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# WELCOME TO OUR YEARLY ANNUAL REPORT

IN PURSUIT OF ABUSED CHILDREN  
FOR OVER 19 YEARS.



**THANK YOU FOR  
BEING A PART OF  
OUR JOURNEY.**

We invite you to celebrate a year of agonising challenge and resilience.

Remember the year that generated inspirational generosity, commitment, growth, freedom and healing.

In this Annual Report, experience what your support helped achieve for the most vulnerable during a global crisis.

— the year that was 2020.





## MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER

**2020, what an incredible year! I want to personally thank everyone who gave so generously, many of you gave above and beyond, more than you have ever given before!**

Thanks to all the volunteers and staff who tirelessly gave of themselves, whether to raise the funds needed, to be a voice for the voiceless, to rescue the kids from horrific abuse, and help them stay free. Each and every one of you have played a genuine role in the fight to end this evil in our lifetimes – THANK YOU!

With most nations being in lockdowns, businesses being forced to close, borders shut, this had a profound impact on our ability to rescue those kids still trapped in sexually abusive environments... but despite these roadblocks our awesome team managed to rescue 751 survivors – what an incredible effort!

**These next 10 years need to be ones of great expansion, launching new projects into new nations, expanding projects in existing nations. Whether the child is being sold on the streets in Africa, or forced to dance on a pole in southeast Asia, or trafficked across neighbouring borders into brothels and massage parlours... we must be there!**

Whether it's hard, dirty, expensive or dangerous... while there is still one more kid out there we can never stop, each one is worth rescuing, is worth the risk, is worth the cost.

Thank you all, it is an honour to fight this battle with you!

Be Blessed

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Kirwan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**TONY KIRWAN**  
FOUNDER & PRESIDENT  
Destiny Rescue



## MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

government restrictions and the challenges of COVID-19. But one thing that never changed was our resolve to rescue. Despite our rescue numbers dropping for several months, our teams used this time to upskill, reflect and strategise how we can be even more effective in our passion to rescue children.

**2020! A year that will be forever etched in our memories! And yet, for 751 individuals across the globe, 2020 will be remembered for a reason other than COVID-19. Because this was the year Destiny Rescue transformed the lives of 751 survivors rescued from sexual exploitation, forced marriage, child labour and the brink of being lost into the dark underworld.**

In early February 2020, I was shocked and shaken when asked to be part of an operation to rescue a 2½-year-old boy, being exploited by his stepdad and mum in the Philippines. Following a tip-off from British Intelligence, who intercepted a UK national – with child sex material on his computer – Destiny Rescue went to work to free this precious little boy. In an operation that involved the Australian Federal Police, the National Bureau of Investigations in the Philippines, and Destiny Rescue agents, we set up a sting in a hotel in Manila. Thankfully this operation went to plan. The stepdad and mother were arrested – and the young toddler was taken to a safe house to begin the process of healing and restoration. And you made this possible.

As COVID-19 hit in March 2020, our global team pivoted to adapt to our world that would change forever. Our Project Nations had to modify and morph their operations to fall in line with lockdowns,

In Australia, we quickly developed our operations to reduce expenses. Some staff voluntarily donated significant amounts of their salaries back to the organisation. We exited our premises and were ‘homeless’ from our office for a few months and went about a significant cost-cutting exercise. All this while we doubled down on efforts to connect with our valued supporters and share the story of rescue and vulnerability of the children we seek to serve.

**It is a year we will never forget, but for those 751 survivors who found freedom, they, and we, are eternally grateful for your generosity, commitment and support.**

We continue our deep resolve to be even more determined to ensure that no child should ever have to go to bed to work.

Richest blessings and our most sincere thanks for your partnership,

**PAUL MERGARD**

CEO - Destiny Rescue Australia

2020

# HIGHLIGHTS



## 166

### INDIVIDUAL RESCUES

Agents found and offered freedom to 166 children individually.



## 325

### RAID RESCUES

Rescue operations carried out in partnership with law enforcement.



## 260

### BORDER RESCUES

Individual rescues on the Nepal Border.



## 139

### ARRESTS

Alleged perpetrators arrested across all rescue nations.

# 751

Total Rescued  
(in 2020)

# 349

Total Minors Rescued  
(in 2020)

- *Stories* from the field -

# TODDLER RESCUED

## OUR FIRST CYBER CASE

**In February 2020, our teams, in coordination with many law-enforcement agencies, executed an operation that rescued a 2-and-a-half-year-old boy from a life of continued sexual exploitation.**



It is half-past three. Anticipating the afternoon crowd who frequent his small store just in front of his house, Edwin\* fires up the fryer to make sure the oil is hot enough to cook with. Behind him is his family - his wife sitting by the door frame, his 2-and-a-half-year-old step-son playing. From the outside, this might look like your average Filipino household. But this family is far from normal.

**Edwin\* sells pornographic materials on the internet - videos of him molesting his little step-son.**

Following a lead from an arrest done in the UK, the National Bureau of Investigation in the Philippines was tapped to take on this case when child pornographic materials were found in the mobile phone of the alleged suspect.

Destiny Rescue is one of the leading NGOs fighting sexual human trafficking of children in the country and was called on to collaborate just months after the initial investigations. It was difficult to gain Edwin's trust. He was aloof most of the time - uninterested with what the operatives tried offering. This is where patience comes into play.

\*not his real name - pictured above in the green shirt

A well-scripted conversation drawn out for months had to be orchestrated to slowly build his trust. Even then, Edwin was sceptical. Cold and calculating, his practised business persona was hard to crack.

**“As Destiny Rescue operatives, we have the difficult role of verifying the information presented to us before we can take it further. We’re never desensitised - it hurts every time”** - *Rescue*

*Manager, Destiny Rescue Philippines.*

Although heartbroken, the team has to soldier on.

Edwin was starting to become a little more engaging with Jeremy (*the Caucasian male persona they set up*). Now was not the time to give in. They needed to remain smart about their strategies to not raise any suspicion from the elusive target.

The story was now set - and the trap in place. At each juncture, the team held their breath hoping the operation would move forward. The pieces each fell into place and the critical day arrived. If all went according to plan, the boy would be recovered safely and Edwin would be in custody by noon.

On operation day, teams met for their final briefings and rolled out. Jeremy’s character



Undercover agents from the British law enforcement, Destiny Rescue and the Philippines NBI filled the hotel lobby posing as guests.

continued to engage with Edwin via text and a meet-up time and space was agreed on, then the payment for the transaction was sent. Edwin collected the money in the morning then returned home to get the boy. This final step was crucial. The teams had to trust this man to keep his word and show up with his son in a few hours.

Undercover agents from the British law enforcement, Destiny Rescue and the Philippines NBI filled the hotel lobby posing as guests. Jeremy, had noticed something odd - Edwin’s character had changed and he had become a lot more open and careless with information via text. The teams remained in position and waited for an excruciating three hours.

Then it happened. Edwin walked into the hotel lobby carrying the boy and sat down, his air of nonchalance a stark contrast with



the gravity of the situation. Jeremy made eye contact with him and walked over to where they were seated. Everyone was on standby, waiting for Jeremy to give the go signal. Edwin was all smiles - as if the guy they were chatting to months or even days before was a completely different person.

**Then he handed the boy over to Jeremy - that was the go signal. The arresting officer approached the suspect and immediately arrested Edwin, reading his Miranda of Rights.**

**All the undercover agents then stood up to form a human barrier between Edwin and his step-son while the child was handed over to one of the female agents from the NBI. Edwin and his wife will be held accountable and charged for their heinous actions.**

While being processed for intake at a government social facility, the little boy sat in a cosy corner with a social worker. He picked up a couple of the toys around him and began to play. This moment was meaningful. While the traumas he has endured will take healing and resilience to overcome, right now he is safe and able to play and explore his world as a child should.

The Corona virus situation, especially in our project nations, will see cases like this explode to new levels. We have to face the facts and deal with them. More children will be abused in this manner and we're getting ready at lightning speed to react. ■



The step-dad arrested and led away in cuffs by NBI agents



The toddler in the safe arms of a caring social worker

- *Stories* from the field -

# THE DOMINO EFFECT

## FOUR RAIDS IN - ONE NIGHT

**In 2020, we were able to fund and carry out four raids in a single night in the Philippines.**

**The raids resulted in three crucial arrests and the rescue of 31 survivors of sexual exploitation.**

The night was exhausting but extremely successful for the Destiny Rescue agents, the National Police and support teams, and most importantly, for those young survivors who were liberated.



All operations start at the National Police Headquarters. Our Destiny Rescue agents have earned the respect of the National Police and NBI. These partnerships are taking down brothels and bars, rescuing unprecedented numbers of children and prosecuting criminals. The Destiny Rescue agents arrive at police headquarters. It's time for all officers, agents and social workers to come together for the briefing and prayer. At the end of this session everyone feels prepared and clearly understands their role.



### SPA LOCATION (B)

Team 2 enter the spa and engage with the pimps. The spa is on the main street and many people are shuffling past in the heat of the night. Girls are awkwardly dancing out front. Money quickly changes hands and the signal is given. Armed Police swoop in and round up pimps as business ceases. The support team race in and assist the girls to walk away, free from bondage.

**SUCCESS:** 12 rescued.





# The Domino Effect

## 4 Raids : One Night

The year 2020. It was just an ordinary February night in Manila, Philippines - or so it seemed. Two pimps and two establishments had no idea that they had been under surveillance by law enforcement agencies for quite some time. Four separate raids were about to be launched in immediate succession. Destiny Rescue and the Philippines National Police partnered together to rescue children and arrest the pimps.



Teams depart for the meeting place as agreed with the pimp. She uses a restaurant to take payment from men to abuse children. Armed police and social workers are on standby. Undercover Destiny Rescue agents move to engage the pimp. She accepts the money. The agents give the signal. Armed police raid the building, apprehend the pimp and handcuff her. The support team and case workers race in after them and go directly to the children and guide them to freedom.

**SUCCESS:** 1 arrest / 4 rescued.

The second pimp is operating out of a local hotel. He's renowned in the area for violence, gang association and the one to go to for 'young girls'. Armed police stand by. Unarmed Destiny Rescue agents approach the pimp. Destiny Rescue agents slip into their role as customers. It doesn't take long for money to exchange hands. The signal is given. The police rush in and make the arrest. The backup teams race in to support the survivors and lead them to freedom.

**SUCCESS:** 1 arrest / 6 rescued.

### SPA LOCATION (A)

Two so-called 'Spas' have been identified as operating brothels, owned by a sex-trafficking ring. The teams split into two. Undercover agents enter the Spa location 1, while police and support teams await the signal. Money changes hands for a 15 year old girl. Police break in and arrest the pimp at gun point. The support team respond immediately and surround the survivors. They are led out to freedom, while the alleged perpetrator is handcuffed.

**SUCCESS:** 1 arrest / 9 rescued.



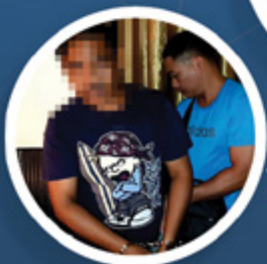
**Raid Prep**  
5:30pm

**Raid #1**  
7:32pm

**Raid #2**  
9:05pm

**Raid #3**  
10:21pm

**Raid #4**  
10:44pm



# 2020





# COVID-19 EFFECTS FOR DESTINY RESCUE WORLD WIDE

## COVID 19: its impact on Human Trafficking

**Economic desperation is one of the most common factors leaving children vulnerable to sexual exploitation.**

With so many jobs vaporising, the risks of trafficking are getting higher for many vulnerable young people in Southeast Asia.

“Given a proportion of the planet’s population is expected to lose their jobs or fall into extreme poverty because of Covid, sexual exploitation and human trafficking will only get worse. Traffickers tend to manipulate financially desperate people. Unfortunately, poverty and desperation is the perfect scenario for traffickers to exploit children.”

– Tony Kirwan, Destiny Rescue  
INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT  
AND FOUNDER



Travel restrictions, country lockdowns and business closures have crippled the world’s economy. This has left countless people without employment or unable to make money for themselves or their families.

According to a report in October last year by the World Bank Blog, the Covid situation is expected to drag between 88 to 115 million people into extreme poverty – earning USD \$1.90 a day. This number could rise to 150 million this year.

## HOW COVID-19 IS AFFECTING DESTINY RESCUE:

# CHALLENGES AND OUR RESPONSE

### THE PHILIPPINES

- Strict lockdown protocols in Manila slow all rescue operations.
- Community quarantine is reviewed every two weeks creating logistic and planning difficulties.
- As movement restrictions relaxed and rescue efforts increased, we took precautions to reduce the spread of COVID-19. This included using PPE and operating in smaller teams.

### THAILAND

- The Covid-19 situation was creating challenges in Thailand. New plans were being considered for both rescue and reintegration work to continue in these circumstances.
- Although many bars remain closed, our rescue operations recommenced in July 2020.
- When restrictions limited travel, our follow-up work for each survivor was delivered via online chat groups and video calls. Girls were provided with phones and sim cards when necessary to remain in contact with our teams.
- Health week was a success in November 2020.
- All staff and volunteers participated in a self-care training day in December 2020. The training focused on recognising how to manage stress in healthy ways.

### AN UNDISCLOSED COUNTRY

- Movement was very restricted throughout the year by COVID-19.
- In efforts to sustain the poor, we distributed food packages,





which also allowed us to maintain contact with graduated survivors and future target communities.

- Community care was added as a support option for survivors. Our two residential care homes in this country are still operational.

**CAMBODIA**

- In March 2020, the Cambodian government issued the temporary closing of all group homes in response to the virus. Our teams quickly helped reintegrate survivors in our care back into safe living environments and maintained contact with them virtually.
- Throughout the year lockdown restrictions impacted our programs in Cambodia. During travel-restriction lockdowns, girls in Community Care were unable to come into the home for classes. Our Social Workers kept in touch with survivors in our care via phone check-ins – to make sure they were doing okay and had enough food and other necessities.
- One of our residential homes reopened as restrictions relaxed (June 2020).
- Rescues re-launched in Aug 2020 after initial COVID-19 shutdowns.
- There is a general increase in debt and poverty for vulnerable families in the community.
- Many NGO’s have closed temporarily or indefinitely. Job training and opportunities are difficult to find

because of COVID-19 (Dec 2020).

- Health week in December 2020 was a success with five girls attending.

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

- Despite restrictions due to COVID-19, the year 2020 saw a dramatic increase in rescue operations.
- We have a solid working relationship with the National Police.
- A current challenge is the lack of placement options for children once rescued. There are amazing organisations nearby, but they have limited capacity.
- We provide PPE to our agents and law enforcement officers when we join them in investigations.

**NEPAL**

- All Nepal borders were completely closed from mid March 2020 - mid June 2020. This time was used to bolster our agent’s training and build working relationships with the authorities. Our rescue staff returned to their border duties in June 2020. Border restrictions relaxed more fully in October 2020.



*After a successful Raid Operation, the arrests are made, and young survivors sit together as the intake process begins.*

# REPORTING RESCUE NUMBERS

**WE VALUE  
TRANSPARENCY  
AND ARE  
COMMITTED  
TO OPEN  
REPORTING.**



*A Border Rescue interview being carried out with our agent in blue and the local police.*



# 2020 ACCOUNTABILITY AND INTEGRITY

**Integrity is not a word taken lightly at Destiny Rescue. The very battle we fight is the result of men and women acting in egregious opposition to integrity as they exploit young lives for a profit or to gratify their twisted sexual desires. To fight such a distortion of humanity we must, in all avenues, maintain an integrity that is stronger than the corruption of our opposition.**

## Rescue Agent Accountability

Integrity is the bedrock of our rescue teams. Agents work in teams, either with other Destiny Rescue agents or with law enforcement, both for safety and accountability purposes. Rescue agents, rescue managers and other team members are in constant communication throughout the entire process of a rescue. There are no lone rangers in Destiny Rescue operations.



*Rescue Agents operate in tandem to clear rooms in a makeshift brothel known to house young girls.*

## Qualifying a Victim

Agents follow specific criteria to qualify an effort as an official rescue. If either the target or situation does not meet the critical criteria, even if aid was rendered, the effort would not be counted or reported as a rescue. Information to qualify a rescue is always corroborated by video evidence and/or the account of more than one witness. In instances where law enforcement is involved, the official police report is required to verify arrest and rescue details. In a border rescue, an in-depth interview process is used to determine if a situation is a trafficking event in play.

## Rescue Verification

After an individual is qualified as a victim and a rescue takes place, there is still a final step before a rescue is officially counted. Given the volatile nature of trauma, after a child is rescued, his or her file is put on hold for seven days. This does not mean care is put on hold. If, after seven days the child has not returned to a situation of exploitation, the hold is removed and the case can be counted as an official rescue.

### Case records

A case record for each rescued person is created in our secure, internal database where rescues are batched and the numbers are reported internally weekly.

### Public Reporting of Rescue

Using these verified reports, rescue updates are assembled as drafts for public announcement. Each update passes through specific approvals to ensure the protection and anonymity of the survivors and operatives before being published.

### Destiny Rescue aims to continue providing accurate and timely rescue updates.

As our vital work expands and evolves, these classification and reporting processes get vetted, updated and automated wherever needed.

## SUMMARY

From start to finish, our rescue and reporting process is governed by policies to ensure integrity and establish trust. The people involved in each step all share a heart to protect children and serve each one as best as we can. After seeing the entire process through, sharing a rescue update is one of our favourite ways to celebrate the victories made possible by our dedicated staff, volunteers and generous donors.



*A female Border Agent processes information from a minor identified and rescued during a border crossing interception.*



*A minor is filmed by Destiny Rescue Agents during a covert operation in the Philippines. The pimp, (in blue to the extreme right of shot), was later arrested by local law enforcement.*

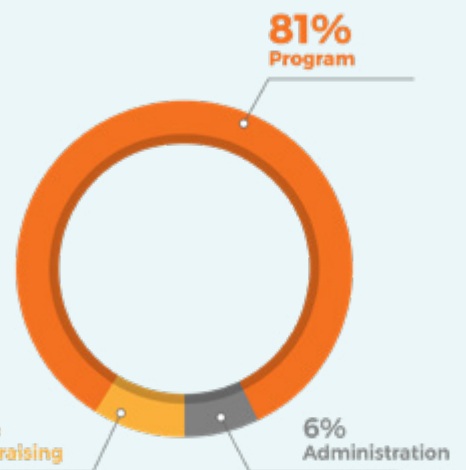


Information to qualify a human trafficking situation is always corroborated by video evidence. Hidden cameras are utilised to capture money changing hands to aid police in making an arrest.



## FINANCIAL INTEGRITY

Destiny Rescue is a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and fully complies with the ACNCs governance standards, including the new External Conduct Standards. We are a recognised member of The Australian Council for International Development (ACFID), and are committed to full adherence with the ACFID Code of Conduct. We are also a code-compliant member of the Fundraising Institute of Australia (FIA). The FIA code sets a high standard for fundraisers ensuring all funds are collected ethically and with accountability to all stakeholders.



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MEMBER



FIA  
ORGANISATIONAL  
MEMBER  
CODE COMPLIANT



# SENIOR LEADERSHIP



## FIONA BERKIN

**In April 2021, Fiona Berkin, Destiny Rescue Australia CEO, announced her resignation. She was thrilled to pass on the baton to her successor, Paul Mergard, our former Executive Manager Partnerships.**

Over the past two years, despite the Covid-19 environment, international lockdowns and Australia's first recession in nearly three decades, Fiona propelled Destiny Rescue Australia to outstanding growth outcomes.

**Destiny Rescue Australia improved its systems and strategies and increased funds into international rescue operations and survivor care by almost 100%!**

Within that time, we have also seen a turnaround in our organisation internationally, including strengthened partnerships with federal police

forces, driving rescue raids to multiply results. Apart from the high numbers of children rescued, another major milestone was the increase in arrests and prosecution of traffickers. Whether it is the recruiters, pimps, venue owners, managers, or abusers and paedophiles, these criminals and their networks are now regularly facing legal consequences.

**These are incredible achievements our teams and supporters can celebrate together.**

Although we were sad to see Fiona step away from her current role, we are thrilled Paul Mergard is taking us forward. Paul has come from 20 years of leadership roles. He has been on the frontline with assignments in trafficking and has a well-rounded knowledge of the not-for-profit sector.



# CEO CHANGEOVER



## PAUL MERGARD

- CEO Destiny Rescue Australia

**In 2019, Paul joined the Destiny Rescue Australia team as our Executive Partnerships Manager. In April 2021, he was appointed as CEO of Destiny Rescue Australia.**

Paul has a Graduate Diploma in International Development and spent many years in the developing world, working with people who lived in extreme poverty or who fell victim to slavery.

For two decades, Paul has fought for the rights of children trapped in the most horrific situations, both in Australia and overseas. Trained as an accountant with KPMG, he has also worked in leadership

roles with two of Australia's largest charities, The Salvation Army and Compassion. Paul contributed to overall strategies that helped raise funds, create awareness around their work and improve the lives of the people they supported. During this time, Paul saw first-hand the catastrophic impact that human trafficking had on the lives of children. He also witnessed the exhilaration and sheer relief of survivors when freed.

**The Team at Destiny Rescue Australia would like to thank Fiona for generously investing her heart, knowledge and skill set into our work – and progressing us with ambition and reassurance. She was a significant part of our evolutionary success and will always be one of the Destiny Rescue family.**



# PARTNERSHIPS REPORT

## A SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES.

**At the beginning of 2020, under a mandate from the Destiny Rescue Australia Board, our Partnership Team set out with a new direction and passion to engage more Australians.** We aimed to

significantly increase the level of support to our project nations, so we can fulfill the vision of Destiny Rescue to see an end of the sexualisation of children in our lifetime.

**We recruited several new Partnership Managers across the country, including our first Partnership Manager in Perth, WA. This renewed Partnership Team were commissioned to:**

- generate connection with our supporters,
- engage new businesses, community groups, churches and corporates to raise funds for the rescue of children,
- and inspire awareness and education on the plight of children sold into the sex trade.

Little did we know, COVID-19 was about to hit. But thankfully, we had put the building blocks in place for this new strategy before the virus began to spread. Over the initial few months of lockdowns and restrictions, our team:

- got busy on the phone,
- learned to navigate Zoom like Ninjas,
- and engaged with Aussies in a way our organisation had never seen before.

This resulted in a significant increase of support, new donors, and thousands of Australians becoming aware of the issues of human trafficking, including how we in Australia may contribute to the trade.

Our partnership team, agents and the rescued are so grateful for you who have opened your churches, workplaces, homes and community groups. Thank you for welcoming us into your families and communities. Thank you for giving us a seat at your table to share our hearts for the most vulnerable in our world.

You are the real heroes in finding and freeing children – because you stand in the gap – to make rescue possible.

Thank you for all you do.  
Until every precious one is free.



**PAUL MERGARD**

Former Executive Manager Partnerships  
- now CEO

# MARKETING REPORT

## A SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES.

2020 was a year full of emotional ups and downs. Yet it turned out to be one of the best years to date for Destiny Rescue Australia.

**In the Marketing Team, we did a complete restructure of our operations to improve performance.**

An Executive Manager of Marketing was appointed in February. As a result of this restructure and refocus, Destiny Rescue embarked on a process of generating new support for the raids and rescues we do by using new digital technologies and processes to drive greater income and efficiencies. The positive outcomes we saw as a results, include:

- **In April, at the onset of COVID-19, we launched a Crisis Appeal despite a dark environment**
- **Our End of Financial Year appeal set out to fund 20 raids in the Philippines, which we are excited to announce that we were able to achieve..**
- **The 'I see You' Christmas campaign enabled our teams to rescue many more children because of your generosity.**

We can attribute this growth to impactful donor journeys, including a relational phone call for all new supporters. The reporting and story content supplied by Destiny Rescue International has been rich, providing a powerful connection between our supporters and the children waiting to get rescued. Above all, the growth has come as consistent best-practice communication and marketing have been established with regular updates, compelling campaigns and intentional donor journeys.

Thank you to every one of our donors. Thank you for faithfully connecting to the heart of what we are all fighting for. Together, let's keep finding and freeing these young ones.

Let's keep growing in 2021!



**GEOFF HARRISON**  
Executive Manager Marketing

# FINANCE REPORT

## A SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES.

**2020 – the year of COVID-19 – has been a monumental season of reset for most individuals, businesses and organisations. It was no different at Destiny Rescue.**

The year started slowly. Major fires raged throughout Australia, resulting in the devastating loss of lives, livestock and property. This was promptly followed by a global outbreak and the outlook for most charities in Australia was bleak.

To survive – and continue our essential work – Destiny Rescue had to completely review its business, from raising revenue to cutting costs. Our staff tooled up to work from home. We reconfigured our systems and the way we interacted with our sponsors and donors – all of whom were going through changes as well.

### **We trimmed everything back to basics.**

- **At one stage, we were without premises to operate from for five months.**
- **We moved from server-based IT to cloud-based, which reduced our overall running cost of IT and assisted in our home office set-ups for staff.**
- **We changed accounting/payroll packages – a major endeavour that has shaved a significant amount off our expenses.**

- **We tried wherever possible to source businesses that would donate the essential services we required.**

**The savings created due to these activities was then utilised to rescue more children in our project nations.**

**To add to these savings, we posted the second-best revenue in Destiny Rescue's 20-year history, of close to \$4 million!**

This is all due to the generosity of our donors and sponsors and also recording our best surplus ever. Our team is encouraged to have even more funds available for our essential rescue work!

We are thrilled to have operated in the Philippines since 2014, rescuing 1,580 children in that time; and also assist in that community by employing four local staff for Finance and Admin duties.

We are looking forward to a bigger and brighter 2021 – where we can build on the gains made in 2020.

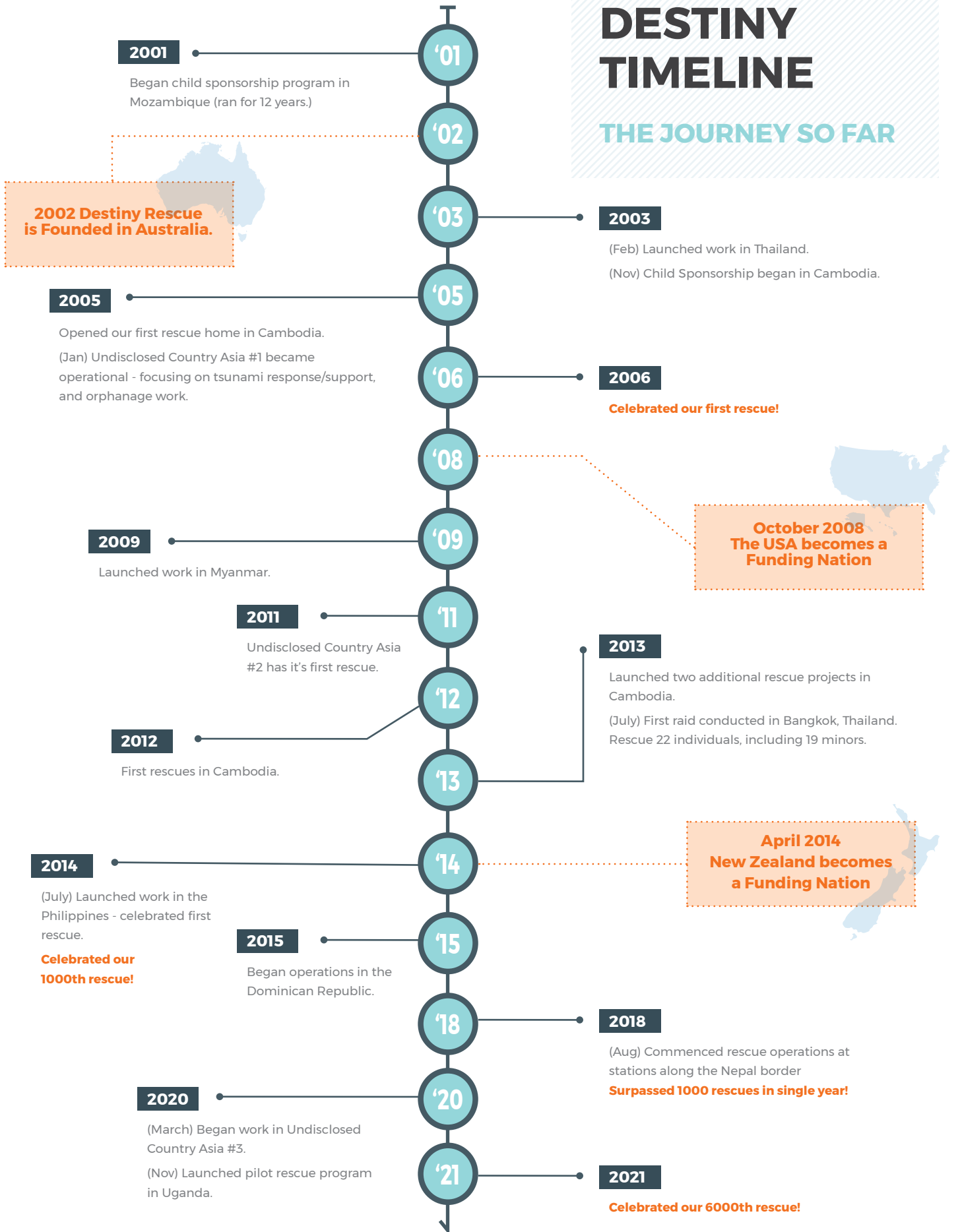


**BILL ALLAN**  
Chief Financial Officer



# DESTINY TIMELINE

## THE JOURNEY SO FAR



# WHO WE ARE

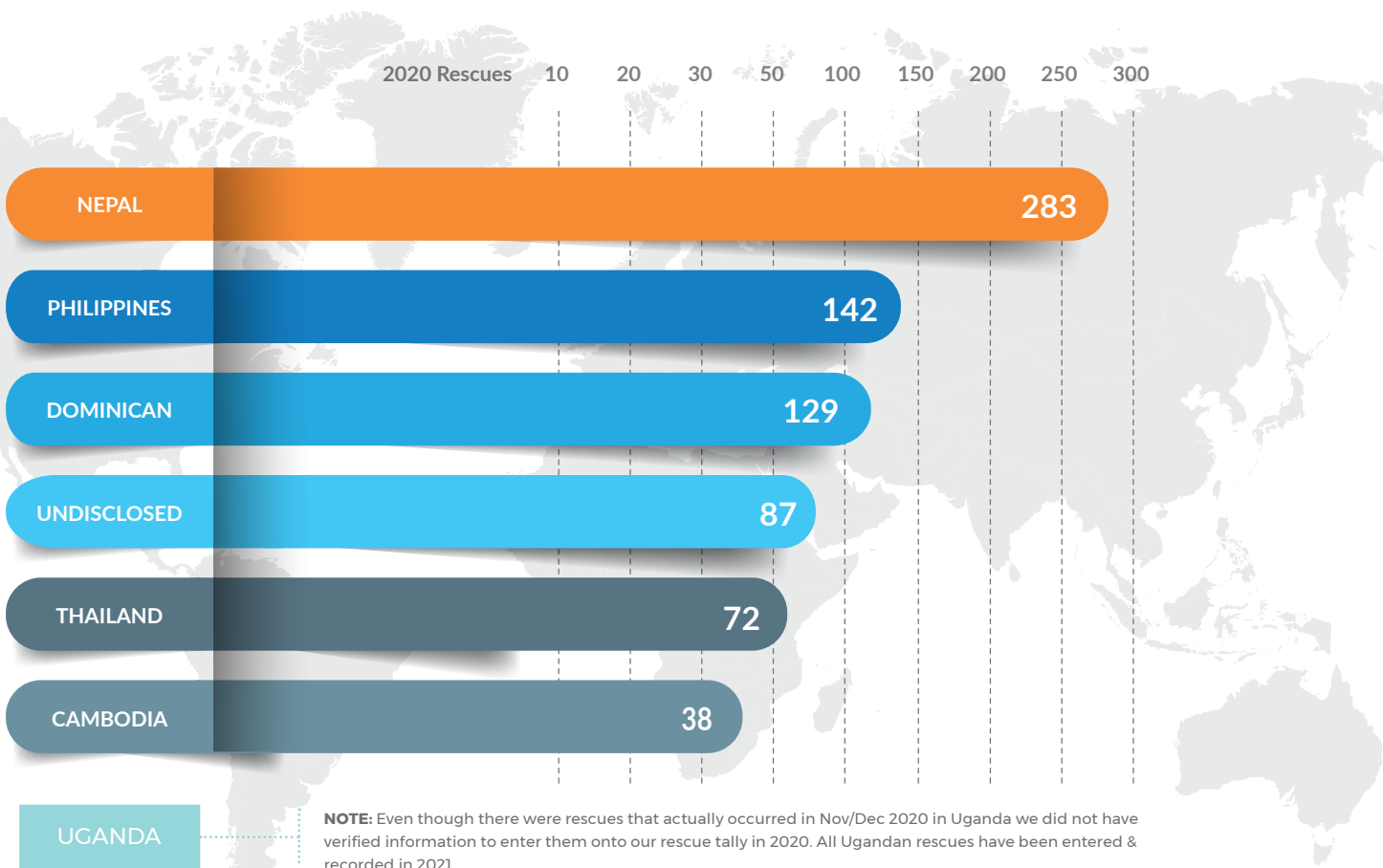
**Destiny Rescue is an international organisation with a mission to rescue children from sexual exploitation and human trafficking and help them stay free.**

Since 2011, we have rescued over 5,802\* enslaved individuals, helped keep hundreds more from entering the sex trade, ensured justice for those who have been wronged, and raised awareness across the globe.

**SINCE 2011  
WE HAVE  
RESCUED  
5,802\*  
SURVIVORS**

\*at 31/12/2020

# WHERE WE WORK & RESCUES BY COUNTRY



## OUR DISTINCTIVE



### **OUR AGENTS SEARCH, IDENTIFY & RESCUE**

Our highly-trained teams of agents go undercover into some of the darkest places on the planet to search for children trapped in sex trafficking and exploitation. Once identified, agents work relentlessly to bring these children to freedom.

### **WE RESCUE CHILDREN**

Our mission and primary focus is to rescue children. Night after night we enter establishments looking for minors who are being sexually exploited. Although we are not actively searching for adults who are trafficked – while we are in pursuit of rescuing children, we often encounter and free individuals who are over 18 years of age.

### **WE RESCUE GIRLS & BOYS**

Although most of those we rescue are female, and we refer to “her” throughout most of our communications, we also rescue males.

### **WE HELP SURVIVORS STAY FREE**

Once rescued, the individual’s needs are met. When safe to do so, she is reunified with family and/or her community. Assessment reveals if she needs care within her community provided by Destiny Rescue or help from another provider. If the child’s environment is unsafe, she enters a residential home program. This could be a Destiny Rescue home, a partner-referred home or a government-assigned shelter/home.

### **REINTEGRATION INTO FREEDOM**

When we are involved in reintegration, a member of our reintegration team will develop an individualised Path to Freedom for the child. This plan focuses on decreasing the vulnerabilities that led to her getting exploited while providing new opportunities that allow her to flourish in freedom. Every child is unique and so are her vulnerabilities. This means that every child’s Path to Freedom looks different.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS



## **Tony Kirwan**

Destiny Rescue President & Founder

Tony Kirwan has always had a heart to see children rescued from poverty and abuse, and after running his own electrical contracting company for ten years, he sold everything and began Destiny Rescue in 2001. Tony believes in leading from the front. Residing in Thailand, he and his teams around the world are actively involved in the rescue of young children from the sex industry and building an organisation that combats this crime against humanity.



## **James Condon**

Commissioner Emeritus The Salvation Army

James Condon has served with The Salvation Army for over 50 years in 3 countries – Australia, United Kingdom and Papua New Guinea. He has a heart and passion for those who suffer abuse, neglect and poverty. He has been a member of Rotary International for 49 years. He is excited to be a Board Member of Destiny Rescue\* and contributing to seeing children across the world rescued from the sex industry and for them to find freedom and a new way of life.

\*(Joined in January 2021)



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## **Joshua Evans**

Director

Joshua Evans is the Head of Finance, Energy and Resources at Sodexo Asia-Pacific. He has served on a number of boards, usually as a company secretary. He enjoys helping teams and mentoring people. Joshua has a strong background in helping executive teams turn around companies. Starting out in the manufacturing industry, he moved to the services industry, where his path crossed with Fiona Berkin at Morris Corporation where they were members of its executive team. Fiona's excitement for her new role as CEO and Destiny Rescue's cause was infectious and Joshua readily accepted the offer to join our board. The diversity of his experience and track record in helping teams succeed will no doubt be valuable in fulfilling our vision and ambitious goals.



## **Lachlan Anderson**

Treasurer

Lachlan has completed his Bachelor of Finance at Latrobe University in Melbourne and has been in the financial services industry since 2010. He is currently working as a Financial Planner in Melbourne, and believes this experience has helped provide insights and effective leadership for Destiny Rescue. Lachlan has visited some of the projects of Destiny Rescue and personally believes we are making a real positive difference in the lives of those who need it the most!



## **Chris Lawley**

Director

Chris was connected with Destiny Rescue for years as a donor and passionate supporter before accepting our invitation to join the board in September 2019. He has held senior sales executive positions for over a decade, initially as Vice President of Sales at ANZ and then, from 2017, Vice President of Sales at Diligent Corporation in Asia-Pacific. He is currently Executive Vice President of Sales at Internet 2.0.

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# Director's Report

The directors present their report on the company for the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

## Directors

The names of the each person who has been a director during the year and to the date of this report are:

- **Tony Kirwan** – Director
- **Lachlan Anderson** – Director
- **Joshua Evans** – Director
- **Chris Lawley** – Director

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

## Principal Activities

The principal activities of the Company during the financial year were to rescue children from human trafficking and sexual exploitation.

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

## Short-Term and Long-Term Objectives

### The company's short-term objectives are to:

- provide mentoring and specialist children support services that develop wellbeing, resilience and transfer life skills;
- support underprivileged and at-risk children by engaging all sectors of the community in ongoing partnerships and support programs; and

- be a recognised leader in the provision of specialist children services as evidenced by the success of programs and practices.

### The company's long-term objects are to:

- establish and maintain relationships that foster social inclusion and community reconnection for underprivileged and at-risk children; and
- be sustainable and strive for continuous improvement so as to offer the best possible outcomes for the children requiring its assistance.

## Strategies

### To achieve its stated objectives, the company has adopted the following strategies:

- The company strives to attract and retain quality staff and volunteers who are committed to working with underprivileged and at-risk children. The directors consider that attracting and retaining quality staff and volunteers are essential for the company to continue providing the services that it does, and critical to it achieving all of its short-term and long-term objectives.
- The company establishes and fosters working partnerships with a range of community stakeholders.

By actively encouraging and facilitating stakeholder involvement in the entity's activities, the company will be able to achieve its short-term objectives of supporting children by engaging sectors from the community and being a recognised leader in the provision of children services.

## Key Performance Measures

The company measures its own performance through the use of both quantitative and qualitative benchmarks. The benchmarks are used by the directors to assess the financial sustainability of the company and whether the company's short-term and long-term objectives are being achieved.

## Information on Directors

<b>Tony Kirwan</b>	-	Director & Founder
Experience & Expertise	-	Involvement in business ownership & management for over 24 years. Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors
Special Responsibilities	-	President & Chairman of Destiny Rescue International
<b>Lachlan Anderson</b>	-	Director & Treasurer
Experience & Expertise	-	Bachelor of Finance. Involvement in the financial services industry for over 9 years. Previous experience as member of management committee for ministry. Member of Financial Planning Association of Australia "FPAA".
Special Responsibilities	-	None
<b>Joshua Evans</b>	-	Director
Experience & Expertise	-	Has served on a number of Boards, usually in Capacity of Company Secretary. The diversity of his experience and track record in helping teams succeed will no doubt be valuable in fulfilling our vision and meeting our ambitious goals.
Special Responsibilities	-	None
<b>Chris Lawley</b>	-	Director
Experience & Expertise	-	AICD member, GM for a SaaS company (Blink) and held executive positions for more than a decade. He holds two Diplomas and have recently commenced MBA.
Special Responsibilities	-	None

## Meeting of Directors

During the financial year, 4 director's meetings were held. Attendances by each director were as follows:

<b>Director's Meetings</b>		
	<b>Number eligible to attend</b>	<b>Number attended</b>
Tony Kirwan	4	4
Lachlan Anderson	4	4
Joshua Evans	4	4
Chris Lawley	4	4

## Members' Guarantee

The company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a company limited by guarantee. If the company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$10 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity.

At 31 December 2020, the total amount that members of the company are liable to contribute if the company is wound up is \$40.

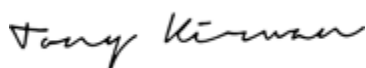
## Operating Result

The operating surplus for the year ended 31 December 2020 amounted to \$477,511 (2019: \$44,264).

## Auditor's Independence Declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 31 December 2020 is set out on the following page.

This director's report is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:



**Tony Kirwan** (President)

29 April 2021





**AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER S60-40 OF THE AUSTRALIAN CHARITIES AND NOT-FOR-PROFITS COMMISSION ACT 2012  
TO THE DIRECTORS OF DESTINY RESCUE LIMITED**

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 December 2020 there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the independence requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Bentleys Brisbane (Audit) Pty Ltd  
Chartered Accountants

Ashley Carle  
Partner  
Brisbane  
29 April 2021

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## Profit or Loss

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income  
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Note	2020	2019
		\$	\$
Revenue	2	3,441,785	2,797,868
Other income	2	490,917	164,065
Cost of sales	3	-	(28,703)
Employee benefits expense		(1,671,206)	(1,441,324)
Depreciation and amortisation		(44,429)	(62,178)
Fees and charges		(43,261)	(50,788)
Project expenses	3	(1,341,333)	(905,631)
Repairs and maintenance		(5,734)	(10,894)
Property Costs		(18,848)	(10,397)
Other expenses		(328,548)	(397,319)
Finance costs		(1,832)	(10,435)
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) before income tax</b>		477,511	44,264
Income tax (expense) benefit	1(a)	-	-
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the year</b>		477,511	44,264
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year</b>		-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		<b>477,511</b>	<b>44,264</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

# Financial Position

Statement of financial position  
as at 31 December 2020

	Note	2020	2019
		\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	864,059	313,573
Trade and other receivables	6	1,325	19,318
Other Assets	7	17,124	-
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>882,508</b>	<b>332,891</b>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	8	103,484	72,550
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>103,484</b>	<b>72,550</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>985,992</b>	<b>405,441</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	9	237,178	148,013
Current tax liabilities	10	2,168	(1,781)
Financial liabilities	11	28,200	38,128
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>267,546</b>	<b>184,360</b>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Financial liabilities	11	35,922	14,370
Provisions	12	12,312	14,010
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>48,234</b>	<b>28,380</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>315,780</b>	<b>212,740</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>670,212</b>	<b>192,701</b>
<b>MEMBER'S FUNDS</b>			
Retained surplus		670,212	192,701
<b>TOTAL MEMBER'S FUNDS</b>		<b>670,212</b>	<b>192,701</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

# Changes in Equity

Statement of changes in equity  
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Retained Earnings
	\$
<b>Balance at 1 January 2019</b>	148,437
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	44,264
<b>Balance at 31 December 2019</b>	192,701
<b>Balance at 1 January 2020</b>	192,701
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	477,511
<b>Balance at 31 December 2020</b>	<b>670,212</b>



# Cash Flows

Statement of cash flows  
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Note	2020	2019
		\$	\$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Receipts from customers		3,950,322	2,990,954
Program payments and payments to suppliers and employees		(3,338,911)	(2,872,443)
Interest received		373	1,046
Interest paid		(1,832)	(10,435)
Net cash generated by/(used in) operating activities	17	609,952	109,122
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(23,733)	(26,883)
Net cash used in investing activities		(23,733)	(26,883)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Repayment of borrowings		(35,733)	(59,867)
Net cash used in financing activities		(35,733)	(59,867)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		550,486	22,372
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		313,573	291,201
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>864,059</b>	<b>313,573</b>

# Notes

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

The financial statements and notes represent those of Destiny Rescue Ltd.

The financial statements were authorised for issue on the date that the director's declaration was signed.

### **NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **Basis of Preparation**

Destiny Rescue Ltd applies Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements as set out in AASB1053: Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Australian Charities and Not-for profits Commission Act 2012.

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

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

#### **Accounting Policies**

##### **a. Income Tax**

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

##### **b. Inventories**

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned on the basis of weighted average costs.

##### **c. Property, Plant and Equipment**

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

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis and are therefore carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. In the event the carrying amount of plant and equipment is greater than the estimated recoverable amount, the carrying amount is written down immediately to the estimated recoverable amount and impairment losses recognised either in profit or loss or as a revaluation decrease if the impairment losses relate to a revalued asset. A formal assessment of recoverable amount is made when impairment indicators are present (refer to Note 1(e) for details of impairment).

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 Company and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are recognised as expenses in profit or loss during the financial period in which they are incurred.

# Notes

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets, including buildings and capitalised lease assets but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a diminishing value basis over the asset's useful life to the Company commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements. Depreciation is recognised in profit or loss.

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

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Plant and equipment	10-66%
Office machinery	50-66%
Furniture and fixtures	20%
Motor vehicles	25%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

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 recognised in profit or loss when the item is derecognised. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

#### d. Leased Assets

At inception of a contract, the Company assesses if the contract contains or is a lease. If there is a lease present, a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability is recognised by

the Company where the Company is a lessee. However, all contracts classified as short-term leases (with a remaining lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets are recognised as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Initially the lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments still to be paid at commencement date. The lease payments are discounted at the interest rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, the Company uses the incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are as follows:

- Fixed lease payments less any lease incentives;
- Variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate, initially measured using the index or rate at the commencement date;
- The amount expected to be paid by the lessee under residual value guarantees;
- The exercise price of purchase options, if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise the options;
- Lease payments under extension options, if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise the options; and
- Payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the exercise of an option to terminate the lease.

At inception of a contract, the Company assesses if the contract contains or is a lease. If there is a lease present, a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability is recognised by the Company where the Company is a lessee. However, all contracts classified as short-term leases (with a remaining lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets are recognised as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

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## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

Initially the lease liability is measured at the present value of the lease payments still to be paid at commencement date. The lease payments are discounted at the interest rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, the Company uses the incremental borrowing rate.

### **NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)**

#### **e. Impairment of Assets**

At the end of each reporting period, the company assesses whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. The assessment will include considering external sources of information and internal sources of information. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount in accordance with another Standard (eg in accordance with the revaluation model in AASB 116: Property, Plant and Equipment). Any impairment loss of a revalued asset is treated as a revaluation decrease in accordance with that other Standard.

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

#### **f. Employee Benefits.**

##### **Short-term employee benefits.**

Provision is made for the Company's obligation for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term

employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.

The Company's obligations for short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and sick leave are recognised as part of current trade and other payables in the statement of financial position.

##### **Other long-term employee benefits**

Provision is made for employees' long service leave and annual leave entitlements not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service. Other long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures, and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Upon the remeasurement of obligations for other long-term employee benefits, the net change in the obligation is recognised in profit or loss as part of employee benefits expense.

The Company's obligations for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current provisions in its statement of financial position, except where the Company does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

##### **Retirement benefit obligations. *Defined contribution superannuation benefits***

All employees of the Company receive defined contribution superannuation entitlements, for which the Company pays the fixed superannuation guarantee contribution (currently 9.5% of the employee's average ordinary salary) to the employee's superannuation fund of choice.



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## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

All contributions in respect of employees' defined contribution entitlements are recognised as an expense when they become payable. The Company's obligation with respect to employees' defined contribution entitlements is limited to its obligation for any unpaid superannuation guarantee contributions at the end of the reporting period. All obligations for unpaid superannuation guarantee contributions are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled and are presented as current liabilities in the Company's statement of financial position.

### **g. Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the company 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.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

### **h. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

### **i. Revenue and Other Income**

Revenue from awareness/donations, sponsorship and team fees are recognised as revenue upon receipt.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised at the time the goods are supplied to customers.

Grant revenue is recognised as revenue on receipt, unless sufficiently specific performance obligations exist. In this case, the revenue is recognised when the obligations are satisfied.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

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

### **j. Trade and Other Receivables**

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from customers for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment. Refer to Note 1(f) for further discussion on determination of impairment losses.

### **k. Trade and Other Payables**

Trade and other payables represent the liabilities for goods and services received by the Company that remain unpaid at the end of the reporting period. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

### **l. 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 (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities, which are recoverable from or payable to the ATO, are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

# Notes

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

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### **m. Comparative Figures**

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

### **n. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements**

The directors evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Company.

### **Key estimates**

#### **(i) Impairment - general**

The Company assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluation of conditions and events specific to the company that may be indicative of impairment triggers.

#### **o. Foreign Currency Transactions and Balances**

##### **Functional and presentation currency**

The functional currency of the entity is measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which that entity operates. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the parent entity's functional and presentation currency. There has been no change in the functional and presentation currency of the Company.

# Notes

Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2020

## NOTE 2: REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>Revenue</b>		
- Awareness/Donations	1,292,540	1,376,494
- Sponsorship	2,149,245	1,398,144
- Team fees	-	23,230
	3,441,785	2,797,868
<b>Other income:</b>		
- Sales	15,361	138,941
- Interest received	373	1,046
- Grants received	450,813	-
- Other income	24,370	24,078
	490,917	164,065
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>3,932,702</b>	<b>2,961,933</b>

## NOTE 3: SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
The surplus/(deficit) for the year has been determined after charging the following costs:		
<b>Cost of sales:</b>		
Opening stock on hand	-	13,640
Purchases	-	11,042
Other direct costs	-	4,021
Less Closing stock	-	-
<b>Total cost of sales</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,703</b>

# Notes

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

### NOTE 3: SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR (CONT'D)

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>Project expenses:</b>		
<b>Program distributions:</b>		
Thailand	268,000	288,105
Cambodia	135,000	40,043
Undisclosed*	5,200	12,627
Dominican Republic	6,586	-
Philippines	119,000	206,000
Nepal	184,000	20,000
Destiny Rescue International	551,201	298,252
Program distribution fees	-	521
	1,268,987	865,548
<b>Other Project Expenses:</b>		
Fundraising platform fees	68,467	23,432
Project expenses	-	951
Team expenses	3,879	6,829
General expenses	-	8,871
	72,346	40,083
	<b>1,341,333</b>	<b>905,631</b>

\*Undisclosed Nations - For the safety of our team and beneficiaries, we cannot talk about these countries, project, or people publicly.

# Notes

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

### NOTE 4: KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION

The totals of remuneration paid to key management personnel (KMP) of the Company during the year are as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Key management personnel compensation	481,012	342,279

During 2020, 4 staff were categorised as key management personnel (2019: 6).

### NOTE 5: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash at bank	859,113	308,717
Cash on hand	4,946	4,856
	864,059	313,573

#### Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows are reconciled to items in the statement of financial position as follows:

<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>	864,059	313,573
	<b>864,059</b>	<b>313,573</b>



# Notes

Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2020

## NOTE 6: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Rental bond	1,325	19,318
<b>Total current trade and other receivables</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>19,318</b>

## NOTE 7: OTHER ASSETS

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Prepayments	17,124	-
<b>Total other assets</b>	<b>17,124</b>	<b>-</b>

# Notes

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

### NOTE 9: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>Plant and equipment:</b>		
At cost	6,383	6,383
Accumulated depreciation	(6,232)	(5,889)
	151	494
<b>Office equipment:</b>		
At cost	94,691	73,058
Accumulated depreciation	(53,953)	(44,856)
	40,738	28,202
<b>Furniture and fixtures:</b>		
At cost	704	704
Accumulated depreciation	(704)	(704)
	-	-
<b>Motor vehicles:</b>		
At cost	119,909	144,288
Accumulated depreciation	(99,246)	(116,447)
	20,663	27,841
<b>Right of Use Asset</b>		
At cost	51,630	64,037
Accumulated depreciation	(9,698)	(48,024)
	41,932	16,013
Total net carrying amount	<b>103,484</b>	<b>72,550</b>

(b) Reconciliation of carrying amounts at the beginning and end of the period

# Notes

Notes to the financial statements  
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## NOTE 8: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (cont'd)

	Right of Use asset – (Lease)	Plant and equipment	Office equipment	Furniture & fixtures	Motor vehicles	<b>Total</b>
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>2020</b>						
Carrying amount opening balance	16,013	494	28,202	-	27,841	72,550
Add: additions	51,630	-	21,633	-	2,100	73,263
Less: depreciation expense	(25,711)	(343)	(9,097)	-	(9,278)	(44,429)
<b>Carrying amount closing balance</b>	<b>41,932</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>40,738</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,663</b>	<b>103,484</b>

## NOTE 9: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Trade payables	31,979	68,344
Accrued Expenses	113,750	59,247
Employee provisions – short term	91,449	20,422
<b>Total Trade payables</b>	<b>237,178</b>	<b>148,013</b>

## NOTE 10: TAX LIABILITIES

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
<b>CURRENT</b>		
GST payable / (receivable)	(15,290)	(9,151)
PAYG payable	17,458	7,370
	<b>2,168</b>	<b>(1,781)</b>

# Notes

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<b>NOTE 11: FINANCIAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Hire purchase	14,564	13,411
Credit card	3,541	7,814
Lease Liability	10,095	16,903
	<b>28,200</b>	<b>38,128</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT</b>		
Hire purchase	-	14,370
Lease Liability	35,922	-
	<b>35,922</b>	<b>14,370</b>
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>64,122</b>	<b>52,498</b>
<b>NOTE 12: PROVISIONS</b>		
	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT</b>		
Long Service Leave	12,312	14,010
<b>Total Provisions</b>	<b>12,312</b>	<b>14,010</b>

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## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

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### **NOTE 13: EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD**

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

### **NOTE 14: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

#### **Related Parties**

The Company's main related parties are as follows:

#### **a. Key management personnel**

Any person(s) having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly, including any directors (whether executive or otherwise), are considered key management personnel.

For details of disclosures relating to key management personnel, refer to Note 4.

#### **b. Other related parties**

Other related parties include close family members of key management personnel and entities that are controlled or significantly influenced by those key management personnel, individually or collectively with their close family members.

#### **c. Transactions with related parties**

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.



# Notes

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

### NOTE 15: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, local money market instruments, short-term investments, accounts receivable and payable, loans to and from subsidiaries, bills, leases, preference shares and derivatives.

The carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 9: *Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement* as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows:

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
<b>Financial assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	864,059	313,573
Loans and receivables	6	1,325	19,318
<b>Total financial assets</b>		<b>865,384</b>	<b>332,981</b>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>			
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:			
- trade payables	9	237,178	148,013
- current tax liabilities	10	2,168	(1,781)
- borrowings	11	64,122	52,498
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>		<b>303,468</b>	<b>198,730</b>

### NOTE 16: FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Company does not subsequently measure any liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis and has no assets or liabilities that are measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis.

# Notes

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## NOTE 17: RECONCILIATION OF SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER INCOME TAX TO NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	477,511	44,264
<b>Add/(deduct) non-cash items:</b>		
Depreciation	44,429	62,178
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities:</b>		
(Increase)/Decrease in trade and other receivables	17,993	1,249
(Increase)/Decrease in other assets	(17,124)	4,717
(Increase)/Decrease in inventories	-	13,640
Increase/(Decrease) in trade and other payables	88,841	1,461
Increase/(Decrease) in provisions	(1,698)	(18,387)
<b>Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities</b>	<b>609,952</b>	<b>109,122</b>

## NOTE 18: Contingencies and Commitments

### Guarantees

Destiny Rescue Ltd has not entered into any guarantees in the current or previous financial years.

### Contingent Liabilities

At 31 December 2020 Destiny Rescue Ltd did not have any contingent liabilities (2019: Nil).

### Contractual Commitments

At 31 December 2020 Destiny Rescue Ltd had not entered into any contractual commitments for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment.

# Director's Declaration

Destiny Rescue Ltd  
Financial report for the year ended 31 December 2020

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**The directors of Destiny Rescue Ltd declare that, in the directors' opinion:**

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out herein, are in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012* and:
  - a. comply with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements; and
  - b. give a true and fair view of the financial position of Destiny Rescue Ltd as at 31 December 2020 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. There are reasonable grounds to believe that Destiny Rescue Ltd will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Regulation 2013*.



**Tony Kirwan** (President)

Dated this 29th of April 2021

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF DESTINY RESCUE LIMITED



### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Destiny Rescue Limited (the Company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion the financial report of the Company is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2020 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (Reduced Disclosure Requirements), and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

#### Basis for Opinion

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

We confirm that the independence declaration, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

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

#### Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Group's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2019, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

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

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

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

#### Responsibility of the Directors' for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and of the financial report the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012*. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

The directors are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF DESTINY RESCUE LIMITED (CONT'D)



### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material, if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedure that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the registered entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the financial report. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the Group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Bentleys Brisbane (Audit) Pty Ltd  
Chartered Accountants

Ashley Carle  
Partner  
Brisbane  
5 May 2021





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