



Rebuilding Afghanistan through the empowerment of women and children.



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#### **DEDUCTIBLE GIFT RECIPIENT STATUS**

Monetary donations made to Mahboba's Promise over AUD\$2.00 are tax deductible. You can claim this deduction directly with the Australian Taxation Office.

#### ACFID CODE OF CONDUCT

Mahboba's Promise is a member of The Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) and as such, adheres to the voluntary and self-regulatory ACFID Code of Conduct. Complaints relating to a breach of the Code can be made to ACFID. For information about how to make a complaint, visit www.acfid.asn.au.



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### What we do

Mahboba's Promise Incorporated is a notfor-profit organisation focused primarily on improving the lives of women and children in Afghanistan.

Almost four decades of conflict in Afghanistan has had a detrimental impact on the economy and society at large.

Mahboba's Promise is strongly tied to communities in both Australia and Afghanistan. Our close engagement with local leaders in Afghanistan is a unique facet of the implementation of our programs.

2020 Review

Revenue \$1,315,642



1 21% Increase

### Beneficiaries

**300** people at Barikab IDP Camp.

700 beneficiaries of Parwan Flash Flood.

35 poor street children, women and elderly daily wage workers during pandemic.

525 beneficiaries of pandemic food distribution.

1050 beneficiaries from the distribution of monthly food supply.

**300** orphans benefited from the provision of food, accommodation, healthcare, security and education at Kabul, Panjshir, Takhar, & Panjshir Hope Houses.

Provided employment for **50** staff in Mahboba's Promise Projects in different provinces.

# From our patron



Dame Quentin Bryce AD CVO, 25<sup>th</sup> Governor general of the Commonwealth of Australia



The Honourable Quentin Bryce AD CVO

#### Message from Patron

As Patron of Mahboba's Promise, I commend the organisation on its continued dedication in helping disadvantaged women and children in Afghanistan.

Their approach sees them providing practical assistance and relief to those most in need in as well as creating a lasting impact through education and vocational training programs and providing a platform for young people in leadership.

This year the organisation has supported several young women from regions across Afghanistan to undertake and complete further education. Hope Houses are operated by tertiary-educated women, with several more recent university graduates working as teachers. Older orphan boys have been trained at the organisation's confectionery factory in sweet-making, business administration and marketing, and work at the business part time while completing their university studies or secondary education.

Many of the staff in Afghanistan have been raised through the work of Mahboba's Promise and are now employed by the organisation in various leadership roles, using their own experience to inspire better futures for young orphan children. Grassroots organisations like Mahboba's Promise are proving to be absolutely vital in building opportunity for both women and men in Afghanistan.

While the situation in Afghanistan is far from resolved, Mahboba's Promise continues to make a profound impact across many regions of the war-tom country.

Congratulations to Mahboba's Promise on another year of achievement. I am proud to be Patron and encourage all to contribute to the work of this significant organisation in any way they can.

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### Mahboba Rawi OAM

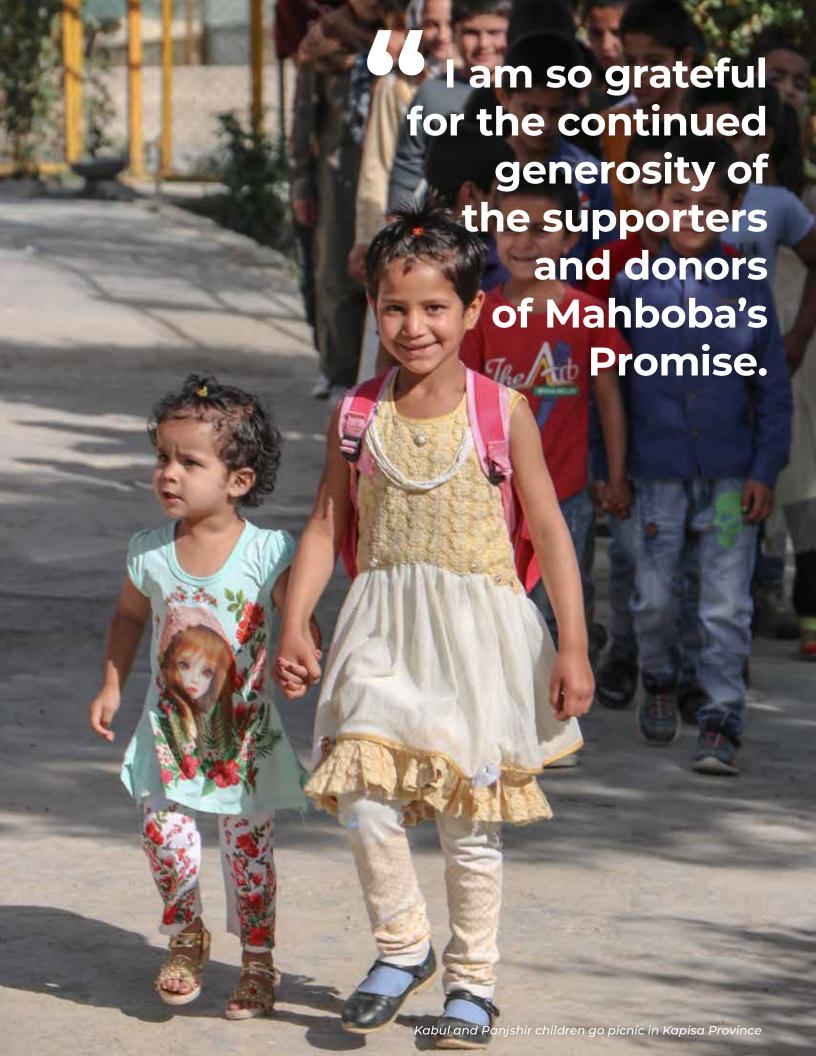
This year has been tough for the whole world and this has been reflected in a drop in donations to charities. While this is challenging, I am so grateful for our volunteers. And the time they give to us.

Afghanistan is worse than ever before. I have not seen the country this bad in all of the 24 years I have been working with the people there. I have always dreamed that one day Afghanistan would be peaceful and stable, and only then could I retire. This year I have lost that hope, and I do not believe I will see this in my lifetime. What keeps me going is seeing the happy orphans in our Hope Houses. It is so encouraging to see a child, who once sat on the street polishing shoes, now happy and thriving.

I am so grateful for the continued generosity of the supporters and donors of Mahboba's Promise. We have been able to achieve so much by working with the Australian community. We are so blessed to live in this beautiful country, and I am so proud to be a Muslim Australian. I am so grateful that God has given me this opportunity to work with orphans and widows in Afghanistan.

While this is a challenging time for Mahboba's Promise and for Afghanistan, I strongly believe that with passion, dedication and commitment, together we will get through this difficult time in our lives.







# From the management committee

### Khurshida Ajam, President, Mahboba's Promise INC

It is with great pleasure that I write this report on behalf of the Management Committee. Most of this report is focused on the first half of 2020, which set unprecedented challenges with the COVID 19 pandemic. Both the Australian and Afghanistan offices were to charter unnavigated waters!

It was certainly a case of when "the going gets tough the tough get going" and the resilience displayed by all the staff and volunteers both in Australia and Afghanistan to overcome this challenge was heart-warming. The office took this as a time to reset and was so capably led by Sourosh Cina who joined Mahboba Promise as General Manager.

The agenda for much needed change, whist continuing the momentum with business as usual, was in neat balance, still ensuring funds were raised for the women and children of Afghanistan. The emergence of a growth advisory board – saw volunteers pull together a strategy geared at growth for the organization and it is so exciting to witness all this hard work come to fruition.

Wheels were in motion for planned departures, of some long tenured staff but due to COVID, we were unable to bid them farewell in person. We do however acknowledge them formally in this report and thank them for all their contributions made to Mahbobas Promise in making it the success it has been and continues to be.

At the heart of all the changes and challenges this year, it is the people who have kept Mahboba's Promise goingthe people being volunteers who give their time, the people being donors who continue to give donations, the people being my colleagues on the MC who volunteer their evenings and the people that share the message with their well-wishes. These people all have one thing in common – a spirit of generosity to give and that is why I am grateful and privileged to be associated with all of you – on behalf of the MC, thank you, Khurshida Ajam.

# Mahboba's Promise Afghanistan

### Our implementing partner

Mahboba's Promise Afghanistan (MPA) is our principle implementation partner on the ground in Afghanistan.

Although the two organisations are separate bodies, the mutual goal of MPA and MPI is the same; to the advance local communities in Afghanistan.

MPA employs approximately 50 local staff to assist in the operations and management of MPI-funded programs and initiatives.

The international collaboration agreement between MPI and MPA strives to build capacity, improve communication, enhance accountability and reporting wherever possible.



















# **Barikab Camp**

### Community Outreach

Ongoing conflict presents a serious humanitarian concern in many regions of Afghanistan. Following serious violence in the Badakhshan region, around 300 families were forced to flee their homes. Classified as internally displaced persons (IDPs), the government provided an emergency camp with one tent for each family. Mahboba's Promise was able to assist all of these families with basic necessities including meals, additional shelter and health support.

Entering the cold winter months, many families dispersed to Kabul or returned to their home village, where a sense of security had returned. Some families, however, had nowhere to go. These 30 or so families were then moved to the Barikab District of Parwan Province, into muddy houses previously used for locals displaced by avalanches.





This camp is located in a remote and desertlike area, with limited water and sanitation. 110 children aged between 1 and 10 live in the Barikab Camp. Conditions during winter are particularly harsh, and the absence of medical facilities, warm clothes and blankets means many children are affected by coughs and colds.

A lack of potable water meant many families were melting snow for drinking water. The only other alternative was to walk many kilometers with buckets and containers to a Mosque to collect water. In January, a 2KW solar system was installed, connecting a water well to the ground and supplying running water to the Barikab IDPs.

As the only organisation to reach this camp, Mahboba's Promise has now made four trips to the camp to distribute essential supplies to these families including flour, oil, tea, sugar tomatoes, onions, and charcoal for heating, clothes and blankets.

## **Widows Outreach**

### **Community Outreach**

In Afghanistan, earning an income is difficult for married women. Decades of ongoing conflict has left many families without a breadwinner and as such, no income for basic necessities like food, clothing or medicine. Widows are one of the most vulnerable groups in Afghanistan as a result.

Despite COVID-19, Mahboba's Promise was able to distribute monthly groceries to sponsored widows under amended conditions. Physical distancing has been

implemented where possible and gloves and masks distributed to all widows receiving monthly groceries in order to prevent the spread.

In addition to the widows who receive support, over 400 dependent children benefit from the provision of monthly groceries from Mahboba's Promise.







# **Permaculture Farm**

### Community Outreach

Food security is still a major problem that continues to create difficulties for the local population in Afghanistan. In response to these needs, Mahboba's Promise established a Permaculture Farm on the outskirts of Kabul in 2010.

The farm is now entirely self-sustainable, offering a source of employment for some of Afghanistan's otherwise destitute widows who can cultivate and sell the produce grown at the site.

In the last year, the farm produced a bounty of beautiful cucumbers in the new greenhouse. There are now two deliveries sent to the Kabul Hope House each week of additional cucumbers, tomatoes, and other produce to help feed the orphans who live there.

# **Confectionery Factory**

### **Vocational Training**

The confectionery factory provides training to young people, many of whom were orphans in the Kabul Hope House, so that they have the skills to create their own employment opportunities. Training is also offered in administration, sales and marketing.





The factory provides goods to 50 storefronts and is now self-sufficient, producing more than 12000 kilograms of confectionery during Ramadan. A percentage of profits go towards supporting other Mahboba's Promise projects, including the Kabul Hope House.



# **LBW Trust Scholarships**

### **Vocational Training**

Sadaf has recently finished her 2-year diploma program in stomatology at the Istiqlal Medical Institute. She is working as trainee dentist in a clinic near her university. She has learned filling, extraction, bridge and teeth making. Sadaf is also studying English to meet terminology requirements.

Yasamin has finished her 4th semester of law and political science at Gawharshad University. She is one of the top students, with an impressive percentage average. Yasamin also participates in many cocurricular programs, conferences and social work activities.

Sahar studies at Mili University, majoring in law and political science. She is a talented student and has achieved excellent marks. "I want to become a talented lawyer so that I can fight injustice, administrative corruption and defend the real and lawful rights of women and girls in a post-war country like Afghanistan."





# **Zainab Children**

### Children's Development

UN and UNICEF estimates suggest that more than 30% of schoolchildren in Afghanistan are their family's only wage earner, with around 60,000 children working on the streets of Kabul alone. These children are particularly vulnerable to exploitation, and are at risk of severe physical and psychological distress.

In collaboration with the Zainab Foundation, Mahboba's Promise is assisting 197 street children by providing a monthly stipend to prevent these children from working on the street.

This monthly payment buys the family's food and any education expenses, so that children have the time and funds to go to school, rather than undertaking activities like selling gum and tea, shoe polishing, garbage collecting or car-washing.



# **Kabul Hope House**

### Children's Development

Najeeba and her two brothers, Noor Ahmad and Fazel Ahmad, have lived in Kabul Hope House for almost a decade. They recently moved out into their own place and are undertaking their own respective vocations. Najeeba is coaching taekwondo in the Hope House and is enjoying learning to knit in her spare time.

Noor Ahmad undertook a plumbing course with Mahboba's Promise in 2015, and is now a professional plumber, working on one of the main streets

Fazel Ahmad is in his last year of high school, and works in the confectionery factory. After school, undertaking training to be a salesman and learning about marketing.

Najeeba and her brothers are a great example of how Mahboba's Promise has helped orphans to be self-sufficient, and lead their own lives.







# **Takhar Hope House**

### Children's Development

23 orphaned boys live in the Hope House day to day whilst another 29 boys and girls come only during the day for schooling.

A new Admin officer, Hanif, has been recruited for the Takhar orphanage.

Hanif grew up in Kabul Hope House and Mahboba's Promise have been supporting him through education, accommodation, food, clothes, medical care, and training courses. He finished his schooling and participated university preparation courses in Kabul. Later, he participated in a university entrance exam and succeeded in Law and political science at Balkh University in Balkh province.

Due to a Taliban attack to Baharak District and the Coronavirus outbreak, all 23 of the hope house children were sent to their families and relatives. As the security in Baharak District is still fragile, the children are not able to return to the orphanage. Two orphaned brothers were moved to Kabul Hope House, as they had no place to go.

# **Panjshir Hope House**

### Children's Development

There are 30 orphans in Panjshir Hope House, 24 boys and 6 girls, aged 4 to 14 years. The children learn English, mathematics, computer studies, supplementary classes, and Islamic classes within the centre.

The orphanage was in quarantine for about two months. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, orphans who have relatives in the Panjshir province were sent to stay with any remaining family, and the remainder were brought to Kabul Hope House, where there are more facilities to look after them.

We procured solar panels to meet the power needs of the center and also renewed the carpet of the center's basement.

Children received New clothes as a gift for the Eid -ul Adha.





# **Badakshan Hope House**

### Children's Development

There are 30 orphans, 22 boys and 8 Girls, living in Badakhshan Hope House.

During lockdown, all the 30 students were kept in the orphanage. they had their usual schedule and were also taught how to prevent the spread of coronavirus.

New clothes and boots purchased for the children to celebrate Eid days. Children celebrated Eid -ul-Adha and enjoyed Qurban Fresh Meat.





## **Success Stories**

### Kabul Hope House

Hadia, Mursal, Nawida, Rayhana and Taieba's father was a driver. He could not work properly to support his daughters after being shot in the hand during a robbery, and unfortunately passed away only last year. When their mother died from a stroke, the sisters were each sent to a different relative, as nobody could look after all of them. Thankfully, they have been reunited at the Hope House and are thriving, given the opportunity to learn and be with each other once again.

Hadia, age 14, would like to finish her education and be a good role model to other Afghan girls. Being with other children has helped them to forget their past and continue their life with a happy expanded family. "We found many good sisters and brothers here and do not feel alone." All the girls are very excited to return to school once they re-open due to COVID-19.





Hanif came to Kabul Hope House when he was 7 years old. Now 21 years old, Hanif is studying Law and Political Science in his 5th semester at Balkh University. As schools and universities are closed due to COVID-19, he is helping Mahboba's Promise as coordinator of Takhar Hope House until his studies resume.

"The people of my home town are called Samangani, and work mostly in other provinces as construction workers. Almost all of them are illiterate and working to survive in other provinces. If Mahboba's Promise was not there during the time when we needed to survive, I would be one of those Samanganis. Mahboba's Promise has really changed my life and helped me have a brighter future by providing me with all I need to learn and study.

I will never forget their favors, they have made my dreams come true. Thank you very much Mahboba's Promise and its supporters."







# **Fostering integration**

### Australian Project

Each of these events aimed to target 100 participants from Afghan and other CALD communities. These welcome events were a tool for these women to build social skills and increase confidence.

The program helps to educate, empower, and encourage the social and economic participation of refugee and migrant women from CALD backgrounds. It will also indirectly benefit the participants' families and local communities, as engaging in Australian services and mental health programs will lead to a decrease in social isolation.









### **CALD to health Cumberland**

### **Australian Project**

CALD to Health is a family-centered health and social-support program assisting 50 disadvantaged single mothers from CALD backgrounds. The program delivered 6 workshops and 12 yoga classes, providing advice and support regarding women's health and wellbeing.

These workshops will not only provide direct health information, activities, and social support, but will also serve as a platform to link participants with beneficial services and organisations in the Cumberland area.

This program will increase access to physical and mental health services, and strengthen community capacity through interconnectedness and social engagement.



# Marsfield mothers support network

### **Australian Project**

The program involved five support group sessions held over ten months, each two hours in duration. Each session focused on everyday challenges for single mothers. The content of these sessions included:

- · Financial counselling and advice.
- · Mental health literacy and self-care.
- An interactive forum focused on the lived experience of migrants in Australia.
- Information workshop aimed at building awareness of Australian services, particularly those within the Ryde community.
- A multicultural dinner in celebration of diversity.

Alongside these sessions, the program also provided participants with:

- Petrol vouchers
- Electricity vouchers
- Free homework tutoring for the children of participants



## Bibi's house

### Australian Project

This project included 12 informational and participatory workshops over six months. The topics of these workshops was determined based on the needs of participants. Its aimed is to reduce the isolation refugee women experience when arriving in Australia and to empower them to become more active in the community.

This program will increase access to physical and mental health services, and strengthen community capacity through interconnectedness and social engagement.





## School's Promise

### **Australian Project**

School's Promise workshops involve an ambassador from the Mahboba's Promise Youth Committee giving an interactive presentation to students. Depending on the scale of the workshop, culturally diverse food, music, performances, and activities was incorporated.

These presentations can vary, but the common theme is to encourage empathy and prompt students to look beyond their immediate selves. The workshops aim to show students that they have more in common with those from different backgrounds than they have differences.

The workshops educates students about the issues facing those in their local, national, and international community. We seek to empower them to take positive action and address these issues in a way that is meaningful to them.



# **OHOH Fundraiser**

### **Australian Project**

Mahboba's Promise was delighted to cohost an "Open Home, Open Heart" dinner, raising funds and awareness of Panjshir Valley refugees.

The sale of tickets, a raffle, Afghan jewellery and rugs on the evening resulted in a financial success. Mahboba's Promise is proud to be building bridges across cultures through food and conversation, providing an engaging and enjoyable experience for all.

We are incredibly grateful to long-standing friend and partner of Mahboba's Promise, Carol Flanagan, for opening her home to 48 attendees for the event.







# **Afghan Youth Nawroz**

### Australian Project

This event was held in February 2020 celebrated Nawroz with the sharing of Afghan food and culture, raising awareness of the work of Mahboba's Promise in the process.

The event was a great opportunity for both leaders and youth from the Afghan and Australian communities to meet over food and song, whilst raising money for the work of Mahboba's Promise through the sale of raffle tickets, jewellery and prizes.

We were also fortunate to have Mariam Veiszadeh, founder and former president of the Islamophobia Register Australia present to speak as a prominent member of the Australian Muslim Community. Mariam is also an official Amabassador for Welcome to Australia and Participate Australia.

### **BOARD MEMBERS**



**MAHBOBA RAWI** 

#### Founder and Vice-President

Mahboba Rawi founded Mahboba's Promise in 1998. She has been awarded the Order of Australia Medal in 2010 for her humanitarian work, and is involved in promoting crosscultural dialogue within the Australian community, currently serving as a member of the Multicultural NSW Regional Advisory Council (RAC) for the North Sydney region. Meetings attended 8 / 8



**SHEHANA TALIB** 

#### Secretary

Currently leader in superannuation and insurance department, Shehana studied information technology in programming and has 8 years of experience in super and legal. Shehana is passionate about equality and strong advocate for women's rights.

Meetings attended 8/8



#### **KHURSHIDA AJAM**

#### President

Khurshida has over 20 years of experience in commercial and consulting roles in sales, marketing and medical education, working with a number of blue chip companies. Khurshida holds a Bachelor of Psychology and a Masters of Commerce from the University of New South Wales (UNSW), is member of American Society of Training and Development and has a passion for Women in Leadership. Meetings attended 8/8



### **KUMAR SRI-PATHMA**

#### **Treasurer**

Kumar a member of the Australian Society of Certified
Practicing Accountants (CPA) and a member of the
Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, United
Kingdom (FCMA, CGMA). He has several years of Finance and
Accounting experience working in Sri Lanka, Zambia, New
Zealand and now in Australia.

Meetings attended 8/8



**MANIJAH HAKIM** 

#### General Member

Manijah holds a Masters in Islamic Studies and has extensive experience working with torture and trauma survivors, refugees, people in crisis and the most vulnerable. Manijah is the coordinator of the Sponsorship Programme and works with the Schools Promise Committee.

Meetings attended 8/8



**SHIRIN DAWOOD** 

#### General Member

Shirin is a member of the Australian Society of Certified
Practicing Accountants (CPA). She has 15 years of experience
in financial accounting and reporting working with various
not-for-profit organisations in Australia.

Meetings attended 8/8



**NAWAD CINA** 

#### General Member

Sourosh recently completed studies in Law and International Studies at the University of Technology Sydney, and is in the process of completing his Practical Legal Training with the Refugee Advice & Casework Servic

# **VOLUNTEERS**

#### Staff, volunteers and donors

We are pleased to welcome aboard many new volunteers to Mahboba's Promise. Human Resources, Operations, Marketing, Business Analysis, Special Projects, Sponsorship, IT and Groundskeeping are just some of the areas where our new volunteers are improving the way we operate, and in doing so are making a tangible impact in the lives of women and children in Afghanistan.

Our volunteers come from a wide variety of professional and cultural backgrounds, and we are grateful to be able to celebrate this wonderfully diverse community with team lunches and team-building activities.





# **Staff**

#### Staff, volunteers and donors

We would like to welcome Ayesha Khan as Marketing and Communications Manager. Ayesha brings over 14 years of experience in Marketing experience to Mahboba's Promise. Her specialisations include campaign and strategic management, brand development and business planning.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to some of our departing staff members, Nazreen, Kumar, Martin and Emily.

Nazreen Richmond became a part of the team at Mahboba's Promise in November 2011. We express our tremendous gratitude for her attention to detail in service to Mahboba's Promise. In her own words, "Mahboba's Promise has been a part of my life's journey."

Kumar Sri-Pathma has been involved in Mahboba's Promise for over 7 years. We acknowledge Kumar's extensive contribution through his knowledge of foreign exchange management and auditing processes in his position as Treasurer.

Martin O'Dea has stepped down as Secretary, following an outstanding 10 years of service to Mahboba's Promise.

We would also like to express our sincere thanks to Emily Mays, who has been involved in Communications and Fundraising with Mahboba's Promise since mid-2017



# **Staff**

#### Staff, volunteers and donors

It is with great pleasure that Mahboba's Promise has welcomed Sourosh Cina as General Manager.

Sourosh recently completed studies in Law and International Studies at the University of Technology Sydney, and is in the process of completing his Practical Legal Training with the Refugee Advice & Casework Service. Sourosh brings with him extensive cross-cultural competency, having spent a year abroad in Spain, in addition to his intimate knowledge of Mahboba's Promise and the work undertaken by our organisation, having been founded by his mother.

Sourosh had the opportunity to visit
Afghanistan in 2015 and was able to
view first-hand the delivery of projects
and aid programs, giving him a unique
perspective in the organisation and
operational capabilities of the charity. We
look forward to seeing further achievements
of Mahboba's Promise under his capable
leadership.



### **Donors**

#### Staff, volunteers and donors

We extend our deepest thanks to our generous and committed sponsors for their support of Mahboba's Promise this past financial year.

Our team could not achieve any of the highlights detailed earlier in this report without the assistance of the Australian public, from whom the majority of our funding is raised.

We would like to recognise Bill from Bega Valley, who for 12 years supported Mahboba's Promise by raising money for multiple projects. Bill has since passed away just over a year ago. Before he died, he requested that instead of flowers his friends and family should donate to MPI. When Mahboba thanked him for the support over the 12 years he said there would be one more event post his passing where he would make a contribution to a cause he so strongly supported.

We would like to recognise Jo Kirk, who has been a generous supporter of Mahboba's Promise for over a decade.

Several years ago, then roads leading to Abdara Girls Schools in Panjshir were subjected to flooding preventing the girls from reaching the school. It was final examinations period for most of the students. In the time of need, Mahboba reached out to Jo who very generously supported the building of a bridge over the flooded pathways allowing girls to get to the school safely.

We can not thank Jo enough for her valuable contribution at this and many other occasions.









Auditor's Independence Declaration under Sub-division 60-40 of the *Australian Charities* and *Not-for-profit Commission Act, 2012* to the members of the Management Committee of Mahboba's Promise Incorporated.

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2020 there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

**Nexia Sydney Audit Pty Ltd** 

Stephen Fisher

Director

Sydney

Dated: November 2020

# Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
Revenues and other income	4	1,302,771	1,070,105
Interest		12,871	16,697
Funds to international programs		(792,746)	(752,041)
Funds to domestic programs		(32,161)	(17,441)
Employee expenses	5	(120,076)	(138,749)
Operating Expenses		(91,788)	(95,928)
Depreciation expense - right-of-use assets	8	(12,386)	-
Depreciation expense	9	(7,904)	(7,308)
Surplus for the year attributable to the members of Mahboba's Promise Incorporated		258,581	75,335
Other comprehensive income for the year		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the members of Mahboba's Promise Incorporated		258,581	75,335

#### Sources of Income

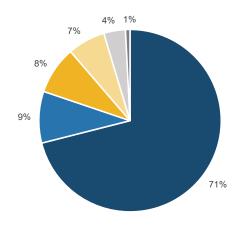
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Grants

Revenue for Welfare Programs

- Monetary Donations
- Other Income
- Investment Income

#### Ratio of Expenditure



- International Development ProgramsFundraising
- Welfare Programs
- Domestic Programs Expenditure
- Accountability and Administration
- Community Education

# Statement of financial position

As at 30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
ASSETS		Ψ	————
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	1,491,526	1,178,164
Other assets	7	77,622	28,513
Total current assets		1,569,148	1,206,677
Non-current assets	5		
Right-of-use assets	8	34,060	-
Property, plant and equipment	9	30,286	15,384
Total non-current assets		64,346	15,384
Total assets		1,633,494	1,222,061
LIABILITIES Current liabilities			
Other creditors	10	68,984	11,645
Lease liabilities	11	12,166	-
Employee benefits	12	40,887	31,791
Unearned revenue	13	51,602	-
Total current liabilities		173,639	43,436
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	11	22,649	-
Total non-current liabilities		22,649	-
Total liabilities		196,288	43,436
Net assets		1,437,206	1,178,625
EQUITY			
Retained surplus		1,437,206	1,178,625
Total equity		1,437,206	1,178,625

# Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Retained Surplus \$	Total Equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2018	1,103,290	1,103,290
Surplus for the year	75,335	75,335
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	75,335	75,335
Balance at 30 June 2019	1,178,625	1,178,625
Balance at 1 July 2019	1,178,625	1,178,625
Surplus for the year	258,581	258,581
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	_
Total comprehensive income for the year	258,581	258,581
Balance at 30 June 2020	1,437,206	1,437,206

#### Financial Health

The 2019-2020 fundraising year saw Mahboba's Promise Incorporated generate more than \$1.2 million in revenue. This was about 20% higher than budgetary expectations. This has allowed us to maintain our aid and development work within Afghanistan despite adverse conditions, including other prominent international crises being the focus of international attention and a declining exchange rate between the Australian and United States currencies.

The budgeted exchange rate (AUD/USD) for the year was USD 0.6500 to AUD 1. However, we received an average rate of 0.6850 for the year due to favourable forward cover contracts. Mahboba's Promise Incorporated introduced a number of cost saving measures within our Australian office to ensure the organisation's commitment to our beneficiaries in Afghanistan remained strong and the impact of the declining exchange rate had a minimum impact.

Mahboba's Promise Incorporated's operating ratios are quite healthy and as of the end of financial year the organisation's cash balance is sufficient to cover at least 12 months of actual expenses required to operate the organisation.

## Statement of cash flows

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from operations		1,263,821	1,108,774
Operating payments		(940,524)	(1,012,578)
Interest received		12,871	16,697
Net cash from operating activities		336,168	112,893
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment	9	(22,806)	(7,729)
Net cash used in investing activities		(22,806)	(7,729)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net cash from financing activities		-	-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		313,362	105,164
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		1,178,164	1,073,000
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	6	1,491,526	1,178,164

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

#### To the members of Mahboba's Promise Incorporated

We have audited the summarized Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) Code of Conduct Summary Financial Report of Mahboba's Promise Incorporated on pages 23 to 25 of the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2020 in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the information reported in the ACFID summarised financial report is consistent with the annual statutory financial report from which it is derived and upon which we expressed our audit opinion in our report to the members. For a better understanding of the scope of our audit this report should be read in conjunction with our audit report on the annual statutory financial report.

#### **Nexia Sydney Audit Pty Ltd**

**Stephen Fisher** 

Director

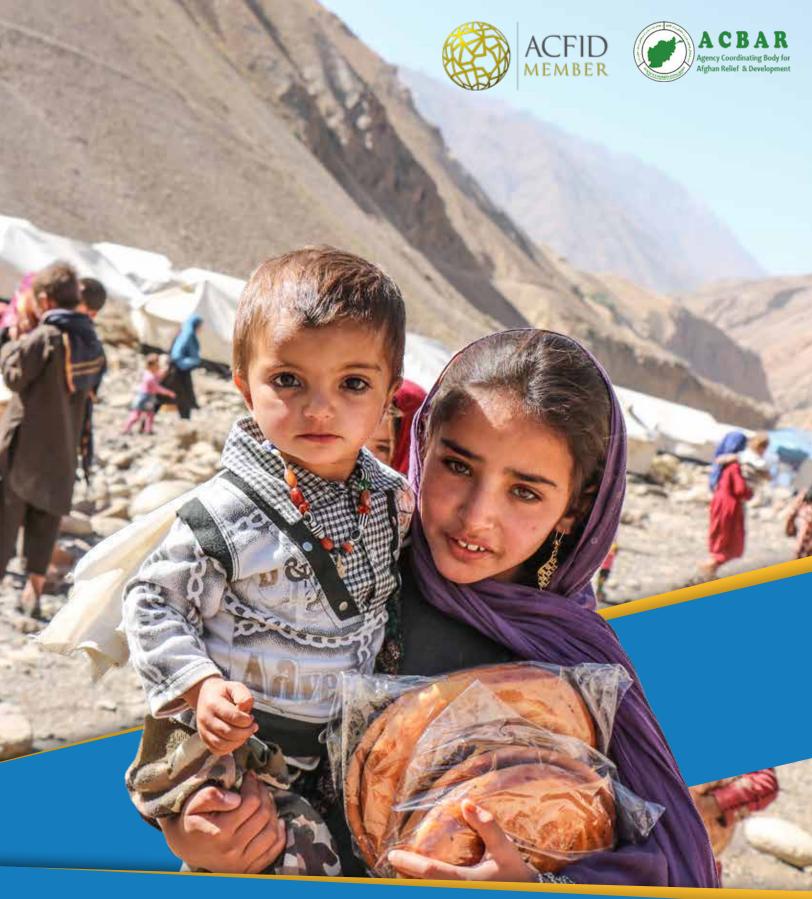
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#### **AFGHAN NGO STATUS**

Our implementing partner in Afghanistan
Mahboba's Promise NGO is an observer
member of the Agency Coordinating Body for
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