshed framework for a national strategy on climate, health and wellbeing was released, creating our best opportunity yet to unite the health sector on a climate plan. In partnership with the Lowitja Institute and the National Health Leadership Forum, we supported the first *Climate Change and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Roundtable* to amplify the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers, researchers, scientists and leaders on climate change and justice.

So, that was a success! A huge congratulations to Roland, Fiona and the entire team for their leadership, dedication, and commitment to driving change via our Alliance. Notwithstanding the critical and ongoing support of our Members, Friends of CAHA, volunteers, expert advisors and donors/funders. You keep us going, thank you!

A warm appreciation to all members of the CAHA Board – a highly competent and committed group of people who are focused on driving the strategic and governance priorities in CAHA's second decade. Unfortunately our President Michael Wheelan had to go on extended leave earlier in the year and we all wish him and his family the very best. Amanda Adrian (a past CAHA President) and myself (Immediate Past President) stepped back up to ensure continuity (and because CAHA is in our DNA!). It turned out to be a wonderful opportunity to work closely with Roland Sapsford, our new CEO, in his first year at CAHA. Indeed, I am very grateful to all Board members and CAHA management team for banding together, particularly this year. A reluctant goodbye to Dr Jo Walker (AHPA organisational rep), Secretary and Chair of CAHA Research and Policy Committee as well as Ingrid Johnston (PHAA organisational rep) and former Secretary. We look forward to welcoming our incoming Board members and continuing the important work of the Alliance in this new, hope-generating policy context.

Best wishes,

Dr Rebecca Patrick

(Acting) President/Chair Climate and Health Alliance

Organisational representative/delegate,
Health Nature Sustainability Research Group,
Deakin University



Chief Executive's Report

For me, one word summarises my six months as full-time CEO: transition.

Globally we are in transition to a world where many more nations are regularly experiencing the impact of a changing climate. With this comes a growing emphasis on climate and health, bringing together the planetary and the personal dimensions of climate change.

Here on the continent we call Australia, we have seen a long overdue transition in approach to the climate crisis at the Commonwealth level. Among many laudable changes, initial work on a National Health and Climate Strategy and creating a National Health Sustainability and Climate Unit has begun. CAHA's decade-long role in championing such a strategy was acknowledged in the funding announcement.

With federal leadership, a burst of pent up energy for climate action is coming from state and territory governments, institutions and business. This interest is also reflected in our rapidly growing membership.

This combination of factors represents a welcome step change for CAHA's work – and also a significant challenge. Our resources are growing more slowly than the blossoming interest in our work. These increased demands are driving a more systematic approach to work planning and basic administrative functions, and a heavier emphasis on fundraising. The benefits of this work will take some months to become fully apparent.

Within CAHA our leadership team is in transition. The extraordinary Fiona Armstrong, Founder and Strategic Projects Director, and I are a solid team and settling into our new roles. We are both deeply grateful to the extraordinary team of people who work and volunteer for CAHA. Both within the office and at Board level we are seeing a healthy

level of turnover as people move on to new opportunities; I want to record my appreciation and well wishes to all those people for their time at CAHA and wish them well for the future.

I also want to record my gratitude to our departing President Michael Wheelahan who did much to make me feel welcome when I first arrived in my role. He had to step away from an active role for family reasons. I wish him and his family most well for the future. In his stead, two experienced Board members, Rebecca Patrick and Amanda Adrian have stepped up to share the work of President in an Acting capacity. Their experience and their willingness to take on this unexpected extra work has been a vital part of my orientation as a new CEO. I acknowledge and appreciate both their ongoing support for me as CEO and their willingness to fill an essential role in the organisation over the last few months.

We live in a time when the world desperately needs collaboration, cooperation and kindness. CAHA's success rests on the support and engagement of our members, now comprising around 100 organisations and 200 individuals. So much of our work is collaborative and so many of our achievements are the fruits of these joint labours. CAHA's work is an example of what is possible when we listen and learn from each other, and act with a sense of shared purpose.

One thing is certain: by the time of the next annual report our work and our world will have changed in ways we cannot now predict. Thank you to our staff, our volunteers, our Board, our Members and our wider supporters for your ongoing commitment and energy. Together we will deliver lasting benefits for our climate and our health!

Roland Sapsford
Chief Executive Officer

The **Climate and Health Alliance** (CAHA) is widely recognised as the national peak body, and a leading non-government organisation (NGO) working on climate change and health in Australia. Almost 100 organisations were members of CAHA as of June 2022: national professional associations (representing practitioners of public health, medicine, nursing, midwifery, health promotion, psychology, social work, and rural health), along with unions, peak health bodies, healthcare service providers, leading research and academic institutions, and health consumer networks.

About

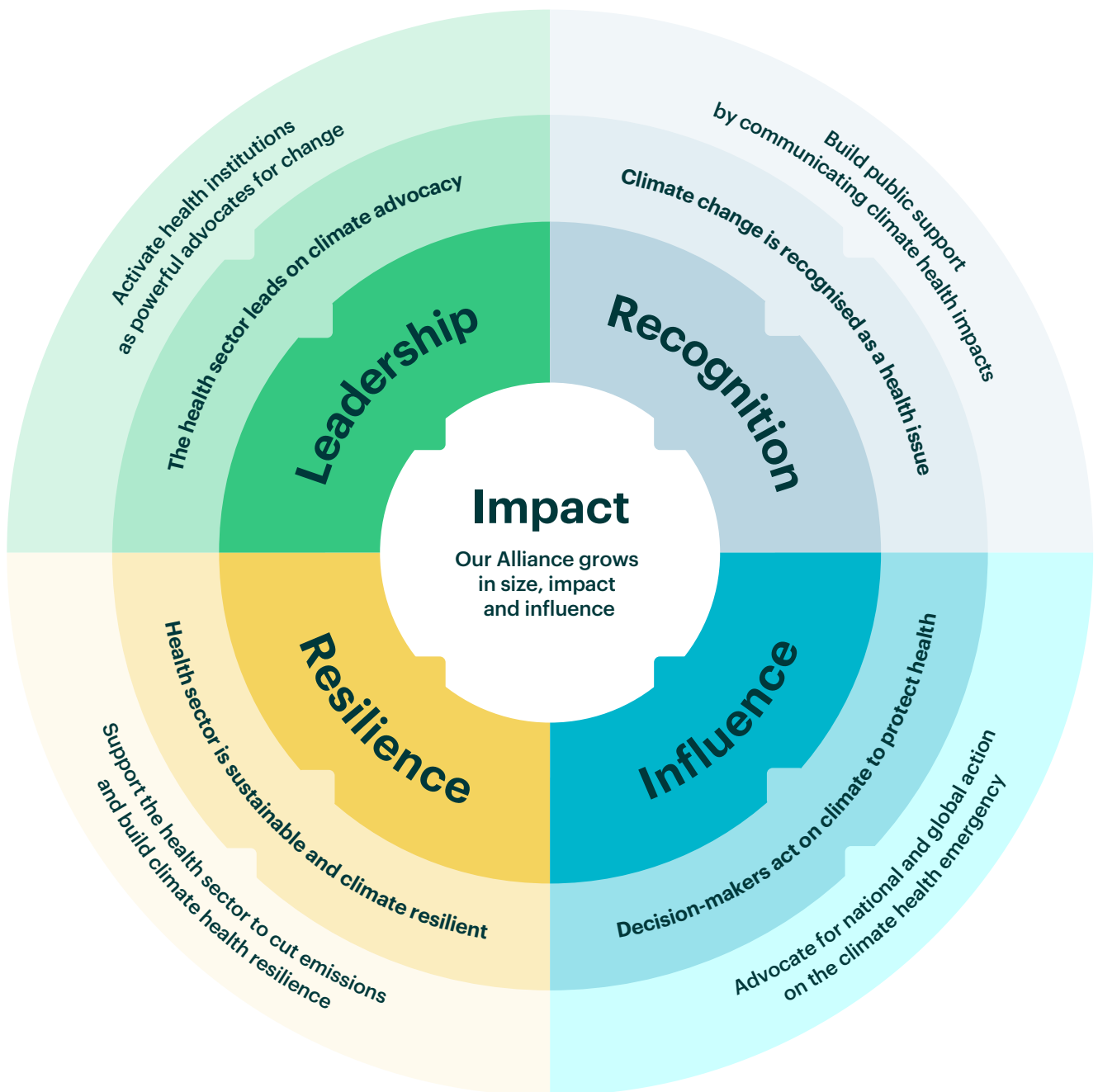
Mission

CAHA's mission is to build a powerful health sector movement for climate action and sustainable healthcare.

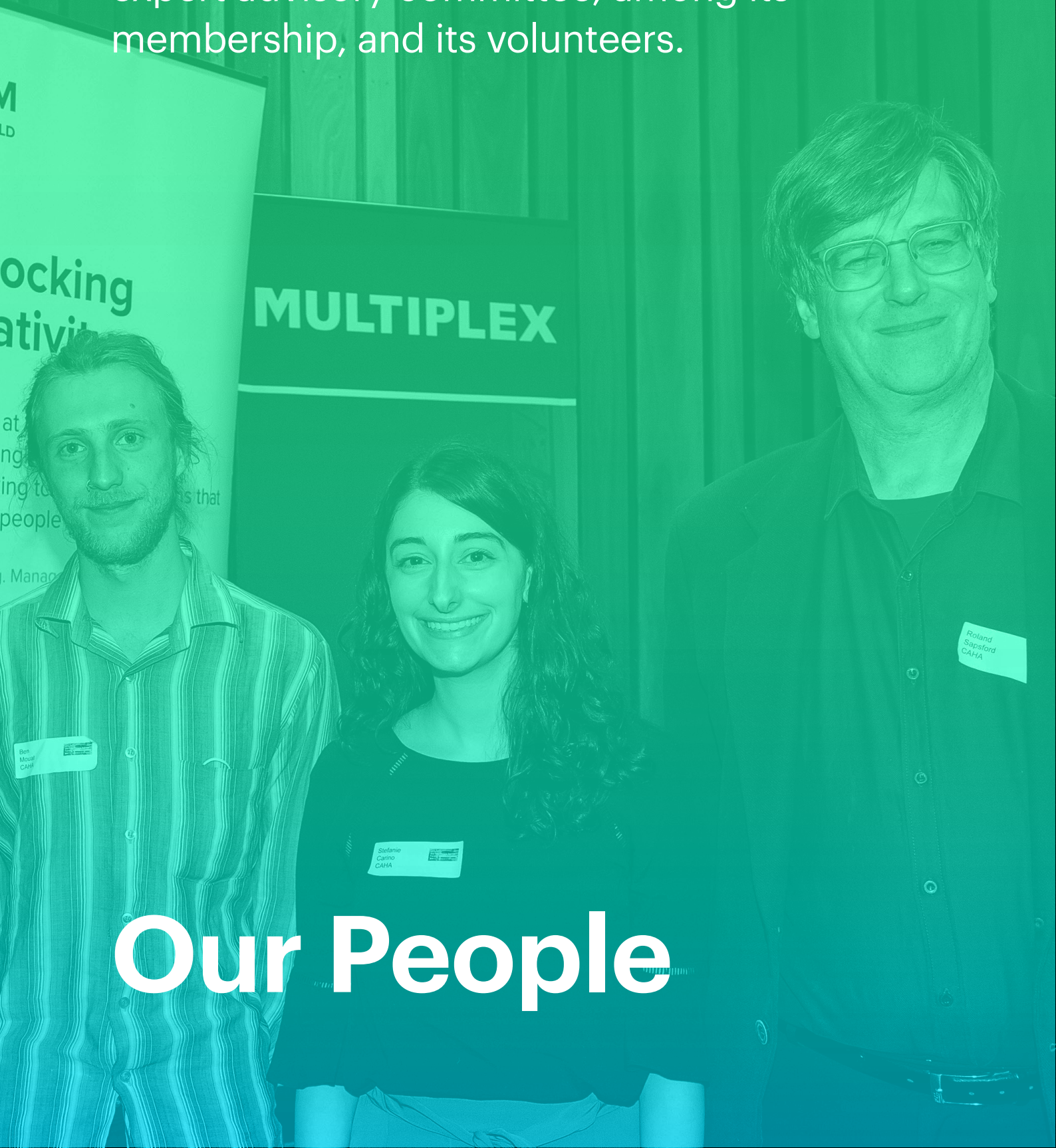
Vision

The health sector plays a leading role in restoring a safe climate, and an ecologically sustainable, just, and healthy world.

Strategy



CAHA is lucky to have many incredibly talented people involved – in the team of staff, on the board, on its expert advisory committee, among its membership, and its volunteers.



Our People

Board Directors

as of 30 June 2022



**(Acting) President and
Board Chair**

Rebecca Patrick

Health Nature Sustainability
Research Group, Deakin University



(Acting) Vice President

Amanda Adrian

Independent Director



Treasurer

Rajini Surendren

Independent Director



President

Michael Wheelahan

Independent Director (on leave)



Secretary

Jo Walker

Australian Health
Promotion Association



Vice Treasurer

Leah Williams

Australian Psychological Society



Ingrid Johnston

Public Health Association
of Australia



Lin Oke

Friends of CAHA



Frances Peart

Independent Director



David Zerman

Independent Director



Barb Vernon

Women's & Children's Healthcare
Australasia

During the year we farewelled our previous Treasurer Kim Daire and welcomed a new Treasurer Rajini Surendren.

CAHA's Leadership Team (CEO, Roland Sapsford and Strategic Projects Director, Fiona Armstrong) also participate in Board Meetings on an ex-officio basis.

Current Staff

(as of 31 October 2022)



Roland Sapsford

CEO

Roland has worked full-time for CAHA since April of 2022 and brings twenty-five years experience working in government, NGOs and business to the role. At present he is focussed on organisational development, deepening his understanding of the Australian institutional framework and building stakeholder relations.



Fiona Armstrong

Strategic Projects Director and Founder

Fiona is an internationally recognised global leader in climate and health. In 2022 she received a Pro-Bono Impact 25 award, and Judges Choice award for Influence. Fiona provides strategic advice on CAHA projects, helps strengthen our networks and champions fundraising.



Arthur Wyns

Policy and Advocacy Manager

Arthur works 0.8 FTE on leading CAHA's policy and advocacy work at the Commonwealth, State and Territory levels as well as collaboration with professional and academic partners.



Remy Shergill

Campaigns and Communications Manager

Remy works 1.0 FTE leading CAHA's communications and media work, managing our active social media channels, and empowering health professionals to effectively communicate and advocate for climate action to different audiences.



Stefanie Carino

Sustainable Healthcare Program Manager

Stefanie works 0.8 FTE leading our Sustainable Healthcare Program. This includes coordinating and promoting the Global Green and Health Hospitals network in the Pacific region (Australia and New Zealand) and organising the annual Greening the Healthcare Sector Forum.



Ben Mouat

Office Manager

Ben works 0.6FTE on many of CAHA's administrative and organisational tasks as well as membership and assisting with a number of projects CAHA undertakes, including supporting effective implementation of hybrid on-line and in-person events. He has been part of CAHA since early 2021.



Yoko Baxter

Graphic Design

Yoko works 0.6FTE on graphic design for publications, and social media. She joined CAHA in a graphic design support role in 2021 and for the last few months has led our graphic design work in implementing our brand refresh and supporting Greening the Healthcare Sector Forum. Yoko will be finishing work with CAHA in early November 2022.



Hilary Sloane

Visual Communications Specialist

Hilary is our newly appointed Visual Communications Specialist. She joined CAHA in late October 2022 and will lead work 0.6FTE on our visual communications and brand identity as well as providing graphic design support and advice for CAHA's activities, including our web presence.



Tricia Middel

Bookkeeper

Tricia works around one day a week managing CAHA's finances and supporting the Finance Committee with accurate financial records.

Staff on Parental Leave



Carol Behne

Sustainable Healthcare Program Manager

Carol went on parental leave in April 2022. Stefanie Carino (above) is filling this role at present. Carol will return to CAHA in early December 2022.

Staff we have farewelled since the last Annual Report



Shaun Manyweathers

Senior Graphic Designer

Shaun was our senior graphic designer, producing elegant and impactful graphic design for CAHA's publications, websites, and social media, as well as developing CAHA's visual branding and style. He developed and led the reformulation of our brand identity, including the development of our new logo and brand image. Shaun left CAHA at the end of August 2022, after guiding our brand for nearly two years.



Milly Burgess

Projects and Operations Manager

Milly contributed to the delivery of CAHA's Mission through the management of strategic projects, managing our membership programme during a period of rapid growth and overseeing our volunteer programmes. Milly finished with CAHA in October of 2022 to take up a role in Hobart, where she now lives. Milly had worked for CAHA for nearly four years, initially joining us in an administrative role.



Rory Anderson

Policy and Research Officer

Rory joined CAHA in May of 2021, working to support CAHA's policy advocacy, focusing on the revision of the framework for a national strategy on climate, health and wellbeing for Australia. He finished with CAHA in February of 2022.

Expert Advisory Committee

CAHA's Expert Advisory Committee is a highly credentialled group of experts who provide advice on the best available scientific literature and evidence. All members of the expert advisory committee offer unique and informed perspectives on climate and health issues. CAHA is grateful for their willingness to contribute.

Associate Professor Grant Blashki

Nossal Institute for Global Health

Professor Kathryn Bowen

Deputy Director, Melbourne Climate Futures

Professor Colin Butler

Visiting Fellow, Australian National University

Professor Tony Capon

Director, Monash Sustainable Societies Institute

Dr Susie Burke

Senior Psychologist, Psychology for a Safe Climate

Professor Sharon Friel

Professor of Health Equity, Director, Menzies Centre for Health Governance, ANU

Dr Elizabeth Hanna

Chair, Environmental Health Working Group, World Federation of Public Health Associations

Professor David Karoly

Honorary Professor, University of Melbourne

Professor Stephan Lewandowsky

Professor of Psychology, University of Bristol

Dr Peter Tait

Convenor, Ecology and Environment Special Interest Group, Public Health Association

Professor John Wiseman

Melbourne Sustainable Societies Institute

Volunteers

CAHA is extremely lucky to have many talented and passionate volunteers who assist with all areas of CAHA's work. Each and every volunteer contributes meaningfully to CAHA and we are extremely grateful for their support and the time they dedicate to CAHA.

Special thanks to our volunteers during FY21/22

Dionysia Evitaputri
Communications Volunteer
May 2020 - Dec 2021

Jessica Clarke
Research Volunteer
Sep 2020 - Feb 2022

Julia Read
Sustainable Healthcare Volunteer
Sep 2020 - Feb 2022

Yifan Wang
Grants Volunteer
Mar 2021 - Aug 2021

Alex Hewish
Research and Publications Volunteer
Mar 2021 - Dec 2021

Jess Gordon
Digital Media and Communications
Volunteer
Jun 2021 - Oct 2021

Grace Mui
Food intern from University of
Melbourne
Mar 2022 - Jun 2022

Takuzo Kimura
Publications Volunteer
Mar 2022 - Sep 2022

Philomena Colagiuri
Policy Volunteer
Mar 2022 - Jun 2022

Tara Tolhurst
Education Program Volunteer
Mar 2022 - May 2022

Sylvia Capra
Legal Research Volunteer
Apr 2022 - present

Michelle Ok
Membership Volunteer
Apr 2022 - Sep 2022

Sophie Waldron
Sustainable Healthcare Volunteer
May 2022 - present

CAHA's Organisational Membership has grown this year, reaching **almost one hundred (100)** organisations.

For the last three financial years, membership has included organisations from outside the health sector, who can join CAHA as Associate (non-voting) Members. The diversity and scale of our membership strengthens our advocacy and helps us scale up our collective impact.



Our Members



Our Work



Leadership: The health sector is leading climate advocacy

Under this pillar, we work to activate and support health professionals and health stakeholders to lead action on climate change.

Climate and Health Continuing Professional Development Program

During this financial year, CAHA has been exploring the development of a Climate and Health Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Program, with the support of a seed grant from the Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation. This grant enabled us to survey members and supporters about their preferences for the program's content and methods of delivery; develop an outline for a core curriculum; and develop a business case for CAHA to develop a CPD course.

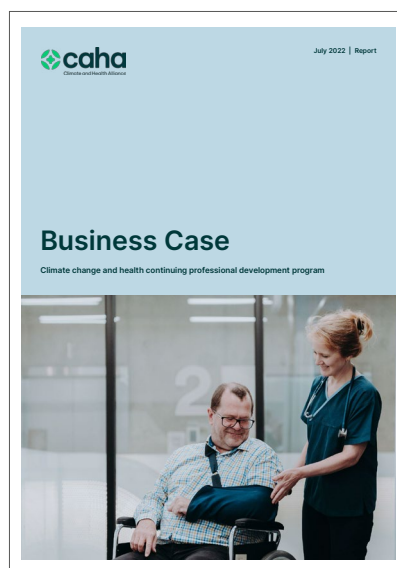
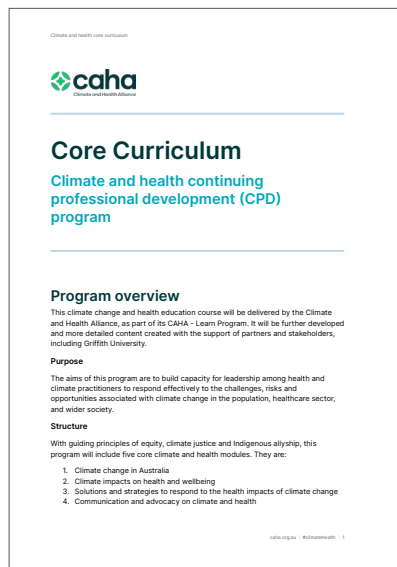
This process has uncovered a strong interest for educational opportunities focused on climate change and health. 73% of those survey respondents stating that they were interested in participating.

The survey results show that a majority of health stakeholders strongly support a climate and health CPD program developed by CAHA, and would be keen to participate. With these insights, CAHA will now work towards developing the optimum climate and health CPD program that health stakeholders want and need.

Educating health professionals in the area of climate change and health is fundamentally aligned to CAHA's strategic goals of leadership, advocacy, recognition and resilience.

We are now exploring opportunities for funding or sponsorship to develop the climate and health education program with content experts and partners. We hope to launch the program by the end of 2023 with a generic set of core modules, and build out further modules and tailored content as resources, capacity and opportunities are available.

Thanks to Milly Burgess for leading this phase of the project for CAHA.





Recognition: Climate change is recognised as a health issue

A growing focus of our work is connecting climate change and health in the minds of the public. Focusing on the health impacts of climate change, and the health benefits of climate action, can help to build public support for urgent climate action. After all, people of all political persuasions value their health.

Federal election

In this financial year, the primary focus of our recognition work was in relation to the 2022 federal election.

CAHA's federal election campaign had two goals:

- **Genuine political engagement:** The new federal government will implement a national plan for climate change and health (largely executed under our Influence pillar)
- **Visible action at the grassroots:** The next federal government must feel that climate change was a visible "election issue" and had a real impact on the outcome of the election (largely executed under our Recognition pillar)

To achieve this goal, CAHA collaborated effectively with grassroots groups and the broader climate network to build pressure in four electorates around the country, Chisholm and Higgins in Victoria, Reid in New South Wales, and Ryan in Queensland.

In preparation for the federal election, CAHA ran two 'Meet Your MP' training sessions and two 'Conversations' training sessions. These sessions upskilled keen health professionals to meet with MPs and candidates, equipped them to respond to incoming media requests, and secured pledges from them to have climate-health conversations within their own networks.

Through this work, CAHA supporters met with 12 MPs or candidates. More broadly, CAHA hosted four climate-health events in target electorates, created media linking climate change to health, dispersed hundreds of 'Climate Action Now' signs and helped over 50 health professionals had over 350 conversations with their loved ones about climate and health. A journal article about this work has been published in the *Journal of Climate Change and Health*.

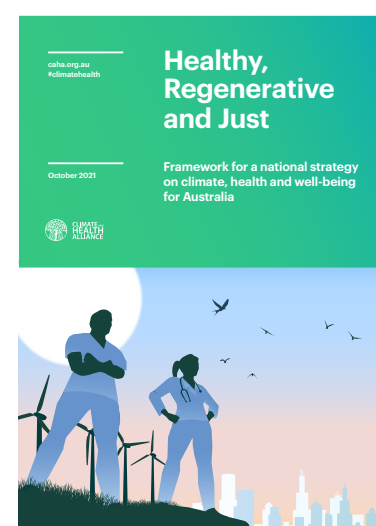
Climate action is good for our health

This succinct fact sheet, released in February 2022, was developed in response to research which demonstrates that positive, solutions-focused health communication on climate change is an effective frame for diverse audiences. This fact sheet is focused on six health co-benefits of climate action, from active transport to replacing gas heaters and kitchens. The fact sheet also highlights four actions to combat systemic issues, as to complement the individual health-focused actions.



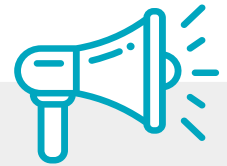
Reactive and proactive media

CAHA's presence in the media continues to grow. Alongside reactive opportunities, we have had several successful media campaigns over the 2021-22 financial year, including but not limited to: health at COP26, the launch of **Healthy, Regenerative and Just**, the release of IPCC reports in 2022, the federal election, and more.



Social media engagement

CAHA's audiences on Instagram, Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn continue to grow. A focus for this financial year was building our profile on LinkedIn, which has been a fantastic way to reach new supporters.



Our community



Facebook followers

6.3k



Twitter followers

9.4k



Instagram followers

1.4k



LinkedIn followers

2.2k





Influence: Decision-makers act on climate to protect health

CAHA regularly engages with and advocates to elected representatives at all levels of government, as well as representatives from relevant departments and agencies to ensure that action on climate change and health is on the political and policy agenda.

Key areas of focus in FY 2021-22

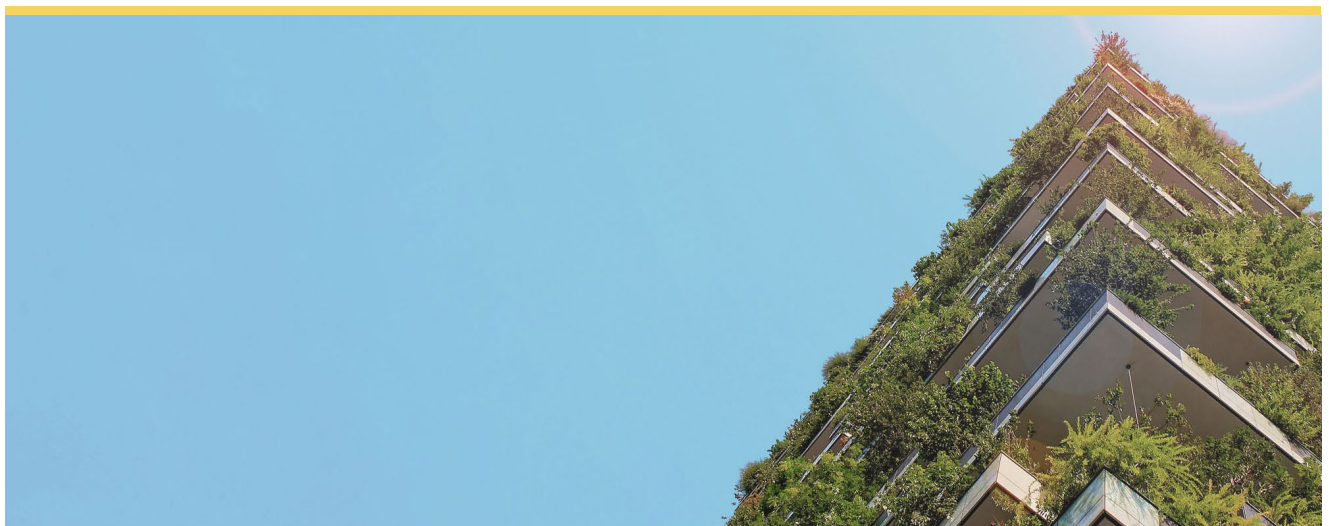
- Health community engagement in the lead up and during the COP26 UN climate conference, at which climate and health was a particular focus.
- Ongoing state and territory engagement including two Roundtables of Australian health ministries on sustainable healthcare, of which a summary report can be accessed [here](#).
- Strong political engagement on climate and health during the 2022 federal election campaign, including a [detailed analysis of key parties policies on climate health](#).
- Building momentum for a national strategy on climate, health and wellbeing, including an [updated framework for a national strategy on climate health and wellbeing](#).
- Growing CAHA's policy engagement across various issue areas, including policy submissions on: a [health-led economic recovery from COVID-19](#); [EPA emissions guidelines](#); the [WA community disaster resilience strategy](#); the [proposed expansion of gas terminal projects in Victoria](#); the [NSW Clean Air Regulation](#); and the [Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Australia](#).

We also supported the first Climate Change and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Roundtable held in October 2021. Our support aimed to amplify the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers, researchers, scientists and leaders on climate change and justice.

CAHA also worked to explain the climate health evidence base in a form accessible to the health community. This included:

- Well-received summaries of Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reports on climate impacts and mitigation;
- A review of sustainable healthcare for the Australian Commission for Safety and Quality in Health Care;
- Producing, with Monash Sustainable Development Institute and University of Melbourne, Climate Change and Australia's Healthcare System: A Review of Literature, Policy and Practice for the Royal Australasian College of Physicians;
- Several academic papers.

Research papers on food systems and the health impacts of gas are also under development.



Resilience: The health sector is climate resilient and sustainable

CAHA's Sustainable Healthcare Program continues to support the health sector to be climate-smart and sustainable.

Global Green and Healthy Hospitals Pacific Region Network

- CAHA coordinates the Pacific network for Global Green and Healthy Hospitals (GGHH). As of June 2022, the GGHH network has grown to 125 members in the Pacific region, representing around 2,000 individual hospitals, health services and health organisations. New members in this financial year include the WA Department of Health.

Member achievements

- Eight members received awards for the Healthcare Climate Challenge
- Two members submitted data for the UN Race to Zero initiative

Highlights of CAHA's coordination work

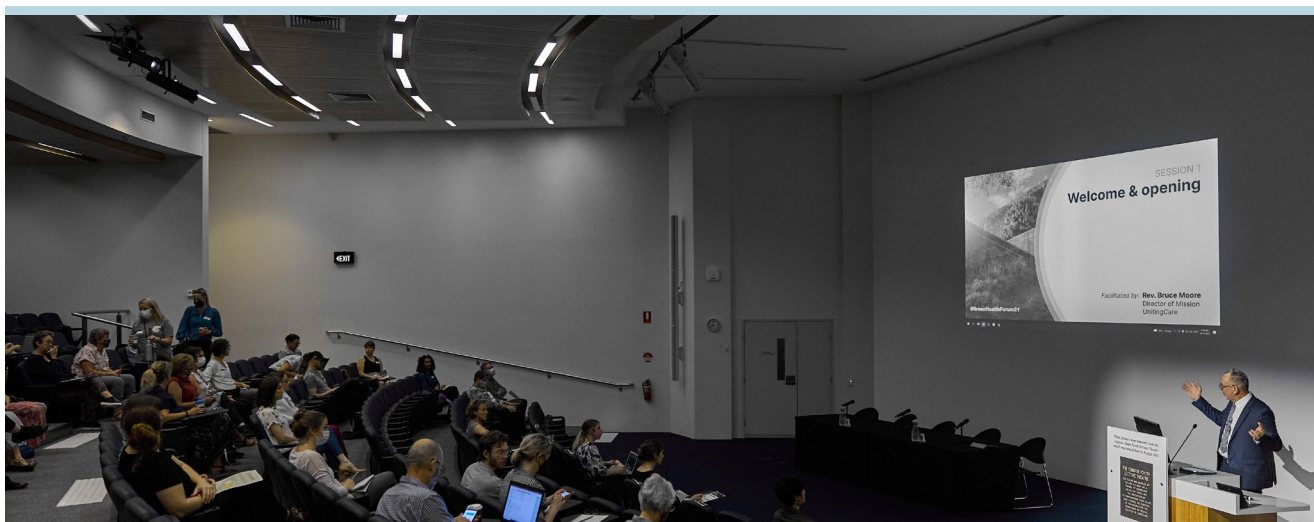
- A four part webinar series to increase knowledge of, and update, the Climate Impact Check up Tool produced by Health Care without Harm International

- Releasing seven case studies:
 - **Green Labs**, Peter Mac;
 - **Delivering a positive future**, Fiona Stanley Hospital;
 - **EcoWarriors**, Fiona Stanley Hospital;
 - **Green Hospitals Hackathon**, Australian Medical Students Association;
 - **Establishing structures to enable climate resilient healthcare**, Nepean Blue Mountains;
 - **Minimising plastic straw use**, UnitingCare;
 - **Removing Desflurane**, South Metro Health Service

Other Sustainable Healthcare initiatives in FY 21/22

- Produced a website, fact sheet and display about single use plastics with a small grant from LMCF
- Held the Greening the Healthcare Sector forum in November 2021 with partner UnitingCare and host Metro North Health
- Received funding from the Minderoo Foundation for a pilot trial of Plastic Oceans Australasia's EPIC Business Program to support health services to reduce their single use plastics. The two pilot hospitals are Austin Health and King Edward Memorial Hospital.
- Continued to collaborate with project partners Griffith Climate Action Beacon and Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service to develop and trial a staff sustainability survey checklist





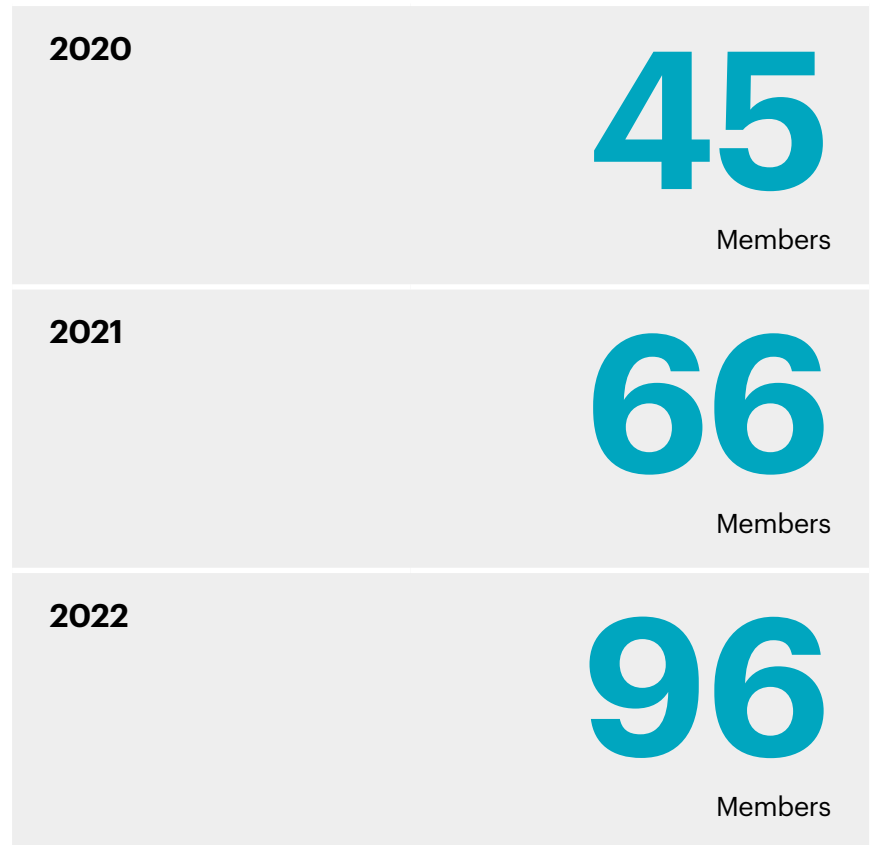
Impact: Our Alliance grows in size and influence

New members in FY21/22 included: Australian Chiropractors Association (ACA), Australian Physiotherapy Association (APA), Australian Podiatry Association (APodA), Brooke Shelton, Cairns Hand Clinic, Coota Girls Aboriginal Corporation, Enliven Victoria, Enriching Lives Psychology, Environmental Health Australia, Faculty of Health UTS, Indigenous Allied Health Australia (IAHA), Institute for Sustainable Futures UTS (ISF), Lowitja Institute, Metta Health & Psychology, Mott MacDonald, National Association of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Practitioners (NAATSIHWP), National Rural Health Alliance, Nursing and Midwifery Health Program Victoria, Nutrition Australia, OraTaiao: New Zealand Climate and Health Council, Pura Vida Behavioural Nutrition, Rocketship Pacific, Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists (RANZCO), Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP), SANE Australia, Second Chance Psychology, Thoracic Society of Australia & New Zealand (TSANZ), UQ Mental Health in Climate Change Transdisciplinary Research Network, Vote Earth Now, Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research (WEHI), Weenthunga Health Network, WHO Collaborating Centre for Health Impact Assessment

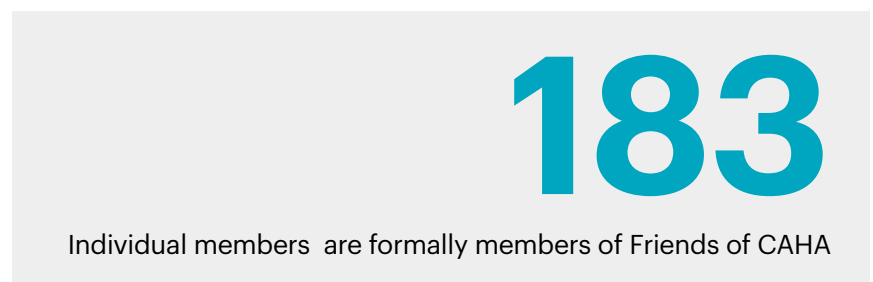
We're delighted to welcome so many new members, and look forward to continuing to work to build this movement to achieve the changes we know are needed to avert the worst impacts of the climate crisis.

CAHA finished FY 21/22 with ninety four (96) organisational members

**Organisational
Membership
at 30 June 2022**



**Individual members
at 30 June 2022**



**friends
of caha**
Climate and Health Alliance

Organisational members

[Abilita](#)

[Australasian College of Health Service Management \(ACHSM\)](#)

[Australasian College of Nutritional and Environmental Medicine \(ACNEM\)](#)

[Australasian Epidemiological Association \(AEA\)](#)

[Australasian Society of Lifestyle Medicine \(ASLM\)](#)

[Australian Association of Gerontology \(AAG\)](#)

[Australian Association of Social Workers \(AASW\)](#)

[Australian Chiropractors Association \(ACA\)](#)

[Australian College of Nursing \(ACN\)](#)

[Australian Council of Social Service \(ACOSS\)](#)

[Australian Federation of Medical Women \(AFMW\)](#)

[Australian Healthcare and Hospitals Association \(AHHA\)](#)

[Australian Health Promotion Association \(AHPA\)](#)

[Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association \(AIDA\)](#)

[Australian Institute of Health Innovation \(AIHI\)](#)

[Australian Lesbian Medical Association \(ALMA\)](#)

[Australian Medical Students' Association \(AMSA\)](#)

[Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation \(ANMF\)](#)

[Australian Physiotherapy Association \(APA\)](#)

[Australian Podiatry Association \(APodA\)](#)

[Australian Primary Health Care Nurses Association \(APNA\)](#)

[Australian Psychological Society \(APS\)](#)

[Australian Women's Health Network \(AWHN\)](#)

[Brooke Shelton](#)

[Cairns Hand Clinic](#)

[Central Australia Rural Practitioners Association \(CARPA\)](#)

[Children's Healthcare Australasia](#)

[Climatewise Design](#)

[Codesain](#)

[CoHealth](#)

[ConNetica Consulting](#)

[Consumers Health Forum of Australia \(CHF\)](#)

[Coota Girls Aboriginal Corporation](#)

[CRANaplus](#)

[Cultivate Impact](#)

[Dietitians Australia](#)

[Doctors for Nutrition](#)

[Doctors Reform Society \(DRS\)](#)

[Enliven Victoria](#)

[Enriching Lives Psychology](#)

[Environmental Health Australia](#)

[Faculty of Health UTS](#)

[Food for Thought Consulting Australia](#)

[Friends of CAHA](#)

[Health Care Consumers' Association ACT](#)

[Health Issues Centre \(HIC\)](#)

[Health Nature Sustainability Research Group \(HNSRG\)](#)

[Health Services Union \(HSU\)](#)

[Healthy Food Systems Australia \(HFSA\)](#)

[Healthy Futures](#)

[Indigenous Allied Health Australia \(IAHA\)](#)

[Institute for Sustainable Futures UTS \(ISF\)](#)

[Inner East Primary Care Partnership \(IEPCP\)](#)

[Kooweerup Regional Health Service \(KRHS\)](#)

[Lowitja Institute](#)

[Medical Association for Prevention of War \(MAWP\) Australia](#)

[Medical Scientists Association of Victoria \(MSAV\)](#)

[Metta Health & Psychology](#)

[MinterEllison](#)

[Motion Energy Group](#)

[Mott MacDonald](#)

[National Association of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Practitioners \(NAATSIHWP\)](#)

[National Rural Health Alliance](#)

[Naturopaths and Herbalists Association of Australia \(NHAA\)](#)

[NSW Nurses and Midwives' Association \(NSWNMA\)](#)

[Nursing and Midwifery Health Program Victoria](#)

[Nutrition Australia](#)

[Optometry Australia](#)

[OraTaiao: New Zealand Climate and Health Council](#)

[Pharmacists for the Environment Australia \(PEA\)](#)

[Psychology for a Safe Climate \(PSC\)](#)

[Public Health Association of Australia \(PHAA\)](#)

[Pura Vida Behavioural Nutrition](#)

[Queensland Nurses and Midwives Union \(QNMU\)](#)

[Rocketship Pacific](#)

[Royal Australasian College of Physicians](#)

[Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists \(RANZCO\)](#)

[Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists \(RANZCP\)](#)

[Rural Doctors Association of Victoria \(RDAV\)](#)

[SANE Australia](#)

[School of Public Health, University of Sydney](#)

[School of Public Health & Social Work, Queensland University of Technology](#)

[Second Chance Psychology](#)

[Services for Australian Rural and Remote Allied Health \(SARRAH\)](#)

[Thoracic Society of Australia & New Zealand \(TSANZ\)](#)

[UQ Mental Health in Climate Change Transdisciplinary Research Network](#)

[Veterinarians for Climate Action \(VFCA\)](#)

[Victorian Allied Health Professionals Association \(VAHPA\)](#)

[Vote Earth Now](#)

[Walter & Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research \(WEHI\)](#)

[Weenthunga Health Network](#)

[WHO Collaborating Centre for Health Impact Assessment](#)

[Women's Health East \(WHE\)](#)

[Women's Health Goulburn North East \(WHGNE\)](#)

[Women's Health in the North \(WHIN\)](#)

[Women's Healthcare Australasia](#)

In the period since June 2022 a small number of members listed above have left and we have gained several new members.

As CAHA grows and increases its activity, we attract more attention and requests for support and expert advice.

Presentations and Events

Presentations and events highlights in FY21/22

Some highlights from July 2021 until June 2022 include:

- Climate Justice session at University of Melbourne MD Student Conference
- Breakout sessions at the Better Futures Forum 2021
- How to talk about climate change and health with the Global Climate and Health Alliance
- Mental health and climate change at the Youth Health Forum National Summit
- Mental health and climate change at the Public Health Association Conference
- Mental health and climate change at the Students and Young Professionals in Public Health networking
- Launching the Together We Can campaign with Australian Conservation Foundation
- How to talk about climate change and health with three Victorian Primary Care Partnerships
- Environmental Factors and Mental Health meeting with the Mental Health Professionals' Network
- Webinar with the Australasian College of Nutritional & Environmental Medicine
- How to talk about climate change and health with Australian Medical Students Association
- Workshop with the Central Victorian Primary Care Partnership
- Equality and Health in a Changing Climate with Victorian Healthcare Association
- 'World Health Day: Our planet, our health' with Global Health Alliance
- Talking about climate change and health with Women's and Children's Healthcare Australasia
- Reducing single-use plastics at the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation Conference
- Sustainable healthcare at the RACP Congress
- Giant Steps Conference
- Webinar with the Australian Orthotic Prosthetic Association
- Action, Advocacy, Allyship and Activism for Healthy and Sustainable Food Systems webinar with Dietitians Australia
- Strategic climate-health communication with Climate Action Network Australia

Fundraising is a big part of the work for the CAHA team – seeking major gifts and grants from philanthropic and community foundations, and regular donations from our network of supporters.

Fundraising

With Gratitude

We are pleased and grateful to have secured support during 2021-22 from:

- Lord Mayor's Charitable Foundation
- Community Impact Foundation
- Australian Conservation Foundation
- Health Care Without Harm
- Climate Action Network Australia
- Minderoo Foundation
- Members of the Australian Environmental Grantmakers Network

To the donors who wish to remain anonymous, thank you for your generous support.

A woman wearing a green protective suit, a face mask, and gloves is standing in front of a building with a grid-like facade. She is holding a large green bag. The image has a green tint.

International Engagement and Influence

We are delighted to be part of the international climate and health movement as a member of the Global Climate and Health Alliance (GCHA). CAHA is represented on the GCHA Board by Fiona Armstrong and Arthur Wynn.

CAHA has worked with the World Health Organization (WHO) to conduct two Health Leadership on Climate Roundtables, in September 2021, and June 2022. These Roundtables brought together health ministries from state, territory and in June 2022, the federal government to discuss opportunities for advancing work on climate adaptation and resilience and low carbon and sustainable healthcare, including through the international ATACH program (Alliance for Transformative Action on Climate and Health, formerly known as the COP26 Health Programme).

Under Arthur Wynn's stewardship, CAHA has been working with GCHA in developing strategic advocacy initiatives on climate and health ahead of COP27 in Egypt and will lead CAHA's COP27 delegation.



Finance



Treasurer's Report

Rajini Surendren

I am pleased to present my first report as a Treasurer. FY2022 has been a year where CAHA has continued to experience growth, system improvements and also face challenges experienced by the not-for-profit sector generally as financial supporters at all levels operate under tighter fiscal constraints mainly caused by COVID and climate events.

A summary of the financial results extracted from CAHA's audited financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2022 is provided below in this report. Complete audited financial report is available at caha.org.au.

CAHA 2021/22 financial results Snapshot

- CAHA's total income grew more than 50% from \$521k in FY2021 to \$790k in FY2022.
- 72% of the total income for FY2022 was from project grants, which was consistent with FY2021.
- Income from memberships grew from 13% of the total income in FY2021 to 20% of the total income in FY2022.

CAHA's Income

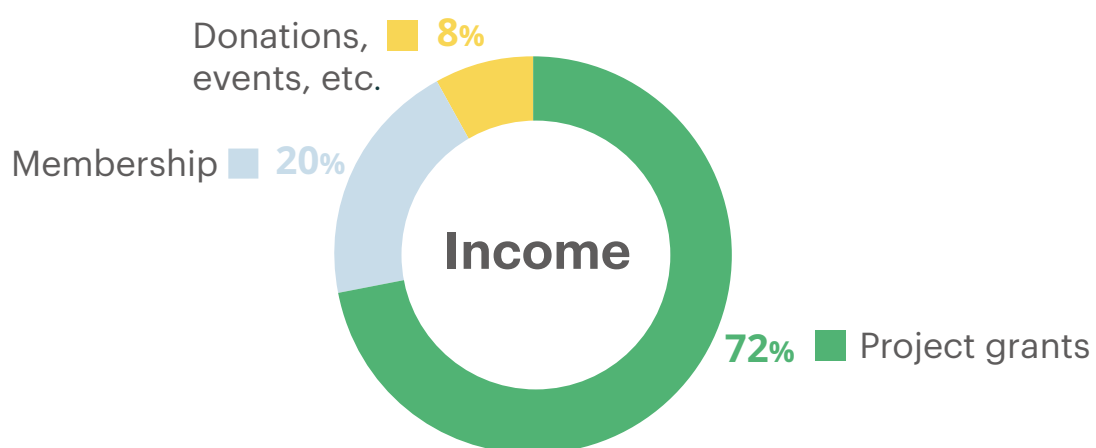


Figure 1 CAHA's Income FY2021/22

Over the past five years CAHA's income has grown at a compound annual growth rate of 40% reflecting the tireless work of our team in securing funding and donations.

CAHA's Income

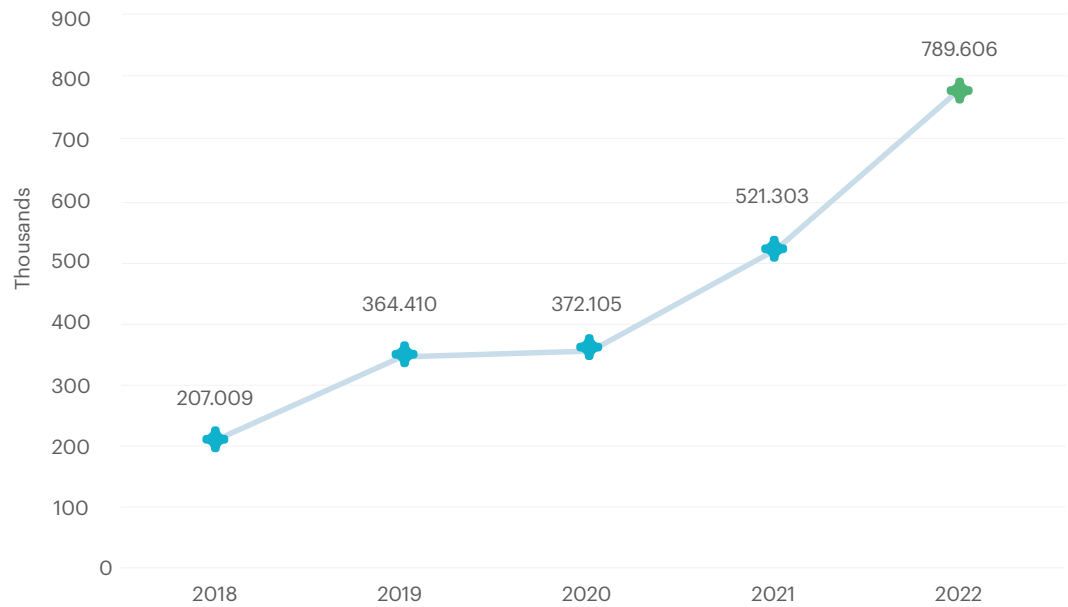


Figure 2 CAHA's Income FY2021/22

FY 2018 income has been adjusted by \$100k to reflect accrual accounting basis.

CAHA's total expenses have increased from \$490k in FY2021 to \$645k in FY2022. This increase in expenses reflect CAHA's strategy to invest in resources during the past few years to further its mission. It is pleasing to note that CAHA has improved its financial performance despite the increased expenses during the FY 2022, ending the year with a surplus of \$145k compared to a surplus of \$32k in 2021.

CAHA's Surplus

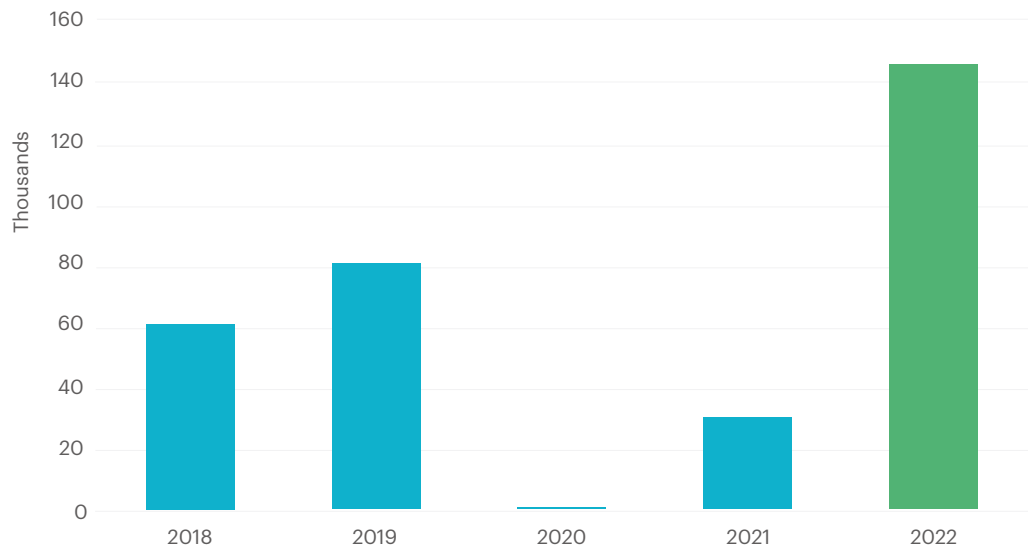


Figure 3 CAHA's Surplus FY2021/22

Please note: FY 2018 surplus has been adjusted by \$100k to reflect accrual accounting basis.

CAHA is forecasting to continue the trend of improving its surplus position during FY2023 by increasing its income base. CAHA is planning to lodge an application to the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) for Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status during FY2023. Obtaining DGR status, is expected to increase donations to CAHA contributing to an increase in income base and our financial sustainability.

Equity or net asset position also has improved from \$37k in FY 2021 to \$145k in FY 2022 as a result of the increase in surplus position providing an improved financial platform for CAHA.

Appreciation

We would not have been able to achieve these financial results without the strong and enduring support of the long standing financial supporters tangibly demonstrated by the continued inflow of grants. We are excited and humbled by the increase in new supporters who have joined the growing list of financial supporters.

Our energetic and supportive members and funding organisations, dedicated staff and committed volunteers have worked together seamlessly to provide the financial base to further our mission. We thank your support and trust placed in us and hope to continue CAHA's mission in the years to come.

The following is an extract from audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Statement of surplus and deficit other comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2022

| INCOME | 2022 (\$) | 2021 (\$) |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Membership income | 156,947 | 68,193 |
| Donations | 33,199 | 36,444 |
| Project revenue | 568,035 | 363,603 |
| Other income | 31,425 | 52,934 |
| Finance income | - | 129 |
| TOTAL INCOME | 789,606 | 521,303 |
| EXPENDITURE | 2022 (\$) | 2021 (\$) |
| Audit, legal and accounting | 13,320 | 8,920 |
| Fundraising expenses | 11,968 | 6,167 |
| Conference and project expenses | 24,490 | 20,093 |
| Consultancy costs | 46,082 | 14,690 |
| Personnel costs | 486,634 | 407,289 |
| Depreciation expense | - | 12,968 |
| Other expenses | 62,474 | 19,147 |
| Finance costs | - | 257 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURE | 644,968 | 489,531 |
| Operating Surplus for the year | 144,638 | 31,772 |
| Other comprehensive income for the year | - | - |
| TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR | 144,638 | 31,772 |

Statement of financial position as at 30 June 2022

| CURRENT ASSETS | 2022 (\$) | 2021 (\$) |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents | 425,323 | 546,585 |
| Trade and other receivables | 55,011 | 65,566 |
| Total current assets | 480,334 | 612,151 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 480,334 | 612,151 |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES | 2022 (\$) | 2021 (\$) |
| Trade and other payables | 44,965 | 39,322 |
| Contract liabilities | 221,303 | 505,597 |
| Provisions | 29,343 | 21,853 |
| Total current liabilities | 295,611 | 566,772 |
| NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES | | |
| Provisions | 3,480 | 8,774 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 3,480 | 8,774 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 299,091 | 575,546 |
| NET ASSETS | 181,243 | 36,605 |
| EQUITY | | |
| Retained surplus | 181,243 | 36,605 |
| TOTAL EQUITY | 181,243 | 36,605 |

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a powerful health sector
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