



**PalliativeCare**  
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

# ACT BOARD OUTCOMES

## from meeting of 27 September 2018

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

There has been a heavy focus this month on preparing for the Annual Fundraising Dinner. This will be our 4th event and hopefully the most successful yet. We have been well supported by individuals and businesses in terms of donating cash and prizes and on behalf of the Board and staff at Palliative Care ACT, I express our sincerest thanks for that support.

We currently have over 110 live and silent auction prizes and there are some amazing items to bid for including holiday packages, restaurant vouchers, pamper prizes, fashion items, artwork, jewellery, as well as some fabulous "fun" experiences.

We have had over 500 people buy tickets with only a very limited number of places available for purchase. This is the largest turnout so far. The band is booked, the menu is selected, the champagne is on ice so if you are attending the dinner, come along in your Black and White outfit and make it a night to remember.

### CEO AND STAFF

The CEO and staff have been busy in the community this month with attendance at the ACT Volunteers Expo. This generated five new expressions of interest for the volunteering program. We also held a community day at the Tom Elvin Centre when nine staff from Lend Lease and two of its partner organisations, Wattyl and Program Maintenance, joined us for a working bee at the Centre. We moved some bookshelves and painted the entry foyer and training room. In addition, we had the pleasure of a visit from six residents at Lend Lease's retirement village, The Grove, who helped us sort out the stock remaining from the Bags, Beauty and Bling event in June.

### MARGARET CORDON SCHOLARSHIP 2018-2019

On Saturday 15 September, forty-seven people attended the all-day session on the Implications of Legalised Assisted Dying on Mental Health, the Law and Palliative Care. Feedback is that the forum was excellent as it modelled ethical issues around this very difficult subject. This forum provided a good vehicle to help position PC ACT as an advocate for high quality end of life services.

### FUNDRAISING SUBMISSIONS

Two funding submissions were made this month, the first to the "Stronger Communities Round 4", an initiative of the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure. We are seeking funding for the development of the online volunteer training modules. The second was an application to the Commonwealth Department of Social Services' Volunteer Grants program seeking funding for the massage program.



● **PC ACT INVESTMENTS**

Morgans Financial Services is one of our key strategic partners and as reported in our Outcomes for April, it has contributed \$25,000 this year towards the running of the organisation. In addition, Morgans has provided advice, free of charge, on the best investment strategy for PC ACT. I am pleased to report that the strategy has now been put in place with funds spread across a mix of blue-chip equities and short-term deposits at favourable interest rates.

● **FEEDBACK**

If anyone has queries about any issue raised in these Outcome reports, please direct them to [office@pallcareact.org.au](mailto:office@pallcareact.org.au)

● **NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD**

The next meeting of the Palliative Care ACT Board will be held at 6.00 pm on Monday 22 October 2018.

Louise Mayo  
President

