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Corporate Information

The Association

The DREAMIN Foundation Inc, is incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act and reports to the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC)

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A Message from the Chair

DREAMIN is an acronym for the Dean Richards Endeavour to Assist the Medically Ill and Needy. It honours the memory of the late Dean Richards, a stalwart of the Rotary Club of Prospect. It was founded in 2003 and provides a mechanism support appropriate medical intervention service for those people in need in South Australia, Australia and developing countries. The Foundation is chaired by Professor Suren Krishnan and its board comprises doctors, members of the Rotary Club of Prospect and the wider community.

Many supporters of the DREAMIN Foundation joined us for the magnificent DREAMIN Adelaide Cup Luncheon at the beautiful Dulwich House in March this year. It was an incredible day, filled with fun and entertainment but most importantly fundraising for our special cause. With all of your help we raised $33,150. We are so grateful for Viv and Florence Padman for opening their home to us for another year and look forward to their ongoing support and generosity.

A superb Banquet lunch crafted by Beyond India with outstanding wines from our long-term major sponsor Andrew Peace Wines as well as beers and soft drinks. There was an excellent sweep, raffles and wine wall on the day. As well as prizes for best dressed, best hat, and a big screen TV to watch the race.

The Foundation's work with Maranatha Health in Uganda continues to gain the attention of our supporters and we look forward to supporting their projects into the future. Maranatha has outgrown expectations and has been fully functional for over 10 years. Plans to build a purpose-built hospital on land which has already been purchased are in place and fundraising has begun for this build. The DREAMIN Foundation are interested in supporting the building of Operating Theatres for the new hospital

We have continued our support and partnership with Adelaide Paediatrics to fund Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), screening for young children and their families. Unfortunately, there are sometimes long wait lists in the public sector and a specialist diagnosis is required prior to accessing NDIS funding for children's therapy and support. Thus, DREAMIN Foundation has financially supported another 12 families to undergo assessment and opening the door for life-changing therapy for these children. The DREAMIN foundation has also provided Royal Lifesaving SA, funding for their inclusive swim programme, which is an extension to the screening with Adelaide Paediatrics, to include three children from the Inclusive Swim Programme.

As reported last year the need for ENT surgeons in the Pacific has been identified as a need by the World Health Organisation. Prof Suren Krishnan through the DREAMIN Foundation has put together the PACIFICA ENT project which is providing sustainable training for ENT surgeons in the Pacific. The 40-week course has, two 20-week semesters, and is being taught by Prof Suren Krishnan and two other surgeons. Two of the four students already have surgical experience. The DREAMIN Foundation would like to try to raise money to help all the teachers with their airfare and accommodation costs whilst volunteering on this programme. It was estimated that $80K would be required over the three years of the project.

The Foundation contributed $10,000 towards a Hampton Rotary Club Global Grant screening children in the Pacific Islands for hearing difficulties. So far 22 schools have been screened with 80% of children being diagnosed with hearing difficulties.