



# Impact Report 2024



# Our 2024 Impact

Thanks to the support Lung Foundation Australia has received throughout the 2024 financial year, we have seen our impact on the lives of Australians facing lung disease and lung cancer continue to grow. Your generosity - whether through dedicated funds for our programs, donations, or the time you volunteered to supporting our services - has had a meaningful and lasting impact on the lives of thousands of Australians, and for this we would like to express our sincere gratitude. Below are just a few of Lung Foundation Australia's achievements, made possible through your support.

## Supporting patients and carers to live their best lives

**4,262** health-related enquiries to our Information and Support Centre



**1,868** telephone-based appointments with a nurse or social worker

**1,039,117**

people connected with resources, support services and programs through our website



## Advocating for equity in lung health



**65+** government submissions

**250+** meetings held with consumer advocates, politicians, public servants and NGO allies



## Supporting best-practice patient care and support



**3,042** healthcare professional registrations for learning sessions to educate and upskill the workforce

**8,157**

engaged healthcare professionals



**1,136** references screened for review by the COPD-X committee, 75 changes to COPD-X with 9 changes likely to impact clinical practice

**Contributed** to the development of the first national COPD Clinical Care Standards



## Raising the profile of lung health

**3,350** earned media stories about lung health that reached 1.01 billion people



**94,963** people accessed our online Lung Health Checklist

**229** people saw their GP after taking the lung health checklist with 85 reporting receiving a diagnosis



# Our five-year progress

Lung Foundation Australia's five-year strategy aims to transform and modernise our organisation. We're equipping ourselves to better support the one in three Australians living with lung disease or lung cancer.



## Building toward: requiring additional investment

- Closing the Gap Lung Health Plan in place.
- Strengthen COPD-X Guidelines reducing hospital admissions and readmissions by 20%.
- Hope Research Strategy investing a minimum of \$5m per annum.
- Hope Research Fund reaches \$50m by 2030 - 45% achieved.
- Promoting environmental sustainability and 100% carbon neutral.

## On track

- Improve financial sustainability by achieving annual operating surplus, excluding bequests.
- Create and sustain 150 lung health support groups particularly in regional and remote communities.
- Increase the number of Specialist Lung Cancer Nurses to 100 in areas of highest need.
- Advocate for implementation of all 21 recommendations in the National Strategic Action Plan for Lung Conditions.

## Achieving

- Recognised Health Peak Advisory Body - reappointed for another two years.
- Secure a National Lung Cancer Screening Program - commences in July 2025.
- Contribute to national policy debate on air quality, lung health and lung cancer.
- Recruit and retain 1,500 volunteers and supporters as valued advocates.
- Grow healthcare professionals' partnerships to 1,500 active supporters.
- Government investment in Lung Foundation Australia's programs and services increases to \$2.5m per annum.
- Embed our Consumer Engagement Strategy, increasing community participation in our work.
- Proactive national preventative health campaigns with an emphasis on immunisation, Healthy Lungs at Work, smoking cessation and QUIT campaigns.
- Be an Employer of Choice with staff engagement scores (passion and progress) above 90%.
- Build on our 150+ submissions to government with over 80% success rate, targeting affordable access to medicines and treatments.

# Contents

Welcome	6
About us	7
Priscilla's story	8
Support at your fingertips	9
Anita's story	10
Lal's story	11
Transforming lives through generosity	13
Empowered by experts	14
The impact of our advocacy	15
Fighting the dust	16
Elevating lung health education	17
Working together with healthcare professionals	18
Research investment	18
Our team and culture	20
Reconciliation Action Plan	21
Board and governance	22
In memory	23
Corporate partners and supporters	24
Financials	26
How you can support us	28

We thank our Patron, Governor-General, Her Excellency the Honourable Ms Sam Mostyn AC for her support and patronage.



# Welcome

In 2024, Lung Foundation Australia's 40-year mission to be a world leading, innovative and effective lung health charity continues thanks to our community of people living with or impacted by lung disease or lung cancer, and the healthcare professionals and organisations that treat them.

This year, our impact has been realised through sustained advocacy with Australia's new e-cigarette and vaping reforms. In 2019 we called out the need for strong reform to stop a new generation of young people becoming smokers. These laws are considered some of the most advanced in the world, thanks to the concerted efforts of our community to save the next generation from the insidious addiction.

This year with the government's ban on the use and importation of engineered stone, Australia now also stands as a leader in the fight against silicosis, making a noticeable impact on the lives of 600,000 Australian workers.

With the launch of Australia's Cancer Plan and our leadership in lung cancer policy, last year we celebrated the announcement of the National Lung Cancer Screening Program. This year, we worked alongside government and community agencies to ensure its readiness, developing new materials and education resources, representing participants in the program to make its arrival as seamless as possible for patients and healthcare professionals alike.

Our programs have expanded, with more than 20 Specialist Lung Cancer Nurses improving the quality of care across Australia. People unable to access this service in-person are supported by our Telehealth Specialist Lung Cancer Nurses, which received a multimillion-dollar investment by the Australian Government in 2024.

Our commitment to lung disease research continues with \$2.01m invested this year through our Hope Research Fund, made possible by you.

On behalf of our team, we express our gratitude to every supporter, donor, and volunteer who contributes so generously to Lung Foundation Australia. It is your support that ensures these campaigns innovate, champion and promote lung health and lung cancer research in Australia, and it is with you that Lung Foundation Australia is the nation's peak lung health body.

Alongside the Board, we recognise the invaluable efforts of our team, consumer advocates, healthcare professionals, and researchers in working towards a future free from lung disease and lung cancer.



**Professor Lucy Morgan**  
Chairperson



**Mark Brooke**  
Chief Executive Officer



# About us

Lung Foundation Australia funds life-changing research and delivers support services that give hope to Australians. Since 1990, we have been working to ensure lung health is a priority for all by promoting lung health and early diagnosis, advocating for policy change and research investment, raising awareness about the symptoms and prevalence of lung disease and championing equitable access to treatment and care.

## Our Vision

Lung Foundation Australia enables life-saving lung health and lung cancer research, and champions programs so that Australians with lung disease and lung cancer can live their best life.

## Our Mission

By 2030, Lung Foundation Australia will be recognised as one of the world's most innovative and effective lung health charities and a fearless leader of lung health and lung cancer policy, programs and research.

## Our Values

**Bold** | be proactive and take risks that achieve our Mission.

**Entrepreneurial** | be focused on outcomes.

**Fair** | be equitable and work in the interests of all our stakeholders, particularly patients and their carers.

**Agile** | create positive change.

**Innovative** | be inventive to achieve our Mission.

**Respectful** | be honest and work hard every day in every way – we are funded by the community, they should expect nothing less.



## Acknowledgement of Country

Lung Foundation Australia acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work throughout Australia and their unceded sovereignty of and continuing connection to land and sea. We pay our respects to their cultures and to Elders both past and present. We acknowledge the overrepresentation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in lung disease and lung cancer. In the spirit of reconciliation, we recommit to working with communities to close the gap on lung health and build on the strengths of communities to lead and guide the path to healthy lungs for all.

# Priscilla's story

Priscilla Aslanidis' life took an unexpected turn when she was suddenly diagnosed with Stage 4 incurable lung cancer aged 71.

"Being diagnosed with a major illness like Stage 4 incurable lung cancer is a shock for anyone," she said, "especially for someone who is fit and healthy and has no symptoms."

Struggling to process what the diagnosis meant for her future, Priscilla sought support through our Lung Cancer Support Nurse program. Our free telephone-based service connected Priscilla from her home in New South Wales, with Julie, a nurse who was able to answer any technical questions Priscilla had, and provide comfort and support.

"My Lung Cancer Support Nurse, Julie, is particularly empathetic. With each call she has made me feel

much more comfortable with my ongoing treatment," she said.

With the ease of this service being over the telephone, the Lung Cancer Support Nurse program is accessible from anywhere in Australia including remote and rural areas.

"Having the telephone-based option is fabulous. It's efficient and so good to be able to talk to someone in the comfort of my own home," Priscilla explained.

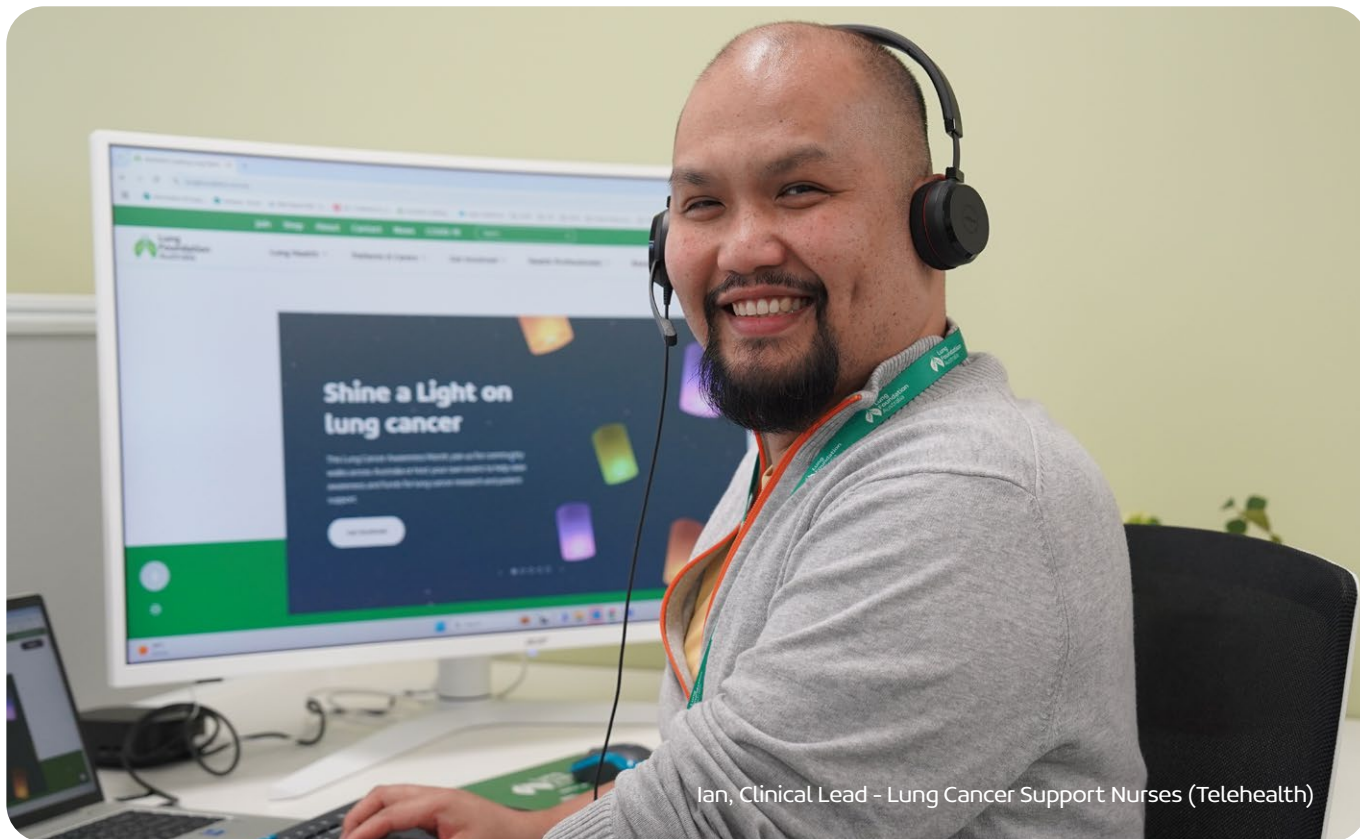
Our services are also available to a patient's carers and family members, offering the support and information they need to understand what their loved one may be going through.



*Without a second thought I would recommend this service. The treatment is a journey to be faced and dealt with one day at a time.*







Ian, Clinical Lead - Lung Cancer Support Nurses (Telehealth)

## Support at your fingertips

Our Support Services program provides guidance and information across a range of topics including:

- Processing a diagnosis
- Managing symptoms
- Wellbeing strategies
- Impact on family and relationships
- Social and practical assistance

The program also offers peer support groups for specific lung diseases and their caregivers. For lesser understood diagnoses like silicosis, peer support enables people to come together and share their experiences, encourage one another and guide each other through hardships.

### Our support services in 23/24



**63** information resources developed for patients including:

- **34** factsheets, booklets and checklists
- **10** webinars
- **19** on-demand videos



**7** new Specialist Lung Cancer Nurses recruited across NSW, QLD and SA



**14** new Lungs in Action programs with 21 new classes per week



**6,000+** occasions of support with Specialist Lung Cancer and Respiratory Care Nurses and Social Work Telehealth service

# Anita's story

Lung Foundation Australia's support services are designed to help patients navigate the complexities of various lung conditions, advocate for their own health with confidence, and empower patients to work with their healthcare team to make informed choices about their lung condition treatments and management.

Queenslander Anita Demchenko, just 46, was diagnosed with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF) after seven years of seeking answers.

Through the support services offered by Lung Foundation Australia, Anita was able to advocate for her health and seek a second opinion, which ultimately confirmed her suspicions through a biopsy.

"Initially I was given misdiagnoses which were only discovered through my own research and demanding a second opinion - it's so important to know the signs of pulmonary fibrosis - knowledge is empowering," Ms Demchenko said.

"My experience underscores the invaluable role that organisations like Lung Foundation Australia play in empowering individuals facing respiratory challenges, providing a beacon of knowledge and support in the face of uncertainty and misdiagnosis."

After receiving a lung transplant in 2018, Anita feels she has been given a second chance, which she has embraced by making it her mission to educate and advocate for research into lung conditions.

## Support service highlights



**1,852** people participated in peer support

**20** lung diseases and conditions are now supported by expanded services offering specialised groups



**33** new peer leader volunteers trained

**110+** volunteers supported



Anita Demchenko, living with IPF



*Don't be afraid to ask questions, seek second opinions, and actively participate in your treatment decisions.*

# Lal's story

Lal Pardasani was a man of resilience, generosity, and unwavering strength. For nine years, he battled Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD), a progressive condition that slowly limited his physical abilities. Yet, Lal never let this stop him. Even as his physical health deteriorated, he committed to maintaining his fitness to ensure he was an ideal candidate for a life-saving lung transplant.

Post-operation, Lal was thrilled to have more time and energy to spend with his family, especially his grandchildren. Lal cherished moments with his family and made the most of his new lungs.

However, just 17 months after the transplant, his body began to reject the donor lungs. "We expected 5-10

great years post-transplant but lost him after less than two years," Mr Pardasani's family said.

Despite this heartbreaking outcome, Lal's legacy of generosity lives on through the Pardasani family, who have made it their mission to ensure that everyone has access to the care and support they need.

In addition to raising funds, the Pardasani family continues to raise awareness and support for lung disease research, citing it as crucial for future generations.

Mr Pardasani's family encourages people to consider fundraising. Every contribution, regardless of size, brings us one step closer to life-changing breakthroughs.



*By investing in research, we're not only working toward better treatments and cures, but also improving early detection, which can save lives.*

**- Mr Pardasani's family**





Marie

Lung Foundation Australia

My Mumma



# Transforming lives through generosity

Lung Foundation Australia stands as the nation's sole charity and leading peak body dedicated to advancing lung health. With your help, we are proud to fund transformative research and provide vital support services that offer hope to those affected by lung disease and lung cancer.

Whether you're contributing to furthering research or improving support, your donations to Lung Foundation Australia make a real difference to Australians now and into the future.



## Hope Research Fund

Launched in April 2021, the Hope Research Fund was introduced to tackle the under investment of lung disease and lung cancer funded research in Australia.

Every dollar donated to the fund is invested into discovering breakthroughs that bring hope to millions of Australians. Thanks to the generous pledges and gifts from our donors, the Hope Research Fund has raised \$17.05m as of 30 June 2024, with the fund investing \$2.01m into research in 2024 alone.



## Giving Day

On 22 February 2024, Lung Foundation Australia held its annual Giving Day, where every dollar donated is matched by our generous long-standing donors to double the impact.

Funds raised during Giving Day go towards our Specialist Nurse Telehealth program, a vital service that supports hundreds of people living with lung cancer and lung disease every year. This year, our community successfully raised a total of \$151,685 in 24 hours, exceeding our ambitious goal. The success of the campaign means more Australians in need can access the invaluable assistance provided by our dedicated nurses and social worker.



## Shine a Light on Lung Cancer

During Lung Cancer Awareness Month, Lung Foundation Australia urges Australians to participate in one of our Shine a Light Walks taking place across the country to raise funds and awareness for life-changing research into lung cancer treatment.

In 2023, our community successfully raised \$276,000, enlisting an estimated 900 participants across 14 community walks and 30 Shine a Light DIY fundraiser events. Lung Foundation Australia is proud of how this community-run event continues to grow and hopes it will inspire more people to participate. These events not only raise much needed funds but also bring our community together to celebrate the lives of people with lung cancer and tackle stigma head on.

# Empowered by experts

Naomi Fitzakerley was in her mid-30s when she noticed, with growing alarm, that she was struggling to breathe. Initially misdiagnosed with asthma, it wasn't until results for a test in 2021 came back to confirm that she had COPD. Now in her 50's, South Australian Naomi reflects on the importance of early diagnosis.

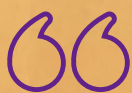
"It's hard to explain to anyone who hasn't experienced it," Naomi said. "You just feel trapped."

Following the diagnosis, Naomi was desperate for support and guidance, which led her to connect with one of our telehealth support nurses.

"They were just so helpful and went through my condition and symptoms step-by-step," she said.

For Naomi, our highly skilled Specialist Respiratory Care Nurses were able to provide evidence-based guidance on all aspects of her COPD diagnosis, including the treatment and management of her symptoms. Our expert nurses offer care, comfort, guidance and hope to Australians living with lung disease and their families.

Demand for this nurse-led telephone support service increases every year. Data shows that our specialist nurses and social workers can significantly improve the lives of Australians living with lung disease by helping them understand their diagnosis and manage their condition to live well.



*They talked me through a whole list of things that I could do to control my symptoms and gave me tips for the next time I saw my doctor.*



# The impact of our advocacy



## Specialist Lung Cancer Nurse Programs

Thanks to State Government funding, Lung Foundation Australia has seen our Specialist Lung Cancer Nurse programs expand, connecting and supporting more patients with expert care. We extended our reach to South Australia, launching three new locations for the program. Likewise in Queensland, we recruited four additional nurses across four of the program's Queensland locations.

To support face to face programs under the Australian Cancer Nursing and Navigation Program, Lung Foundation Australia is pleased to receive funding that will help us increase our Specialist Lung Cancer Nurse Telehealth Service. Six new Specialist Lung Cancer Telehealth Nurses have been recruited under this program. These nurses will help us expand our Specialist Lung Cancer Nurse Telehealth Services to reach even more people impacted by lung cancer as well as assist people access screening.



## Lung Cancer Screening

In collaboration with the Department of Health, Cancer Australia, National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health, Daffodil Centre, the University of Melbourne and Cancer Council Victoria, Lung Foundation Australia is developing new materials and education resources designed to support the implementation of the National Lung Cancer Screening Program in July 2025. We hope to make the arrival of this screening program as seamless as possible for participants and healthcare professionals alike.



## Tobacco and Vaping reform

Lung Foundation Australia welcomes the new Australian Tobacco Strategy and is pleased to see that after years of advocacy efforts from our organisation and others across the lung health community, the government passed new vaping laws on 1 July 2024 that took effect on 1 October 2024. These new laws are designed to protect the next generation of Australians from lung damage and nicotine addiction by prohibiting the sale of vapes outside of pharmacies. Lung Foundation Australia welcomes this reform as a step in the right direction in the fight against nicotine dependence.



Lung Foundation Australia representatives at Parliament House, Canberra

# Fighting the dust

Lung Foundation Australia is working to combat the ongoing threat silicosis continues to pose to 600,000 Australian workers.

Last year, we completed the draft National Silicosis Prevention Strategy and National Action Plan and final report to the Department of Health and Aged Care. We identified key areas that would reduce lung health risks in the workplace, recommending a ban on some or all engineered stone benchtop products as a priority.

Since then, the government has prohibited the use, supply and manufacture of all engineered stone from 1 July 2024. Lung Foundation Australia commends this decision and believes it will go a long way to protect workers from the dangers of engineered stone, now and into the future.

Lung Foundation Australia CEO Mark Brooke emphasises the importance of tackling the rise of silicosis in its early stages.



*While the recent ban on engineered stone marks a significant step forward in protecting workers from silica dust, there's still more work to be done. There is an ongoing need for awareness, better education, and a cultural shift in how we address workplace lung health.*

Lung Foundation Australia continues to build awareness around the risks of working with silica-containing materials through our annual National Silicosis Prevention and Awareness Campaign, which is funded by federal grants awarded in 2022. With funding from iCare NSW our campaigns and resources are now offered in six languages.

The Foundation is also leading silicosis research, convening Australia's Occupational Lung Disease Research Network and holding the Silicosis Research Summit to establish the highest research priorities.







Team member Brigitta  
at TSANZSRS 2024

# Elevating lung health education

A collaboration between Lung Foundation Australia, The Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand, and Asthma Australia, the Lung Learning Hub is an online training resource for healthcare professionals that offers quality-assured and evidence-based respiratory health education and training. The platform has become a trusted resource that helps healthcare professionals stay up to date with best practice, so they can provide their patients with the best possible care.

Our thanks and acknowledgement to consortium partners, The Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand, Asthma Australia, and several research and peak bodies.

## Lung Learning Hub



**62** education activities quality-assured and promoted

**23,245**  
unique users



**1,384**  
accounts created



**88** training providers signed up



**1,296**  
healthcare professionals

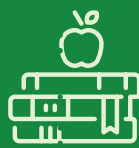
# Working together with healthcare professionals

## COPD-X

A popular companion resource to the COPD-X Plan, Lung Foundation Australia's COPD-X Handbook is a practical, mobile-friendly guide designed specifically for healthcare professionals. This year, the COPD-X Guidelines Committee and COPD Clinical Advisory Committee contributed to the development of the newly established COPD Clinical Care Standards by coordinating and delivering two letters to the Commission, as well as endorsing and reviewing the new guidelines. As such, the COPD-X Handbook is best placed to help practitioners align their care with the Standards, ensuring that patients receive the most up to date, evidence-based, patient-centred care available.



**104,183**  
COPD-X  
resources  
accessed  
online



**4** resources reviewed, updated and launched to support healthcare professionals deliver evidence-based, best-practice care for COPD



**75** changes to COPD-X with **9** changes likely to impact clinical practice

## Research investment

### Investing in the best and brightest researchers

Our Kick Start Lung Health awards and grants program identifies and encourages new, innovative research projects across a broad range of lung disease areas. This research drives a deeper understanding of the causes, prevalence and impacts of lung disease, as well as new methods of diagnosis and opportunities to improve outcomes and quality of life.

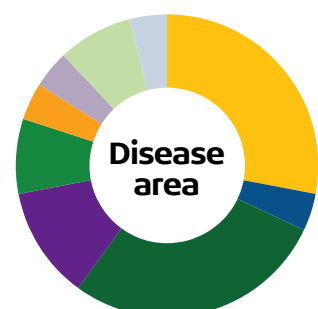
View the full list of research award recipients here.



1 July 2023 - 30 June 2024



- 1 Travel Grant
- 3 Abstracts
- 1 Research Innovation Grants
- 5 EMCR Awards (inc F'ships)
- 1 PhD Scholarship
- 3 Strategic Partnership Grants
- 11 Successful research grants supported



- 7 Lung Cancer
- 1 COPD
- 7 Interstitial lung disease
- 3 Respiratory
- 2 Advocacy
- 1 Primary ciliary dyskinesia
- 1 Lymphangiomyomatosis (LAM)
- 2 Bronchiectasis
- 1 Occupational lung disease



## Meet Professor Yet Khor

Through small grant opportunities, the Hope Research Fund is designed to bolster support for the underrepresented field of lung disease and lung cancer funded research in Australia.

Multi-grant recipient Professor Yet Khor is an emerging research leader and Associate Professor at Monash University and is a TSANZ Board Director. Her primary objective for research throughout her career has been better risk prediction and comprehensive disease management for individualised clinical care in people with Pulmonary Fibrosis (PF). Her research seeks to identify new trends and solutions beyond oxygen therapy, and to understand lung function trajectories in Interstitial Lung Disease (ILD).

Today, Professor Khor's research findings have been cited in ILD guidelines and are starting to translate into clinical practice.

Professor Khor is grateful to the Hope Research Fund for supporting her early research and playing an important role in helping her secure further grant opportunities. "There's definitely a gap in respiratory specialist research grants, especially for early career researchers. The Hope Research Fund addresses this gap by supporting early ideas and offering a range of grant opportunities."

"The Hope Research Fund has not only helped progress my research, but also the research of one of my PHD students. It helps early researchers produce better quality work and build their confidence in securing bigger grants."



*Any support for this fund is meaningful, regardless of how much you're donating. Change is made through collective forces, never by a single person. So whether it's your time, money, or blood for research, it's all meaningful, not just to researchers but ultimately to present and future patients.*

# Our team and culture

Our organisation is built on the strong foundations set by our team and culture. At the heart of every Lung Foundation Australia employee is a steadfast dedication and passion for improving the lives of those affected by lung disease and lung cancer.

## Our team and culture



**65** employees  
**22** Specialist Lung Cancer or Respiratory Nurses in the field



**87%** achievement in employee engagement



**100%** of our staff feel a sense of pride working at Lung Foundation Australia



**98%** of our staff would recommend Lung Foundation Australia as a great place to work



**95%** of our staff believe in our values



Recognised with Xref Engage's **Best Workplace Award** for 2024





## Reconciliation Action Plan

Lung Foundation Australia's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Reflect is a formal commitment by our Board, team, volunteers and community to Reconciliation Australia. Our allegiance is to address the substantial gap in lung health experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Building on our three years of the Protect Your Mob Immunisation Campaign, this year Lung Foundation Australia and Na Joomelah were proud to co-design a pilot project to address the rising vaping rates among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth. Already, this project has shown promising results, with up to 30% of participants retaining knowledge of vaping impacts three months later.

The culturally tailored resource includes factsheets and videos designed to enhance awareness and empower First Nations youth to make informed decisions. The project highlights the need for culturally sensitive education and comprehensive policies in order to combat vaping and protect young people's health.



*It was great to build a genuine relationship with Lung Foundation Australia to create such an impactful resource for our young people.*

*We already know this resource is well received and circulated around our local schools and youth groups.*

**– Na Joomelah Program Manager  
Danny Allende**

View our Reflect  
RAP in full here.



# Board and governance

The Lung Foundation Australia Board consists of 10 directors who volunteer their expertise and time to help improve lung health and reduce the impact of lung disease for all Australians.

## Board of Directors

**Professor Lucy Morgan:** Chair  
Board Member since September 2019

**Mr Andrew Churchill:** Deputy Chair  
Board Member since March 2010

**Professor Christine Jenkins AM**  
Board Member since September 2012

**Professor Martin Phillips**  
Board Member since September 2012

**Dr David Michail**  
Board Member since March 2013

**Professor Sarath Ranganathan**  
Board Member since April 2014

**Ms Angela Ratcliffe AICD**  
Board Member since December 2018

**Professor Paul Reynolds**  
Board Member since September 2019

**Ms Melissa Le Mesurier**  
Board Member since September 2019

**Mr Robert Estcourt AM**  
Board Member since April 2023

**Ms Kathleen Cummings**  
Retired December 2023

[View more  
about our Board  
Members here.](#)



## Executive Team

**Mark Brooke**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Kim Monico**  
Chief Financial Officer

**Christa Bayer**  
General Manager, Development

**Harry Patsamanis**  
General Manager, Consumer Programs and Partnerships

**Kelcie Herrmann**  
General Manager, Clinical Programs, Research and Innovation

**Paige Preston**  
General Manager, Advocacy and Prevention

## Senior Leadership Team

**Danielle Aami**  
Senior Manager, Digital Transformation

**Anneli Bridgmont**  
Senior Manager, People and Culture

**Tonia Crawford**  
Senior Manager, Information and Support

**Alicia Goodwin and Malathi Kanagasabapathy**  
Senior Program Managers, COPD

**Courtney Johnston**  
Senior Manager, Marketing and Communications

**Nicole Parkinson**  
Chief Nurse and Lung Cancer Program Manager



## In memory

### Lorraine Tyler OAM

A fierce advocate, inspiring leader, and proud champion of equality, Lorraine Tyler, Lung Cancer Consumer Advisory Committee chair, passed away in January 2024. In losing Lorraine, Australia has lost an extraordinary advocate in the fight against lung cancer and the stigma that surrounds it. Nevertheless, her advocacy work lives on and continues to inspire us, a testament to her strength and charisma that touched the hearts of everyone she met. Vale Lorraine.

### John Price

John Price, our much valued and loved Rare Lung Disease Consumer Advisory Committee chair, passed away in June 2024. John leaves a wonderful legacy of being a champion for change, dedicating himself to connecting with and supporting people living with Pulmonary Fibrosis. Warm and engaging, John had a passion for life and a positive outlook even at the most difficult of times. His absence will be felt by many. Vale John.

### Ian Venamore

Ian Venamore, our long standing and much loved Chronic Respiratory Disease Consumer Committee chair passed away in February 2024. Ian was passionate about supporting people living with COPD to access gold standard care, dedicating much of his retirement to this cause. His long-standing service included Committee Chair and Consumer Representative on the COPD Expert Steering Committee and media spokesperson. Vale Ian.

# Our corporate partners and supporters

## Estates

Elizabeth Ann Hardie  
Nancye and Ken Ibbitson  
Serena Christine Franklin  
Patricia Anne Barker  
Lindsay James Baldy  
Mary Ann Dooley  
David Eaton  
John Gerard Farrell  
Iris Barnes  
Dorothy Cecilia Todd

---

## Major Donors

Bonnie Boezeman  
Barry and Elizabeth Frost  
Kevin Cosgrave  
Brent and Vicki Emmett  
Tony and Gai Wales  
Lynn Yager  
Nathalie Quinlivan  
Denise Montgomery  
Martin Baumber  
Helen and Richard Irving  
Michael Kirkham  
Rabia Manchanda

---

## Grants, Trusts and Foundations

Dimmick Charitable Trust  
Estate Late Henry Angus Sutherland  
Frost Family Endowment  
icare  
Lung Ambition Alliance  
Medical Foundation J&N Klajn  
Newcastle Permanent Charitable Foundation  
Robert Fergusson Family Foundation  
Safer Care Victoria  
The John Christopher Pascoe Memorial Charitable Trust  
The Mabel and Franklyn Barrett Trust  
Woodend Foundation  
Murrumbidgee PHN

---

## Corporate Donors and Community Partners

Finer Power Transmission  
4D Medical  
Fivex  
Medical Development International

## Community Fundraising Partners

Elizabeth Yates  
Rebecca Marsh  
Sarah Latham  
Siobhan Dormer  
Anita McGrath  
Anne Fidler  
Alison Bolton  
Lorraine Tyler  
Antonietta Caruana  
Melanie Alcorn  
Tania Gray  
Patrizia Zandona  
Mandy Gray  
Amanda Muxworthy  
Ross Sottile  
Adriana Ivtingioski  
Melissa Brookes  
June Williams  
Donna Grieve  
Elena Mcavoy  
Belinda Ranse  
Susana Lloyd  
Aboriginal Land Council – La Perouse  
Maus Grant  
Trail to Triumph – Ultra Marathon for Mesothelioma  
Kane, Tahlia, Kiara and Harper Morris  
The Cassy Morris Foundation  
Max, Alby, Oscar and Charlie  
Guildford Association and Steph Radis  
Heather Crossett  
John Arvanitis and Antonios Panayotou  
Fiona Telfer  
Asha Finlayson  
Pardasani family and friends  
Rebecca Martin  
Tim Franklin  
Tour De Gracetown

---

## Government

Australian Department of Health and Aged Care  
Safer Care Victoria – Department of Health Victoria  
SA Health  
Queensland Health



## Major Corporate Partners

4D Medical  
Amgen Australia  
AstraZeneca Australia  
Beigene  
Boehringer Ingelheim  
Bristol-Myers Squibb Australia  
Endeavor Biomedicines  
Chiesi Australia  
GSK Australia  
Insmed  
Johnson and Johnson Innovative Medicines  
Maurice Blackburn  
Medical Developments International  
Merck Sharp & Dohme  
Pfizer Australia  
Roche Australia  
Sanofi Australia  
Trevi Therapeutics

## Research Collaborations, Universities, and Institutions

Austin Hospital  
Alfred Hospital  
Monash University  
University of Sydney  
The University of Queensland  
Flinders University  
Australian National University  
University of Adelaide  
La Trobe University  
The University of Newcastle  
University of Technology Sydney

Royal North Shore Hospital  
University of New South Wales  
University of Melbourne  
University of Western Australia  
Curtin University  
University of Tasmania  
Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research

## Research and Health Partnerships

Australasian Bronchiectasis Consortia  
Asthma Australia  
Better Breathing Foundation  
Cancer Australia  
Cancer Council NSW  
Cancer Council VIC  
Centre of Research Excellence in Pulmonary Fibrosis  
Daffodil Centre  
Heart of Australia  
LAM Australia Research Alliance  
Lung Cancer Clinical Quality Data Platform (LUCAP)  
Menzies Institute for Medical Research  
Primary Ciliary Dyskinesia (PCD) Australia  
Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand

## Strategic Partners and Alliances

We also acknowledge our three major coalitions: the Australian Patient Advocacy Alliance, the Australian Chronic Disease Prevention Alliance and the Lung Health Alliance.



Shine a Light on Lung Cancer, La Pouse

# Financials

I am delighted on behalf of the Board’s Finance, Audit and Risk Management (FARM) Subcommittee and Lung Foundation Australia’s Investment Subcommittee to present Lung Foundation Australia’s financial performance as of 30 June 2024.

Our year end surplus was a deficit of \$395k vs last year’s surplus of \$45k. The year result compared favourably to the approved budget deficit of \$652k. The Board approved a deficit for the year acknowledging the Foundation’s strong balance sheet.

The year result also included \$375k expenditure for year one of Digital Evolution and Information Technology Capabilities Project. The Board recognises considerable risk of our IT capabilities not being fit for future without multiyear investment in this project.

Lung Foundation Australia remains in a strong financial position to continue to achieve our goals and objectives. The Investment Subcommittee continues to advise the Board and ensure the maximum amount is flowing to research activities. The Hope Research Fund for Lung Health invested over \$2m in lung disease and lung cancer research over the financial year.

Pleasingly, Lung Foundation Australia secured several new multiyear grants for core programs including the 1800 Telehealth Program.


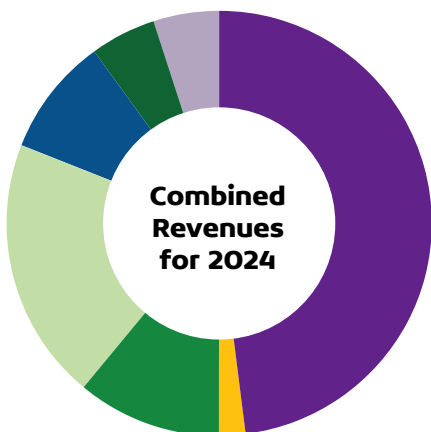
The FARM Subcommittee has carefully monitored our administration and fundraising expenses (11.08% and 9.6% respectively) to ensure funds for programs, services, lung health awareness and research were maximised.

## Andrew Churchill

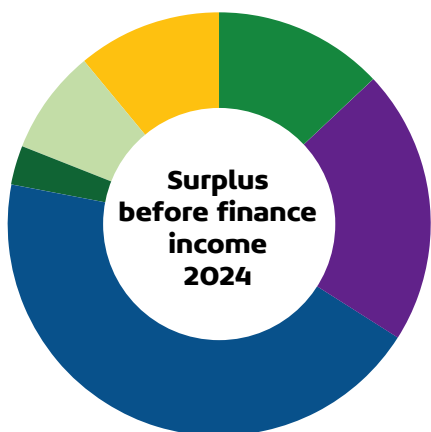
Chair

FARM and Investment Subcommittee

View the 2023/2024 financial statements here.

- Grants - Government
- Grants - other sources
- Sponsorships
- Donations
- Bequests
- Net change in fair value of financial assets classified at fair value through profit or loss
- Other income



- Research expenses
- Programs and services expenses
- Employee Expenses
- Fundraising expenses
- Marketing expenses
- Other expenses

<b>Lung Foundation Australia statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2024</b>	<b>12 months to 30 June 2024</b>	<b>12 months to 30 June 2023</b>
Grants - government	6,206,670	3,477,871
Grants - other sources	318,205	109,052
Sponsorships	1,398,141	1,762,897
Donations	2,598,465	2,466,855
Bequests	1,104,627	1,634,961
Net change in fair value of financial assets classified at fair value through profit or loss	688,444	591,587
Other income	599,188	1,011,141
<b>Total revenue and other income from continuing operations</b>	<b>12,913,740</b>	<b>11,054,364</b>
Research expenses	1,764,186	2,692,313
Programs and services expenses	2,738,937	1,651,113
Employee expenses	5,864,281	4,771,416
Fundraising expenses	356,913	349,476
Marketing expenses	1,083,891	645,840
Other expenses	1,501,166	898,747
<b>Surplus / deficit from continuing operations before finance income</b>	<b>13,309,374</b>	<b>11,008,905</b>
<b>Net surplus / deficit</b>	<b>-395,634</b>	<b>45,459</b>

<b>Lung Foundation Australia statement of financial position As at 30 June 2023</b>	<b>12 months to 30 June 2024</b>	<b>12 months to 30 June 2023</b>
Total assets	13,765,300	11,217,702
Total liabilities	7,973,412	5,030,180
Net Assets	5,791,888	6,187,522
<b>Equity</b>	<b>5,791,888</b>	<b>6,187,522</b>

# How you can support us



## Leave a gift in your Will

A gift in your Will is a gift of hope to future generations. A hope that one day a cure can be found and that Australians living with lung disease and lung cancer will be able to live their best lives. Every gift, no matter what the size, makes a powerful difference to the future of millions of current and future Australians living with devastating lung conditions.



## Give a regular gift

Regular giving is a simple and effective way to help make a real difference to our work in the areas of awareness, education, support and research into lung disease and lung cancer. Your regular monthly donation helps us plan for the future. The security we receive through ongoing funding allows us to reduce administration costs, in turn ensuring that every donated dollar goes even further.



## Philanthropy and partnerships

We are proud to partner with philanthropists, companies, trusts and foundations whose values are aligned with ours. We believe that all partnerships should have impact. We work closely with our corporate and philanthropic partners to make sure that their investments continue to deliver on their objectives.



Lung Foundation Australia,  
Level 4, 12 Cribb Street  
Milton QLD 4064  
PO Box 1949, Milton QLD 4064  
[enquiries@lungfoundation.com.au](mailto:enquiries@lungfoundation.com.au)  
[lungfoundation.com.au](http://lungfoundation.com.au)  
Free call 1800 654 301

