Annual Report 2025

Destiny Rescue™
RESCUING CHILDREN

Two survivors from our Zimbabwe project tend to the garden as part of their vocational training

Rescuing Children

FOR OVER
24 YEARS!

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Mission

We rescue children from sexual exploitation and human trafficking and equip them to stay free.

Vision

Our vision is to play a leading role in ending the sexual exploitation and trafficking of children in our lifetime.

Aims

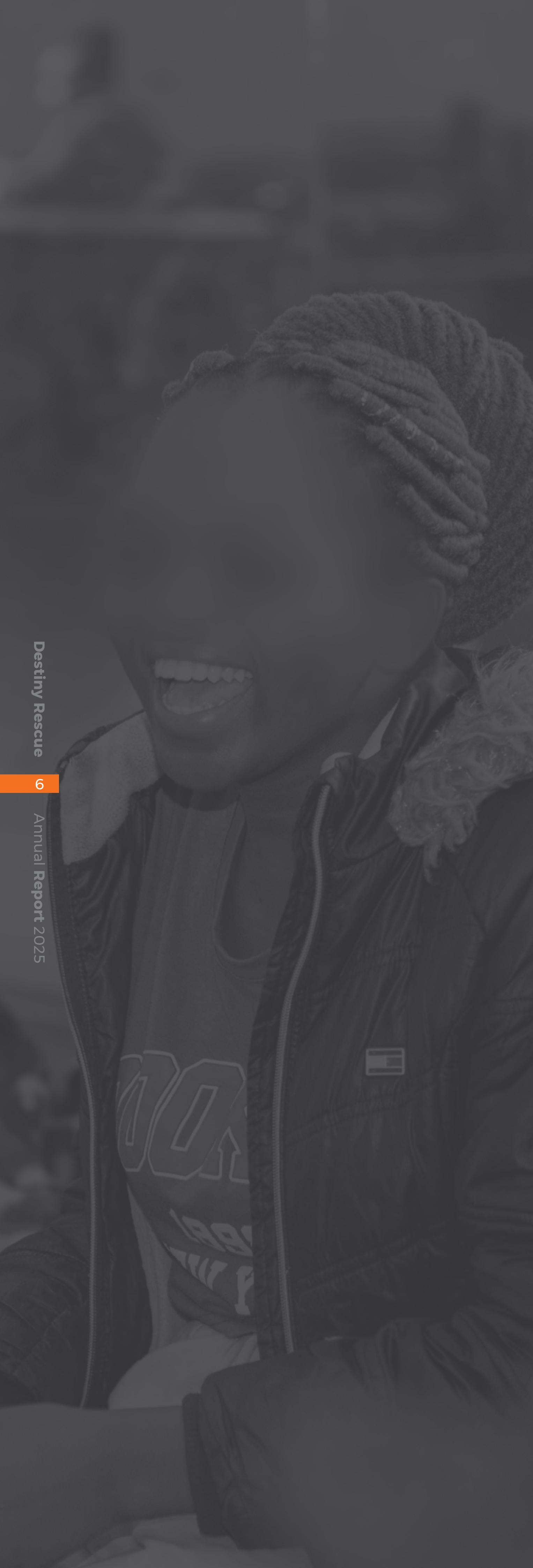
We aim to continue to expand our work:

- Rescuing children and adults experiencing exploitation around the world
- Preventing exploitation through border intervention alongside awareness and prevention initiatives
- Supporting law enforcement partners in the pursuit of justice for those who have been harmed
- Raising awareness and strengthening community response to protect vulnerable children

Values

Above all, we want to inspire action. Whether we're speaking with our largest donor or our youngest volunteer, our goal is for every interaction with Destiny Rescue to be meaningful and filled with the possibility of rescue.

We are also committed to clear and integrous communication. We believe in transparency at every level, and we work hard to ensure our communications are truthful, respectful, and accurate.



MESSAGE FROM OUR Founder

2025 was our biggest year yet.

More than 5,000 people found freedom through Destiny Rescue's work during the year—that's more than 5,000 lives changed forever. More than 5,000 people now have opportunities that simply didn't exist before.

While those numbers matter, I've never been interested in statistics for their own sake.

Every number in this report represents a real person.

Someone who, at one point, needed another human being to step in and say, "Enough. This ends today."

None of this happened because of one person or one team. It happened because people around the world chose to get involved. Rescue agents, investigators, social workers, support staff, volunteers, donors and partners all played a role. Thousands of people, many of whom will never meet the children they helped, chose to stand with us and make a difference.

I am incredibly proud of our teams around the world, including our Australian team. Their commitment to the mission, their willingness to keep going when things become difficult, and their heart for the children we serve helped make 2025 a remarkable year.

As I reflect on the year, I can't help but recognise God's hand over this organisation. For more than two decades, we have seen doors open that should never have opened, protection when it was desperately needed, and provisions arrive at exactly the right time. We never take that for granted.

The reality is that while you're reading this report, children are still being exploited. They are not statistics. They are not headlines. They are real children who are still waiting for someone to step in and help.

That is why we do what we do.

While we are grateful for everything that was achieved in 2025, we are not satisfied. Every rescue matters. Every child matters. And there are still many more waiting.

To everyone who gave, prayed, volunteered, partnered with us or simply chose to care, thank you. The impact recorded in these pages belongs to all of us.

Together, we have seen thousands find freedom. Together, we will continue until the job is done.

Tony Kirwan

TONY KIRWAN

FOUNDER & PRESIDENT
Destiny Rescue

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Rescue Starts with You

“Rescue starts with you” was a phrase that echoed across Destiny Rescue in 2025. A total of **5,738 brave survivors**, having experienced unimaginable trauma, stepped into freedom, and we celebrate every one of them. The journey from victim to survivor to overcomer requires layers of nuanced support, from trauma-informed care and practical assistance to sustainable economic pathways. Every journey is unique, but it is ultimately the individual who is the hero in their own story. Watching that strength and resilience unfold, again and again, is what drives everything we do, all the while knowing another child is waiting.

In 2025, global rescues increased by 37% compared to 2024.

On the frontlines of rescue, social workers and rescue agents worked with relentless dedication, achieving an average of nearly **16 rescues per day, 10 of them children**. Through late nights, weekends, and all the highs and lows, each team member pressed on. That same spirit carried through our incredible Australian team as they connected with supporters across the country at meetings, events, and presentations, advocating for children whose voices are seldom heard.

Our valued supporters were central to every rescue in 2025. Through volunteering, advocating and giving, they contributed a total of **$8.69 million**, an extraordinary expression of generosity that helped sustain and expand our global operations. Church and community partners opened their networks and their hearts. Business and philanthropic partners brought investment, collaboration and shared purpose. Every dollar given, every hour volunteered, every conversation held was a declaration that rescue starts here, with me, today. For this, we cannot say thank you enough.

On a personal note, after more than three years with Destiny Rescue, I was deeply honoured to be appointed as CEO, commencing in January 2026. I have never encountered a more important work and am focused on guiding our Australian operations to expand our rescue capacity. I want to acknowledge the commitment and lasting impact of our outgoing CEO and the steady leadership of our interim team throughout 2025. The foundations they built are strong, and I look forward to leading this team into what I believe will be our most impactful season yet.

Throughout the 2025 Annual Report you will find the stories of survivors, staff and supporters who together made rescue possible. Thank you for every gift, every prayer and every act of courage, large or small. ***Rescue starts with you.***

GREG BRADLEY

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER – BA (IntRel), MBA
Destiny Rescue Australia

MESSAGE FROM THE Chair

As I reflect on 2025, I am deeply proud of what our organisation has achieved and grateful for the unwavering commitment shown by our staff, volunteers, partners, and supporters. In an environment that continues to present complex humanitarian challenges, our mission has remained clear and our impact evident.
During 2025, we supported the rescue of **5,738 individuals**, including **3,605 children**. These numbers represent people supported, futures restored, and families given hope. Behind each statistic is a story of courage and renewal. It is through the dedication of our people on the ground, and the generosity of our stakeholders, that this work is made possible.

Our programs continue to evolve to meet growing demand. We have strengthened our operational frameworks while maintaining compassion at the heart of everything we do. This balance between rigour and empathy remains one of our greatest strengths.

We were pleased to welcome new Board members, whose diverse expertise and fresh perspectives are already enriching our governance and strategic discussions. I would like to formally thank them for the energy and insight they bring, and for their shared commitment to our mission. At the same time, I extend my sincere appreciation to those Board members who have completed their terms, leaving us with a stronger organisation through their service.

We are also excited to welcome our new Chief Executive Officer, whose experience and vision align strongly with our values and strategic priorities. This transition has been carefully planned, and the Board is confident that the organisation is well-positioned for continued growth, innovation, and impact under new executive leadership.

As Chair, I remain confident in the organisation's direction and resilient foundations. The challenges we seek to address are significant, but so too is our collective resolve. With strong governance, committed leadership, and the continued support of our community, we enter the year ahead with optimism and purpose.

On behalf of the Board, thank you for your trust and support. Together, we are working to make a real and lasting difference in the lives of those who need it most.
In gratitude,

LACHLAN ANDERSON

CHAIR – BFin
Destiny Rescue Australia

WHO We Are

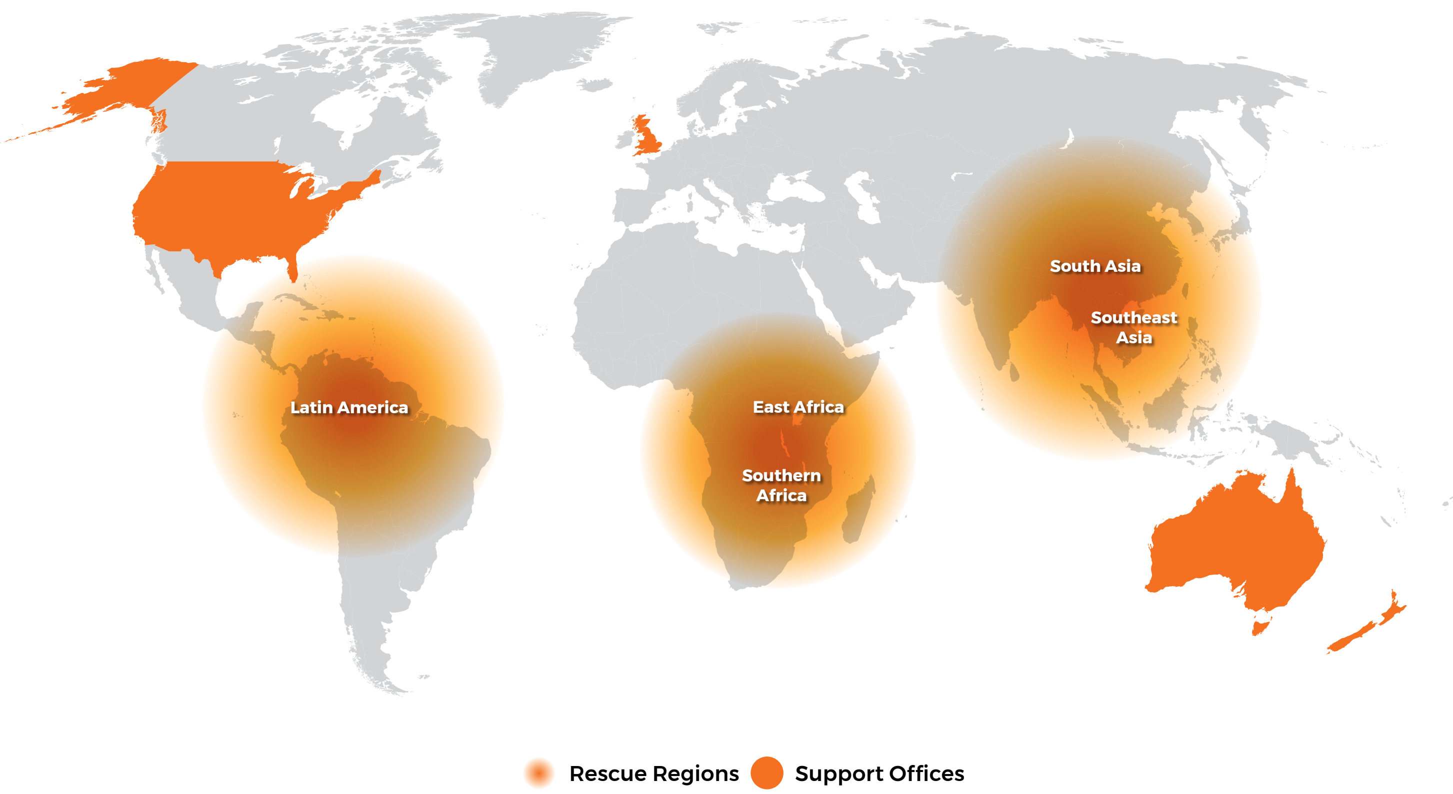
Destiny Rescue is an international Christian organisation with a mission to rescue children from sexual exploitation and human trafficking and equip them to stay free.

Since 2001, we have supported the rescue of over 24,000 individuals, helped prevent hundreds more from entering situations of exploitation, supported efforts to pursue justice for those who have experienced exploitation, and raised awareness across the globe.

SINCE 2001 WE HAVE RESCUED **24,000+** SURVIVORS

WHERE We Work

Rescue Regions



Our DISTINCTIVE Operations

Our Agents Search, Identify & Rescue

Our agents search for, identify and rescue children who are trapped in trafficking and exploitation. Our highly-trained teams of agents work at border crossings, and others go undercover into high-risk environments to find these children. Once identified, agents work closely with authorities and partners to support safe recovery and protection.

We Rescue Children

Our mission and primary focus is to rescue children. Every day, we enter high-risk communities and establishments to identify children at risk of sexual exploitation. While our primary focus is supporting children, our efforts in pursuit of children often bring freedom to individuals over the age of 18 as well.

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 boys. In 2025, 17% of those rescued were male.

We Equip Survivors to Stay Free

Once rescued, we equip survivors to stay free, with an individualised post-rescue path tailored to their unique needs and vulnerabilities. If a child’s environment is unsafe, their care may take place in a residential home program, which could be a Destiny Rescue home, a partner-referred home or a government-assigned shelter. If it’s safe, children may be reunified with their families or community and receive services in their home environment.

Reintegration Into Freedom

When we have the honour of being involved in a survivor’s reintegration journey, they may enrol in our care. When survivors enrol in our care, dedicated teams develop an individualised **Freedom Plan**™ tailored to their unique needs and circumstances. This plan focuses on decreasing the vulnerabilities that led to their exploitation while providing new opportunities to live safely and build independent futures.

TIMELINE

We have come a long way *together*

2001
'01
Began child sponsorship program in Mozambique (which ran for 12 years before closing)

'02
2002 Destiny Rescue is founded in Australia.

2003
'03
(Feb) Launched work in Thailand. (Nov) Child sponsorship began in Cambodia.

'05
2005
We opened our first Residential Home in Cambodia. (Jan) A project in an undisclosed Asian country became operational — focusing on tsunami response/support and orphanage work.

2006
'06
Celebrated our first rescue!

'15
2015
Operations began in the Dominican Republic.

2018
'18
(Aug) We commenced rescue operations at stations along the Nepal border.
Surpassed 1,000 rescued in a single year!

2020
'20
(March) We started working in a new undisclosed nation in Asia.

(Nov) Launched Pilot Program in Uganda.

'21
2021
Officially commenced rescue operations in Uganda.
Celebrated our 8,000th rescue!

2022
'22
Officially commenced rescue operations in Kenya and Zimbabwe.
Celebrated our 11,000th rescue!

With over 1M children still trapped in sexual slavery – there is so much to be done!

October 2008
The USA becomes a Funding Nation

'08

'09

2009
Launched work in Myanmar. (closed)

'11

2011
A new project in an undisclosed Asian country has its first rescue.

'12

2012
First rescues in Cambodia.

'13

2013
Launched two additional rescue projects in Cambodia.
(July) The first raid was conducted in Bangkok, Thailand, resulting in 22 rescued individuals, including 19 minors.

April 2014
New Zealand becomes a Funding Nation

'14

2014
(July) Launched work in the Philippines and celebrated the first rescue.
Celebrated our 1,000th rescue to date!

'23

2023
Celebrated our 14,000th rescue!

'24

2024
Celebrated our 18,000th rescue!

'25

2025
Celebrated our 24,000th rescue!

2025 Rescue Efforts

3,605
Children Rescued

In addition

1,396 Young Adults

737 Adults

5,738 Total Rescued

Rescue efforts, carried out in collaboration with law enforcement and local partners, contributed to the arrest of:

312 Perpetrators of trafficking and abuse

2025 Regional Reports

At the heart of our rescue work are people who care.

The outcomes of freeing children involve hundreds of staff, volunteers and advocates, and include collaboration with law enforcement, community partners, government agencies, citizen Freedom Fighters and our donors.

The following data reflects Destiny Rescue's activities and reported outcomes for 2025.

All-time totals capture organisational impact between the established date stated on each page and the end of the 2025 reporting year.

Reported Freedom Plan™ figures include any level of participation during 2025.

This includes Freedom Plans started prior to 2025 and excludes planned services that had yet to commence in 2025. Services offered via Freedom Plans™ are not mutually exclusive. Because of these factors, service participation totals are not expected to add up to enrollment totals exactly.

Due to the verification process for all records, figures are subject to minor changes as new information becomes available. Quotes are transcribed or translated words from survivors, staff or community members and were gathered with their knowledge and consent.

Note: Pseudonyms have been used to protect identities.

IMPACT SNAPSHOT

AFRICA

East Africa | Southern Africa

Sold as Commodities

In a village in East Africa, a busy marketplace bustled with buyers and sellers calling their wares. The market had separate sections for all the traditional staples: vegetables, fruits, grains, livestock... and children.

In this region of Africa, crushing poverty, combined with widespread ignorance of human trafficking practices, drives parents to entrust their children to "employers" who promise to take their children and provide them a better life with steady work. These traffickers pay the parents before taking the children away and selling them into exploitative work situations.

Our partner agents in the area discovered a "vendor" who was selling children to be used for cheap labour or sexual exploitation. Those agents quickly investigated the vendor and brought the case to the local authorities. Together, they shut down the vendor, arrested the seller and rescued five boys and two girls before they could be sold.

Our work in Africa 2025

Five countries

- Kenya
- Uganda
- South Africa
- Zimbabwe
- Undisclosed

Prevalence of trafficking methods in Africa*

1,831 survivors rescued total

1,782 children rescued

858 survivors enrolled in a Freedom Plan™

Two children were rescued and enrolled in a Freedom Plan in an undisclosed country in Africa.

** Prevalence statistics are based on Destiny Rescue rescue records from 2024 and 2025 and are not necessarily indicative of overall trafficking in the region. Categories are not exclusive; many trafficking scenarios indicated more than one method. "Vulnerable situation" includes abuse of power or vulnerability, as well as leveraging a victims' need for income. Overall, financial desperation drove most of the trafficking and exploitation encountered in Africa.*

IMPACT SNAPSHOT

ASIA

South Asia | Southeast Asia

"I am incredibly grateful to work for the organisation that played a vital role in my life. Words cannot fully express the joy and happiness I feel knowing that I have the opportunity to help save many girls like me from exploitation."

— Trisha, survivor and border counsellor, Nepal

"[It matters] how we respond when things go wrong. Instead of blaming or pointing fingers, our team steps up. In one operation, even after a suspect was tipped off, our agents showed initiative, worked alongside law enforcement, chased him and helped hunt him down."

— Austin, rescue agent, Philippines

"The moments when rescued children smile or express hope for their future—it's incredibly rewarding and reminds me why this work matters."

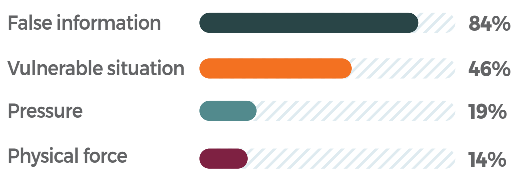
— A partner in The Scientia Program, Thailand

Our work in Asia 2025

Six countries

- Nepal
- Undisclosed - South Asia
- Cambodia
- The Philippines
- Thailand
- Undisclosed - Southeast Asia

Prevalence of trafficking methods in Asia*



3,472 survivors rescued total

1,617 children rescued

247 survivors enrolled in a Freedom Plan™

** Prevalence statistics are based on our rescue records from 2024 and 2025 and are not necessarily indicative of overall trafficking in the region. Categories are not exclusive; many trafficking scenarios indicated more than one method.* ***Overall, false information drove most of the trafficking and exploitation we encountered in Asia.***

IMPACT SNAPSHOT

LATIN AMERICA

The Dominican Republic

"Every child deserves to be believed, protected, and defended—no matter who the abuser is."

— Mira, undercover agent in the Dominican Republic

Our work in Latin America 2025

One country

- **Dominican Republic**

435 survivors rescued total

206 children rescued

Prevalence of trafficking methods in Latin America*

False information	24%
Vulnerable situation	41%
Pressure	64%
Physical force	92%

** Prevalence statistics are based on our rescue records from 2024 and 2025 and are not necessarily indicative of overall trafficking in the region. Categories are not exclusive; many trafficking scenarios indicated more than one method.* ***Overall, physical methods, including the use of force or abduction, drove most of the trafficking and exploitation we encountered in Latin America.***

COUNTER-OSEC

Fighting the global crisis of the Online Sexual Exploitation of Children (OSEC)

OSEC is one of the fastest-growing forms of child exploitation globally, among the most harmful to victims, and one of the most difficult to detect.

Traffickers use online platforms to exploit and abuse children, with an estimated 300 million children impacted each year (*Childlight*).

Guided by a survivor-centred approach, Destiny Rescue collaborates with law enforcement to identify and rescue children from OSEC.

In 2025, Destiny Rescue made significant progress in identifying and rescuing children from online sexual exploitation globally. **79 cases** resulted in the following:

147 children

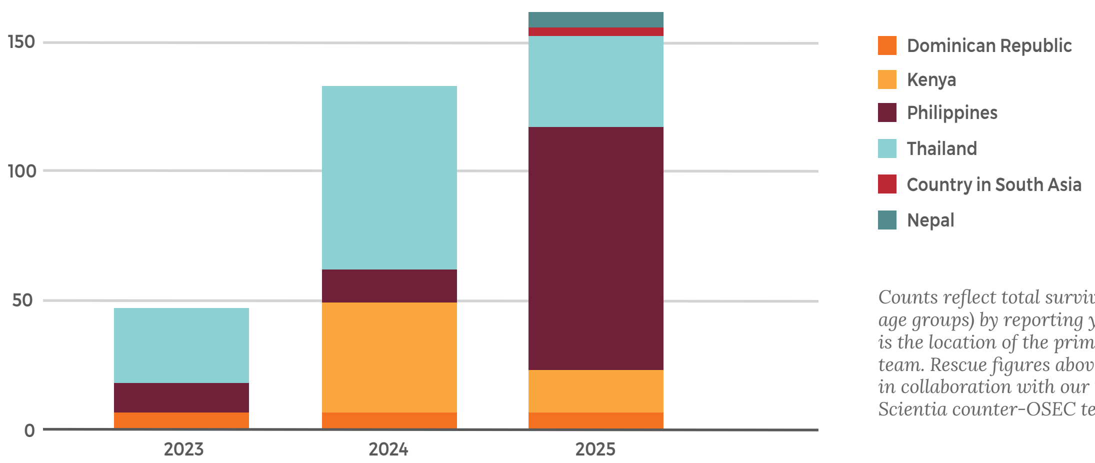
18 young adults

rescued from online sexual exploitation

39 perpetrators

arrested

Survivors rescued by year and country



Counts reflect total survivors rescued (all age groups) by reporting year. Country is the location of the primary rescuing team. Rescue figures above included cases in collaboration with our Thailand-based Scientia counter-OSEC team.

12 years old

Average age of a child survivor

2 years old

The youngest child survivor

72% female

28% male

Gender of survivors rescued from online sexual exploitation

Destiny Rescue is a founding and operating partner alongside the Global Counter-Trafficking Group (GCG) of The Scientia Program, a collaborative initiative involving partner organisations and law enforcement agencies to rescue victims of the online sexual exploitation of children (OSEC) through law enforcement collaboration and systemic change initiatives.

RESULTS Post-Rescue

Rescue creates an opportunity for safety and support, helping survivors move toward stability and long-term freedom.

New chapters begin as survivors are supported in ways that prioritise their safety, wellbeing and long-term stability.

Post-Rescue Pathways

Common post-rescue pathways include:

- Reunification with family
- Enrolment in a Freedom Plan™
- Entrustment to the care of another organisation or entity

Reunification

53% of survivors rescued in operations with law enforcement were reunified with their families following rescue.
99% of survivors rescued at Nepal's border were reunited with their family.

Freedom Plan™ Enrolment

2,194 survivors were served and supported by Freedom Plans™ in 2025.
Freedom Plans™ were implemented across six countries in Africa and Asia.
30% of children rescued in 2025 were enrolled in a Freedom Plan™.

Skills and Employment

860+ survivors pursued new skills through training opportunities.
93% training course completion rate.
290+ new small businesses were started this year.

Education

370+ survivors returned to school as part of their Freedom Plan™ journey.
Only **14%** of survivors enrolled in a Freedom Plan™ were on track in their education before rescue.

Entrusted to Other Organisations

Survivors may be entrusted to the care of government services or when other organisations when this is the local standard process, or another local organisation offers appropriate services.

47% of survivors rescued in collaboration with law enforcement were entrusted to government custody or other organisations after rescue.

OPENING DOORS Through Education

Restoring Access to Learning

Education is one of the most important pathways in reducing vulnerability. For many children, exploitation interrupts schooling entirely and limits future opportunities.

In 2025, 370+ survivors returned to school as part of their Freedom Plan™ journey. These steps forward represent more than access to education: they reflect growing stability, dignity, and renewed hope for the future.

Before rescue, consistent education was out of reach for most survivors. Only 14% were on track in their education, with many having dropped out or never attended school.

Removing Barriers, Rebuilding Futures

Through Freedom Plans™, caseworkers work closely with survivors and their guardians to develop tailored education pathways. This may include:

- Re-enrolment in formal schooling
- Support with school fees, uniforms, and materials
- Flexible learning pathways where traditional schooling is not immediately possible
- Ongoing encouragement and monitoring through regular check-ins

Education planning is often developed alongside economic support, recognising that financial instability is a significant barrier to consistent attendance.

A Foundation for Long-Term Freedom

Returning to school is not simply about academic progress. It contributes to restoring choice and expanding future opportunities.

With access to education, survivors can begin to:

- Rebuild confidence and sense of identity
- Develop skills that support future employment pathways
- Reduce their vulnerability to further exploitation

Each step back into learning represents meaningful progress toward a more stable and self-directed future.

ECONOMIC Solutions

Addressing Root Causes of Exploitation

Extreme financial distress is a common factor contributing to vulnerability and exploitation. Without access to basic needs such as food, shelter, and income, children and families can face limited and unsafe options.

Freedom Plans™ address these underlying vulnerabilities by supporting families to explore sustainable economic pathways.

In 2025:

- 860+ survivors pursued new skills through training opportunities
- 93% training course completion rate
- 290+ new small businesses were started
- 380+ small businesses were supported overall
- 95% of these businesses were run by guardians of survivors

From Survival to Stability

Economic support begins early in the Freedom Plan™ process. During the first phase, caseworkers collaborate with survivors and their families to identify practical and locally appropriate income solutions.

These may include:

- Skills training and vocational development
- Small business support tailored to local contexts
- Guidance in managing income and resources
- Ongoing mentoring through regular check-ins

This phase typically lasts four to six months and is designed to stabilise households and reduce immediate financial pressure.

Strengthening Families, Protecting Futures

By supporting caregivers, particularly guardians, to generate income, economic solutions contribute to a more stable environment around the child.

When families are better supported to meet their basic needs:

- The risk factors associated with exploitation can be reduced
- Education may become more accessible and sustainable
- Households can build greater resilience and independence

Economic empowerment is not only about income. It is about strengthening families, supporting dignity, and contributing to conditions where children can remain safe and supported.

SURVIVOR-LED Impact and Contribution

After experiencing crisis, exploitation, or other forms of vulnerability, many survivors begin to rebuild their lives with renewed confidence, stability, and purpose. Over time, some choose to use their experiences to support others, strengthen their communities, and help prevent exploitation. Their journeys demonstrate that healing is possible and that freedom can lead to meaningful contributions within families and communities.

One powerful example comes from Nepal, where a young survivor named Trisha began to see new possibilities for her future and developed a strong desire to help protect others facing similar risks. Reflecting on her journey, she shared:

"I always wanted to do something for me and my family... being a part of this has fulfilled my dream."

— **Trisha**, Survivor, Nepal

After completing her training, Trisha chose to join prevention efforts along the Nepal border. Today, she helps identify risks, share information, and protect vulnerable children from exploitation. Her lived experience enables her to recognise warning signs and connect with families in ways that foster trust and understanding.

Trisha's story demonstrates how support, opportunity, and personal determination can create pathways to leadership and service. Her journey

Trisha at the safe home

Trisha after returning to our staff

offers encouragement to others who may be rebuilding their lives and highlights the important role survivors can play in contributing to their communities.

Stories like Trisha's reflect a broader pattern seen across programs in 2025. As survivors gain skills and greater independence, many contribute in ways that promote safety, resilience, and long-term wellbeing. Some participate in prevention initiatives, others pursue education or employment, and many become positive influences within their families and the greater community.

Across Destiny Rescue programs, significant milestones are often marked through graduations and other celebrations, inviting survivors to recognise their progress and encourage one another. These moments serve as visible reminders that growth, resilience, and new opportunities are possible.

Their contributions help create safer environments and demonstrate the far-reaching impact of survivor empowerment. With the right support, survivors can build meaningful futures while helping create lasting positive change for others.

"It's great working [here]. I always wanted to do a job that would give me respect and make me feel good,"

— **Trisha**, Survivor, Nepal

Trisha conducts an interview at the border crossing

Agents conducting an on-road interview

Source: Destiny Rescue. (2025). *Survivor of Rape Becomes Rescuer.*
To Read Trisha's Story
Click Here or Scan the Code >>>

MARKETING Report

2025 has been an extraordinary year, made possible by our faithful donors, dedicated staff, and the strength of systems working diligently behind the scenes.

Destiny Rescue secured two national television appearances, including a feature on **7NEWS Spotlight** in late September. This broadcast reached 220,000 homes across Australia, helping to raise awareness of child trafficking and its devastating impact. The response was significant, generating increased public engagement, new opportunities, and a surge in donations.

Across the year, our publications, newsletters, brochures, television advertising, and relationship-based engagement have helped us connect with more than 16 million Australians. This made 2025 another record year for engagement, with more donors choosing to take part and more children being reached through our programs. We are incredibly thankful for the continued growth in awareness, generosity, and support for this work.

Substantial progress has been made in strengthening our systems through key automations and improved financial workflows. These advancements have reclaimed significant bandwidth by eliminating redundant manual tasks, enabling our team to operate with greater agility and focus on the strategic work that drives our mission forward.

That reclaimed capacity has directly strengthened our support of Child Rescue New Zealand. By taking on key administrative functions, our Australian operations team has freed their team to focus on donor engagement, while also helping to improve their backend systems, extending our collective impact and contributing to more children being reached and rescued.

Through continued engagement and feedback, we have gained valuable insight into the people who stand alongside this mission. What remains clear is that our supporters share a deep commitment to seeing children rescued, restored, and given the opportunity to walk in freedom.

This work is not carried by an organisation alone. It is made possible by a growing community of people who are willing to stand with those still waiting for rescue.

As we reflect on 2025, there is much to be thankful for. We extend our sincere gratitude to our suppliers, partners, and faithful supporters, whose generosity and commitment continue to make this life-saving work possible.

GAVIN MCCULLOCH
ACTING MARKETING MANAGER
Destiny Rescue Australia

7NEWS SPOTLIGHT Showcase

220,000 homes reached in Australia

A September 2025 episode of **7NEWS Spotlight** cast a stark light on child exploitation and highlighted Destiny Rescue's efforts to combat it.

Reporter **Liam Bartlett** and the Spotlight crew spent weeks embedded with Destiny Rescue's counter-OSEC team documenting:

- Collaboration with key law enforcement partners
- The identification of a prolific child trafficker
- Safe removal of vulnerable children from harm

Liam Bartlett with convicted offender Toni Brimble. Credit: Spotlight

Destiny Rescue is grateful for the national attention on child protection, which shines a light on online child sexual exploitation and Australia's role in demand and offending.

Awareness is key to unlocking action.

Behind every investigation is expertise built over decades

Liam Bartlett and Counter-OSEC Director Matt Valentine. Credit: Spotlight

Matthew Valentine *(above right)* is the global Counter-OSEC Director at Destiny Rescue and co-founder of **The Scientia Program**, a cross-NGO anti-online trafficking unit Destiny Rescue helps lead.

Matthew served more than 15 years as a detective with the New Zealand Police Force. After his police service, he moved to Southeast Asia, where he has worked alongside local and international law enforcement on complex cross-border investigations into child exploitation networks. His work has contributed to the rescue of hundreds of children across the region. In his current role, he focuses on counter-OSEC strategy and collaboration, helping drive systemic change, supporting direct rescue efforts, and advancing trauma-informed care for survivors.

You can read more about Destiny Rescue's Counter-OSEC work here.

PARTNERSHIPS Report

As we reflect on 2025, we're incredibly thankful for the way Australians have continued to stand alongside the mission of Destiny Rescue. Across the country, individuals, businesses, churches, and communities have turned compassion into action, helping raise awareness, fund rescue efforts, and create lasting impact for vulnerable children.

Below are some highlights from the year.

Now in its third year, **Tread on Trafficking** continued to grow as a nationwide movement, with **510 participants** completing the 24-hour challenge and collectively raising **$242,128**. What began as a grassroots initiative by a passionate group of small business owners in Melbourne has become a powerful demonstration of unity against child trafficking.

The **Taree community** in NSW brought together **89 individuals** of all ages to raise funds for rescue efforts. Together, this community of fundraisers raised **$79,632** and has now set a goal of raising more than **$100,000** in 2026. The fundraising efforts were featured on television and across other media outlets, helping raise awareness of child trafficking and exploitation.

Led by **Wingman and Housemark, Walk to AREC** returned on the Gold Coast in 2025, bringing together **33 participants** and raising **$19,330**. The initiative continued to rally the real estate and property community, generating both significant funding and increased awareness of child exploitation and the work of Destiny Rescue.

Throughout the year, supporters found creative and meaningful ways to get involved, from endurance challenges to community-led initiatives. Across Australia, fundraising events brought communities together in powerful ways, ranging from workplace morning teas to large-scale lunches and gala evenings. Standout moments included the **Property4Good Lunch**, **Voice Lawyers Gala**, and **Loanright's Legacy Lunch**, each reflecting the generosity and commitment of those involved.

Together, community fundraising and events contributed **$980,557**, directly enabling rescue operations and supporting survivors as they rebuild their lives. This includes access to holistic care that supports physical, emotional, spiritual, and mental well-being.

The business community also played a significant role in driving impact throughout the year. In 2025, **680 businesses contributed $1,026,781**, helping to fund critical frontline rescue and post-rescue efforts. Beyond financial support, these partnerships continued to raise awareness of human trafficking across industries and local communities, demonstrating the power of businesses aligned with purpose.

Rescue Partners

We are grateful for our extraordinary community of monthly donors, our Rescue Partners. These committed supporters give faithfully each month to help fund rescue efforts across our project nations. In 2025, we celebrated **4,180 Rescue Partners** who together contributed **$2,659,585.51** to support our mission.

Engagement across the country remained strong, with thousands of Australians connecting more deeply to the mission. Throughout the year, our team delivered **271 presentations** to businesses, churches, schools and community settings, equipping audiences with a clearer understanding of child trafficking and online exploitation, and how they can be part of the solution.

As we move into 2026, we are encouraged by the momentum, generosity and shared commitment of this community. Every fundraiser, partnership, presentation and conversation has helped bring hope to children in need and strengthen the fight against exploitation.

Thank you for continuing to stand with us. Because of your support, more children are being rescued, equipped and given the opportunity for a future filled with safety, freedom and dignity.

RACHEL DUNWELL
HEAD OF PARTNERSHIPS
NSW / WA / SA / TAS
Destiny Rescue Australia

MATT WHITTAKER
HEAD OF PARTNERSHIPS
QLD / NT / VIC
Destiny Rescue Australia

Voice Lawyers Gala - NSW


Tread on Trafficking - Taree

Donor Meeting - NSW

7News Spotlight - Engagement Tour


Walk to AREC


Canberra Festival of Speed


Greg & Julia at WA Parliament

7News Spotlight - Engagement Tour


Chris & Nerilee in Nepal

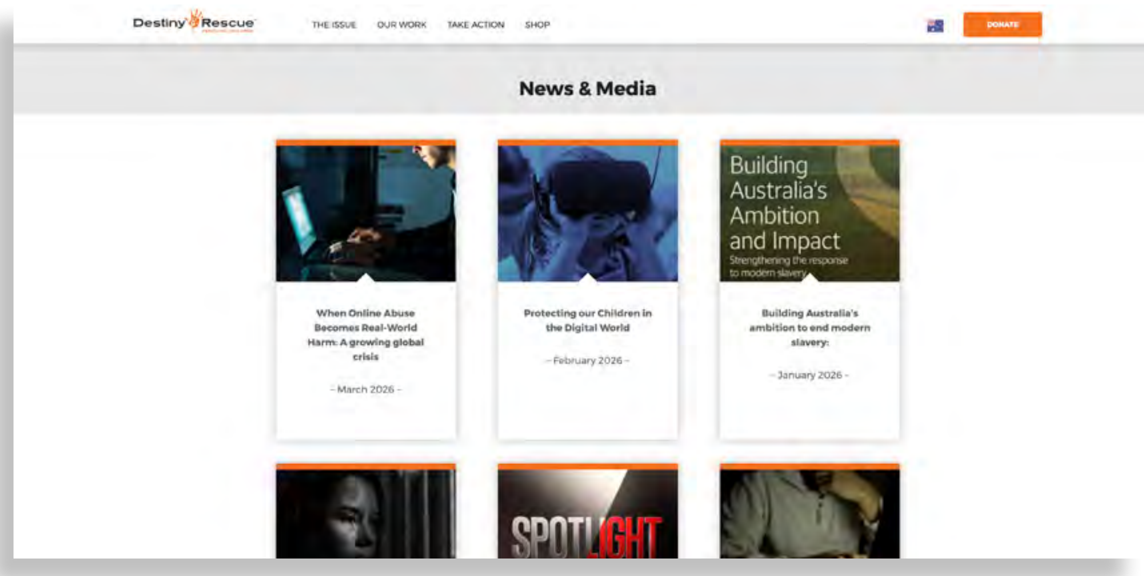
AUSTRALIAN Government Advocacy Efforts

Destiny Rescue continues to advocate to the Australian Government on key issues, policy priorities, and legislative reform to combat child sexual exploitation.

Our advocacy efforts are driven by a commitment to raising awareness and confronting Australia's role in offending, including both the demand for online child sexual exploitation and contact offending.

In 2025, Destiny Rescue submitted a ***Pre-Budget Submission*** highlighting the urgent need for collective action, including amplifying survivor voices, building capacity in the Asia Pacific Region, and addressing structural and legal gaps to combat online sexual exploitation of children (OSEC).

We also strengthened our voice by launching a dedicated '***News and Media***' section on our website, where we share timely insights on critical legislation, and key issues and news relevant to the Australian public, and our global work addressing child sexual exploitation and trafficking.



Our efforts would not have been possible without the outstanding contribution of our dedicated volunteer team known as 'Back Office'. Their professional insights and commitment to protecting children are deeply valued.

We are working hard to have our voice heard!

Australian Parliament House, ACT

A young survivor from our Nepal project is interviewed by one of our female agents

FINANCIAL REPORT

A summary of activities

To our incredible supporters,

As we reflect on our FY2025 results, we are reminded that these numbers represent so much more than performance. They represent lives changed, hope restored, and futures reclaimed. Because of your faithful generosity, Destiny Rescue is able to continue our mission and make a meaningful difference in the lives of children in need of rescue. Every dollar given carries purpose, enabling us to go further, respond faster, and strengthen the care we provide.

Thank you for standing with us and for being such a vital part of this mission. We are deeply grateful for your trust and partnership as we continue working towards a world where every child is free.

Highlights:

	2025	2024	**% Increase**
Income	**$8,690,837**	$8,747,489	**-0.6%**
Rescues	**5,738**	4,177	**37.37%**

VENECIA PILLAY

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER - CA (SA), ACMA, CGMA
Destiny Rescue Australia

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on Destiny Rescue Limited for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

Directors

The names of the directors in office at any time during, or since the end of, the year are:

- **Lachlan Anderson Chair** (Director from Dec 2016)
- **James Condon Director** (from Mar 2021 to Jun 2025)
- **Joshua Evans Director** (from Sept 2019 to Mar 2025)
- **Lydia Harb Director** (from August 2023 to March 2025)
- **Chris Lawley Director** (from September 2019)
- **Karen Li Director** (from May 2024 to March 2025)
- **Michelle Winser Director** (from April 2025)
- **Joshua Wermut Director** (from May 2025)

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

Principal Activities

The company's principal activities during the financial year were to rescue children from human trafficking and sexual exploitation and equip them to stay free. No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Short-Term Objectives

- **Public awareness and education:** Destiny Rescue seeks to fuel a nationwide movement of people to stop human trafficking and child sexual exploitation and advance our mission by drawing attention to the sexual exploitation and trafficking of children.

- **Donations:** Increase the number of corporate, church, community and monthly recurring donor partners financially supporting the work of Destiny Rescue.

Long-Term Objectives

- To play a leading role in rescuing 100,000 individuals from child sexual exploitation and human trafficking across the globe by 2032.

- To increase the awareness of the issue of child sexual exploitation and human trafficking in Australia to 40% of the population.

- To engage 50,000 monthly recurring donors, Rescue Partners, by 2032, which would enable a secure and stable funding base to continue expansion of rescue efforts into new countries and hotspots where children are being exploited.

- To be recognised as a thought leader in the area of child sexual exploitation and child rescue.

Strategy for achieving the objectives

The organisation continues to build on its strategic plan to achieve its stated objectives for the next decade.

The following key strategic objectives have been outlined:

- Grow Destiny Rescue's brand awareness so the Australian public is aware of the issue of child exploitation and human trafficking.

- To increase recurring giving by 20% and for it to become 33% of total revenue by the end of the decade.

- To engage with major donors and provide them with significant and tangible projects to support.

- To grow engagement with corporates and churches to help them impact the lives of children who are being exploited.

- To work with the Australian government on law reform and projects across ASEAN to end child sexual exploitation.

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 organisation and whether the organisation's short-term and long-term objectives are being achieved.

Information on Directors

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

Lachlan Anderson — **Chair** (Qualifications: **BFin**)

Experience: Lachlan is currently a partner at his Financial Planning firm in Melbourne and holds a degree in finance as well as other specialised industry accreditations. Lachlan has a passion for helping people, whether it is in his everyday life and work or the work at Destiny Rescue. He has been in the financial services industry since 2010 and involved with Destiny Rescue since 2015. This experience and expertise provides valuable insights and input to our vision and strategies that will help us achieve our goals.

Chris Lawley — **Director**

Experience: Chris is a long-term active volunteer for Destiny Rescue. His contributions have extended in various aspects beyond his directorship in Australia including taking advantage of opportunities to speak at fundraising events and varied frontline work overseas. He has held leadership roles for global organisations in the SaaS industry (software as a service). He brings skills to the organisation in both commercial leadership and cyber security.

Michelle Winser — **Director**

Experience: Michelle started her career in merchant banking in Sydney NSW. She made a sea change and moved to SE QLD running her own business for 7 years before joining Destiny Rescue in 2013. In 2014 she was appointed CEO of Australia and enjoyed her time immensely until she left in 2019 to continue her study in Youth Counselling. She currently works at multiple schools on the Sunshine Coast as a Student Wellness Officer.

Joshua Wermut — **Director**

Experience: Josh is an experienced entrepreneur and venture builder having worked with multiple businesses across the Consumer, Tech, Finance, and Health sectors. He combines a human-centric approach alongside high commercial and technology acumen, and has advised senior executives and boards at many of Australia's ASX top 50 companies as a leader in McKinsey's Digital & Analytics practice.

Members' guarantee

Destiny Rescue Limited is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 as a company limited by guarantee. In the event of, and for the purpose of winding up of the company, the amount capable of being called up from each member and any person or association who ceased to be a member in the year prior to the winding up, is limited to a maximum of $10. At 31 December 2025 the collective liability of members was $10 (2024: $10).

Operating results and review of operations for the year

The operating deficit for the year ended 31 December 2025 amounted to $393,083 (2024: $1,279,476)

Meeting of Directors

During the financial year, 5 directors' meetings were held. Attendances by each director during the year were as follows:

	Director's Meetings	
	Number eligible to attend	**Number attended**
Lachlan Anderson	5	5
James Condon	2	1
Joshua Evans	1	1
Lydia Harb	1	1
Chris Lawley	5	4
Karen Li	1	1
Michelle Winser	4	2
Joshua Wermut	3	3

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration in accordance with Section 60- 40 of the Australian Charities and Not-forprofits Commission Act 2012, for the year ended 31 December 2025 has been received and can be found on page 5 of the financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

Lachlan Anderson (Chair)

Dated 22 April 2026

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Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 to the Directors of Destiny Rescue Limited

As lead auditor for the audit of Destiny Rescue Limited for the year ended 31 December 2025, I declare that to the best my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 December 2025, there have been:

(i) no contraventions of the auditor 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.

MGI Audit Pty Ltd

T L Harris

Director

22 April 2026

Brisbane

Profit or Loss

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2025

Revenue	Note	2025 $	2024 $
Donations and bequests - Monetary	4	8,661,372	8,708,664
Commercial Activities Income	4	455	2,935
Investment Income	4	11,010	11,711
Other income	4	18,000	24,179
Total Revenue	4	**8,690,837**	**8,747,489**
Expenditure			
International Development and Humanitarian Programs Expenditure			
International Programs	5	(3,924,539)	(2,903,418)
International Program Support costs - Advocacy		(2,462,172)	(2,185,553)
Community Education		(206,666)	(175,832)
Fundraising costs - Public		(221,894)	(186,222)
Accountability and Administration		(48,152)	(49,305)
Total - International Development and Humanitarian Programs expenditure		**(6,863,423)**	**(5,500,330)**
Australian personnel costs		(1,514,532)	(1,340,376)
Australian administration expenses		(705,965)	(627,307)
Total Expenditure		**(9,083,920)**	**(7,468,013)**
Surplus/(deficit)		(393,083)	1,279,476
Other comprehensive income for the year		-	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		**(393,083)**	**1,279,476**

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial Position

Statement of financial position as at 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 $	2024 $
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	1,847,185	2,294,591
Trade and other receivables	7	70,946	98,352
Other Assets	8	75,945	48,360
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,994,076	2,441,303
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant and equipment	9	241,364	334,140
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		**241,364**	**334,140**
TOTAL ASSETS		**2,235,440**	**2,775,443**
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	10	141,720	232,862
Lease liabilities	11	47,202	68,164
Employee benefits	12	251,114	292,485
Other financial liabilities	13	12,755	19,926
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		452,791	613,437
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Lease liabilities	11	16,320	63,522
Employee benefits	12	109,769	48,841
Total Non-Current Liabilities		**126,089**	**112,363**
Total Liabilities		**578,880**	**725,800**
Net Assets		**1,656,560**	**2,049,643**
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		**1,656,560**	**2,049,643**
TOTAL EQUITY		**1,656,560**	**2,049,643**

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Changes in Equity

Statement of changes in equity
for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Retained Earnings	Total
2025	**$**	**$**
Balance at 1 January 2025	2,049,643	2,049,643
Deficit for the year	(393,083)	(393,083)
Balance at 31 December 2025	**1,656,560**	**1,656,560**
2024		
Balance at 1 January 2024	770,166	770,166
Surplus for the year	1,279,477	1,279,477
Balance at 31 December 2024	**2,049,643**	**2,049,643**

Cash Flows

Statement of cash flows
for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 $	2024 $
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Receipts from customers		8,977,580	8,997,168
Payments to suppliers and employees		(2,948,024)	(2,618,324)
Payments to projects		(6,386,711)	(4,825,223)
Interest received		11,010	11,711
Interest paid		(4,491)	(4,814)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		(350,636)	1,560,518
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Proceeds from sale of plant and equipment		14,000	31,855
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(42,606)	(93,599)
Net cash used in investing activities		(28,606)	(61,744)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(68,164)	(72,736)
Net cash used in investing activities		(68,164)	(72,736)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held		(447,406)	1,426,038
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		2,294,591	868,553
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	**6**	**1,847,185**	**2,294,591**

Notes

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

The financial report covers Destiny Rescue Limited as an individual entity. Destiny Rescue Limited is a not-for-profit Company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

The functional and presentation currency of Destiny Rescue Limited is Australian dollars. A description of the nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are included in the directors' report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Directors on 22 April 2026.

Comparatives have been reclassified to conform with current year presentation.

NOTE 1: Basis of Preparation

Destiny Rescue Ltd applies Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures as set out in AASB 1060: General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures for For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities.

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.*

Destiny Rescue Ltd adheres to the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) code of conduct on Financial Reporting and meets the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct. The financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct. For further information on the Code please refer to the ACFID website at www.acfid.asn.au.

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 accounting policies that are material to the company are set out below. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year, unless otherwise stated.

NOTE 2: Material Accounting Policy Information

(a) Revenue and other income

Revenue from contracts with customers.
In order for a transaction to be accounted for under AASB 15, it must represent an agreement between two or more parties that creates enforceable rights and obligations and also contains performance obligation(s); being a promise to transfer to the customer a good or service. AASB 1058 applies to transactions of not-for-profit entities where the consideration to acquire an asset (including cash) is significantly less than fair value principally to enable the entity to further its objectives.

Donations are recognised when the company obtains control, economic benefits are probable and the amount of donation can be measured reliably.

The company receives grants from time to time. The grants are recognised under AASB 15 if there is an enforceable right with distinct performance obligations. Should grants not fall under AASB 15, they are recognised under AASB 1058 as income on receipt. If conditions are attached to the grant which must be satisfied (and funds may be required to be returned) until the agreed service has been delivered, otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

Revenue from a grant that is not subject to performance obligations is recognised when the company obtains control of the funds, economic benefits are probable and the amount can be measured reliably. Where certain conditions of the grant revenue are not satisfied, a liability is recognised at year end to the extent that conditions remain unsatisfied. Where the company receives a contribution of an asset from a government or other party for no or nominal consideration, the asset is recognised at fair value and a corresponding amount of revenue is recognised.

Revenue is measured by reference to the fair value of consideration received or receivable by the Group for goods supplied and services provided, excluding sales taxes, rebates, and trade discounts. Interest revenue is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest 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 (GST).

Other income

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Company is entitled to it.

(b) Income Tax

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

(c) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (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 in the statement of cash flows are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

(d) Comparative figures

Comparatives are consistent with prior year unless otherwise stated.

(e) Plant and equipment

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 (f) 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.

Depreciation

Plant and equipment, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the Company, commencing when the asset is 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 asset are shown below:

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

At the end of each annual reporting period, the depreciation method, useful life and residual value of each asset is reviewed. Any revisions are accounted for prospectively as a change in estimate.

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.

(f) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises 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.

(g) Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised initially on the date that the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

On initial recognition, all financial instruments are measured at fair value plus transaction costs (except for instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are expensed as incurred).

Financial assets

The Company's financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position.

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 Note 2 (f) for information on the determination of impairment losses.

Impairment of trade receivables has been determined using the simplified approach in AASB 9 which uses an estimation of lifetime expected credit losses. The Company has determined the probability of non-payment of the receivabe and multiplied this by the amount of the expected loss arising from default.

Financial liabilities

The financial liabilities of the Company comprise trade payables, bank and other loans and lease liabilities.

Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the company prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature they are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

(h) Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period the Company determines whether there is evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets. Where an indicator exists and regardless for indefinite life intangible assets and intangible assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated. Where assets do not operate independently of other assets, the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU) is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the higher of the fair value less costs of disposal and the value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash-generating unit.

Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.Reversal indicators are considered in subsequent periods for all assets which have suffered an impairment loss.

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025

(i) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a lease exists.

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 exericse4 the options; and
- Payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the exercise of an option to terminate the lease.

The right-of-use assets comprise the initial measurement of the corresponding lease liability as mentioned above, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, as well as any initial direct costs. The subsequent measurement of the right-of-use assets is at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated over the lease term or useful life of the underlying asset, whichever is the shortest. Where a lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset, or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Company anticipates to exercise a purchase option, the specific asset is depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset.

(j) 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 longterm 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.

Defined contribution superannuation expense

All employees of the Company receive defined contribution superannuation entitlements, for which the Company pays the fixed superannuation guarantee contribution (currently 11.5% of the employee's average ordinary salary) to the employee's superannuation fund of choice. 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.

(k) Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The Company has adopted all of the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended Accounting Standards or interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The directors make estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information during the preparation of these financial statements.

These estimates and judgements are based on the best information available at the time of preparing the financial statements, however as additional information is known then the actual results may differ from the estimates.

The significant estimates and judgements made have been described below.

Key estimates - impairment of plant and equipment

The Company assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluating conditions specific to the Company that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using value-in-use calculations which incorporate various key assumptions.

Key estimates - useful Lives of depreciable Assets

Management reviews its estimate of the useful lives of depreciable assets at each reporting date, based on the expected utility of the assets. Uncertainties in these estimates relate to expected useful life of buildings.

Key estimates - provisions

As described in Note 1 U), the liability for employee benefits expected to be settled more than 12 months from the reporting date are recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, estimates of attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account.

Notes

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

NOTE 4: REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME

	2025	2024
	$	$
Revenue from contracts with customers Donations and bequests		
- Australia	8,661,372	8,708,664
- Overseas	-	-
Total Revenue	**8,661,372**	**8,708,664**
Grants		
- Other Australian grants	-	-
Total Grants income	-	-
Commercial Income		
- Merchandise sales	455	2,935
Total Commercial income	**455**	**2,935**
Revenue from other sources		
- Administrative Services	4,000	-
- Gain on sale of assets	14,000	16,096
- Other	-	7,976
- Investment Income	11,010	11,711
Total Revenue from other sources	29,010	35,783
TOTAL REVENUE	**8,690,837**	**8,747,382**

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025

NOTE 5: PROJECT EXPENSES

	2025	2024
	$	$
Project expenses:		
Thailand	351,000	286,400
Cambodia	75,100	16,800
Undisclosed Country	131,200	65,414
Philippines	194,100	58,600
Nepal	347,000	278,500
Uganda	56,600	45,100
OSEC	397,298	169,220
South Africa	59,600	-
Destiny Rescue International	1,843,720	1,657,384
Kenya	174,300	178,100
Zimbabwe	192,300	118,700
Dominican Republic	72,400	29,200
United Kingdom	29,921	-
	3,924,539	**2,903,418**
Superannuation expense:		
Defined contribution superannuation expense	407,894	331,546
Total Superannuation Expenses	**407,894**	**331,546**

NOTE 6: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2025	2024
	$	$
Cash on hand	4,991	4,991
Bank balances	1,842,194	2,289,600
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	**1,847,185**	**2,294,591**

Notes

Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025

NOTE 7: TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2025 $	2024 $
CURRENT		
Deposits	43,260	43,260
GST receivable	27,686	55,092
Total current trade and other receivables	**70,946**	**98,352**

The carrying value of trade receivables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of each class of receivable in the financial statements.

NOTE 8: OTHER NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS

	2025 $	2024 $
CURRENT		
Prepayments	75,945	48,360
Total other Non-financial Assets	**75,945**	**48,360**

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025

NOTE 9: PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	2025	2024
	$	$
Plant and equipment:		
At cost	9,470	13,952
Accumulated depreciation	(9,470)	(12,577)
Total plant and equipment	-	**1,375**
Furniture, fixtures and fittings		
At cost	39,230	33,202
Accumulated depreciation	(15,541)	(8,220)
Total furniture, fixtures and fittings	23,689	24,982
Motor vehicles:		
At cost	339,466	342,086
Accumulated depreciation	(210,692)	(171,087)
Total motor vehicles	128,774	170,999
Office equipment:		
At cost	93,995	116,157
Accumulated depreciation	(65,069)	(84,422)
Total office equipment	28,926	31,735
Right-of-use Buildings		
At cost	135,221	135,221
Accumulated depreciation	(75,246)	(30,172)
Total right-of-use	59,975	105,049
Total property, plant and equipment	**241,364**	**334,140**

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

(a) Movements in carrying amounts

	Plant and Equipment	Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings	Motor Vehicles	Office Equipment	Right-of-Use - Buildings	**Total**
	$	$	$	$	$	**$**
Year ended 31 December 2025						
Balance at the beginning of year	1,375	24,982	170,999	31,735	105,049	**334,140**
Additions	-	6,232	24,979	11,394	-	**42,605**
Depreciation expense	(1,375)	(7,525)	(67,204)	(14,203)	(45,074)	**(135,381)**
Balance at the end of the year	**-**	**23,689**	**128,774**	**28,926**	**59,975**	**241,364**

NOTE 10: TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES	**2025**	2024
	$	$
CURRENT		
Trade payables	17,470	9,244
Accrued expense	11,604	147,221
Payroll liabilities	112,646	76,397
	141,720	**232,862**

Trade and other payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying value of trade and other payables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

NOTE 11: LEASES	**2025**	2024
	$	$
CURRENT		
Lease liabilities	**47,202**	68,164
NON-CURRENT		
Lease liabilities	**16,320**	63,522

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025

Company as a lessee
The Company has a lease over the office building that it rents. The current rental agreement ends on 30 April 2027.

The maturity analysis of lease liabilities based on contractual undiscounted cash flows is shown in the table below:

	< 1 year	1 - 5 years	> 5 years	**Total undiscounted lease liabilities**	**Lease liabilities included in this Statement Of Financial Position**
	$	$	$	**$**	**$**
2025					
Lease liabilities	48,890	16,456	-	**65,346**	**63,522**
2024					
Lease liabilities	71,591	65,346	-	**136,937**	**131,686**

Extension options
At commencement date and each subsequent reporting date, the Company assesses where it is reasonably certain that the extension options will be exercised.

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income
The amounts recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income relating to interest expense on lease liabilities for the financial year 2025 is $4,491.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

NOTE 12: EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

	Note	2025	2024
		$	$
Current liabilities			
Long Service Leave		22,655	21,005
Annual Leave		228,459	271,480
Total		**251,114**	**292,485**
Non-current liabilities			
Long service leave		109,769	48,841
Total		**109,769**	**48,841**

NOTE 13: OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

	Note	2025	2024
		$	$
CURRENT			
Credit cards		12,755	19,926
Total		**12,755**	**19,926**

NOTE 14: CONTRACTED COMMITMENTS

At 31 December 2025 Destiny Rescue had not entered into any contracted commitments for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment (2024: NIL).

NOTE 15: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company's financial instruments consist of deposits with banks, accounts receivable and payable, and lease liabilities. The carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 9: Financial Instruments as detailed in the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows:

	Note	**2025**	2024
		$	$
Financial assets **Held at amortised cost**			
Cash and cash equivalents		1,847,185	2,294,591
Trade and other receivables		43,260	43,260
Total financial assets		**1,890,445**	**2,337,851**
Financial liabilities			
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:			
– Trade payables		141,720	232,862
– Credit cards		12,755	19,926
– Lease liability		63,522	131,686
Total financial liabilities		**217,997**	**384,474**

NOTE 16: 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 Company. At 31 December 2025 the number of members was 1 (2024: 1).

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

NOTE 17: KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL DISCLOSURES

The aggregate compensation paid to key management personnel of the Company is $974,313 (2024: $725,409). During 2025, six staff were categorised as key management personnel (2024: 5).

NOTE 18: CONTINGENCIES

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company did not have any contingencies at 31 December 2025 (31 December 2024: None).

NOTE 19: RELATED PARTIES

There was one related party identified, being the Destiny Rescue International in the United States of America. DRI is the only member of the Destiny Rescue Ltd.

Our board member Chris Lawley is also a director of Destiny Rescue International Inc.
Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

The total expenditure to Destiny Rescue International for 2025 was $1,843,720 (2024: $1,657,384) for rescue/aid work in non disclosed countries that Destiny Rescue cannot directly send funds to, and group IT and HR support services. The countries are non disclosed for security purposes to keep both Destiny Rescue and their partners staff safe.

NOTE 20: REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS

Remuneration of the auditor for the 2025 and 2024 financial years was as follows:	2025 $	2024 $
Audit of the financial statements	19,800	19,280
Non-audit services	1,720	1,710
Total	**21,520**	**20,990**

NOTE 21: Events after the end of the Reporting Period

The financial report was authorised for issue on 22 April 2026 by the Board of Directors.

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.

Director's Declaration

Destiny Rescue Ltd
Financial report for the year ended 31 December 2025

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The directors of the Company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 6 to 22, are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 and:

    a. comply with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosure; and

    b. give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31 December 2025 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the Company.

2. In the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Lachlan Anderson (Chair)

Dated 22 April 2026

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

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Destiny Rescue Limited (the Company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2025 and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Destiny Rescue Limited is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

(i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2025 and of its performance for the year then ended; and

(ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Regulation 2022*.

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 auditor independence requirements of section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting 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 believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2025 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 of the Company for the Financial Report

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the 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 Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Directors are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibility 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 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 the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment 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 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, internal omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain and understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and 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 Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude 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 Company 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.

We communicate with the Directors 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 the audit.

MGI Audit Pty Ltd

T L Harris
Director

Brisbane

22 April 2026

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