



**FAIRACTION
INTERNATIONAL**



2024-25 ANNUAL REPORT

A Tap of Clean Water Can Unlock a World of Change



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Executive Summary



Fairaction International exists to make safe, affordable drinking water a reality for people who have been left furthest behind. In 2025 we continued this mission in the face of a global funding squeeze, drawing on our sustainability framework, smart technology and locally led delivery to keep achieving real outcomes in the communities we serve and to strengthen our contribution to **United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 6.1 (SDG 6.1)**, which aims to provide universal access to safe and affordable drinking water for all.

Our work is guided by a rigorous sustainability framework that brings together mapping, IoT data, water quality science and community research to plan, design and operate water systems, and to keep them working so they continue providing safe and affordable drinking water for communities, **helping to improve health, livelihoods, equality and prosperity**. As part of this framework, we use **the Target 6.1 Map** as a transparent tool to identify communities in severe water poverty and to monitor and report on the lifecycle of projects. The framework focuses on clear metrics for access, reliability, affordability and safety so that infrastructure achieves its intended impact and remains functional over the long term.

In 2025 we commissioned two new Smart Water kiosks in Oyo State, Nigeria, extending reliable, treated water to communities that previously depended on unsafe and unreliable sources. One kiosk followed our proven flagship design. The second required a new approach in a very remote community where the initial borehole did not yield enough water. Rather than accept a compromised solution, we paused, reassessed conditions and developed a new architectural design specifically for low-yield, hard-to-serve locations. This remote design is now in use and provides a reference model for similar communities in the future. Together with our earlier kiosks, these projects show that smart, community-centred infrastructure can deliver consistent, safe and affordable water where traditional approaches have repeatedly failed.

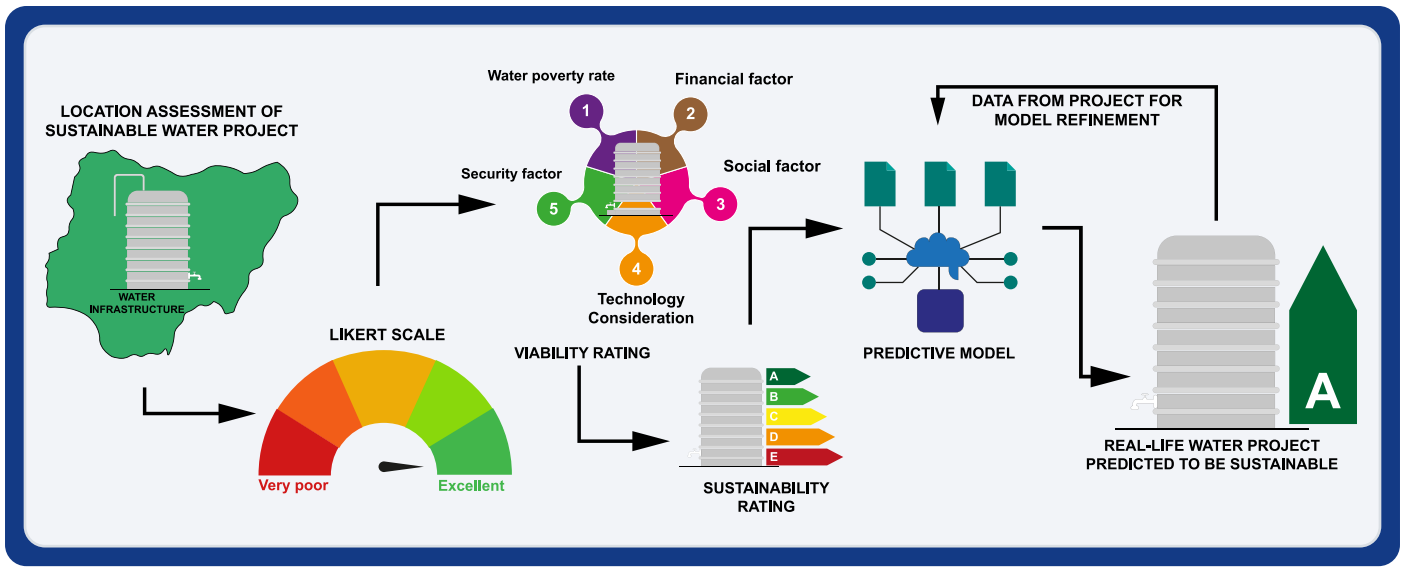
Infrastructure must be matched by informed and engaged communities. In 2025 we supported Fairaction Nigeria to run the Safe Water, Save Lives campaign at the University of Ibadan. The campaign combined a large on-campus event, an essay competition and a social media challenge to raise awareness about water poverty, unsafe sources and sustainable water solutions. Hundreds of students participated and the online content reached a wide audience. The model can now be adapted for other universities and settings as a cost-effective way to build understanding and local leadership for SDG 6.1.



Smart Water Infrastructure Designed for an Extremely Remote Community

Research and development is the engine of Fairaction’s work, and in 2025 it helped us move closer to our goal of reliable, safe and equitable water for every community we serve. Our studies showed that smart kiosks monitored with IoT data can deliver highly reliable water while also revealing hidden risks such as low use and overlapping aid. We also learned how distance, pricing and community perceptions of water quality shape whether families choose safer sources, even when they are available. At the same time, we created 255 water quality simulation scenarios to support proxy testing and to monitor and identify high-risk situations in remote areas where laboratory testing is limited. This work strengthens our sustainability framework, guides field decisions in Nigeria and will be adapted for Indigenous and remote communities in Australia.

In a difficult global funding year, Fairaction’s model remained resilient. We generated just over **AUD 1.13 million**, mostly from research service contracts, and chose to invest around **AUD 1.55 million** in programmes, campaigns and research so we could protect impact and keep innovating. With a small team supported by trusted contractors, volunteers and research partners across Nigeria and Australia, we continued to turn limited resources into practical solutions for water-poor communities.



Innovative approach to project delivery

Our Predictive Iterative Sustainability Model (PISM) supports pre construction planning, while the Target 6.1 algorithmic software provides real time data to monitor performance and continuously improve PISM.

Our growing influence was reflected in our continued status as an interim member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID), demonstrating Fairaction’s commitment to strong governance, transparency and accountability and positioning us to work towards full membership. During the year we also began working to expand our board to include **Associate Professor Sarah Kinkel from the University of Technology Sydney**, whose expertise in research leadership and interdisciplinary science is expected to further strengthen our work and partnerships.

Looking ahead, we will scale our new remote community design, refine our water quality monitoring technologies for use in Australia and Nigeria, and expand campaigns like Safe Water, Save Lives. We also aim to intensify our fundraising to attract donors who care about sustainable, measurable impact and the way our approach can help address extreme water poverty affecting millions of people globally. Through this work we aim to offer a proven, adaptable model for achieving SDG 6.1 while **helping reduce poverty, improve health, advance gender equality, keep children in school and build stronger, more resilient communities**.



Message from the Chair

“It gives me great pleasure to present the Chairman’s Report for Fairaction International for the financial year ended 30 June 2025.

This year has been a period of reflection, resilience and renewed purpose for our organisation. As we continue to grow our presence as a trusted partner in sustainable development and social impact, our focus has remained firmly on strong governance, transparent leadership and meaningful outcomes for the communities we serve.

Purpose and Impact

Fairaction International exists to create tangible, lasting change for communities without access to safe water, sanitation and basic infrastructure. Our programs align directly with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 6.1 – Clean Water for All, and our mission remains clear: to empower communities through partnership, innovation and accountability.

Over the past year, we have deepened our collaborations with local NGOs, government agencies and private-sector partners to advance projects that provide clean, sustainable water solutions in underserved regions. These initiatives not only deliver immediate health and economic benefits but also strengthen local capacity to maintain and govern essential services.

Fairaction’s impact model continues to emphasise long-term stewardship over short-term aid. By embedding governance training and transparent community-led structures into each project, we ensure that outcomes remain sustainable and communities retain ownership of their future.



Governance and Accountability

This financial year, the Board has continued to strengthen Fairaction International’s governance framework to ensure that every dollar, partnership and decision reflects our core values of integrity, stewardship and transparency.

Key achievements included:

- ✔ Establishing clearer governance protocols across our project evaluation and partner-selection processes.
- ✔ Refining our reporting framework to provide donors and stakeholders with improved visibility over project outcomes and financial accountability.
- ✔ Expanding the Board’s governance capability with new members bringing expertise in impact finance, international development and community engagement.

In doing so, we have reinforced our commitment to operating with the same standards of governance and assurance expected of larger, international NGOs – while retaining the agility and responsiveness that define Fairaction’s unique approach.

Strategic Development

In 2024–25 we commenced the design of a Philanthropic Engagement and Partnership Strategy, which aims to broaden our funding base through collaboration with purpose-driven corporations, philanthropic foundations and individual donors. This approach ensures the continued independence and scalability of our work.

Fairaction’s model of shared value through shared governance has proven to be a compelling proposition for partners seeking authentic and measurable impact. By aligning philanthropic intent with transparent delivery, we are building a foundation for greater regional presence and policy influence in the years ahead.

“Fairaction International entering new phase of maturity built on collaboration, data-driven insight and steadfast belief that every person deserves equitable access to life’s most fundamental resource: clean water.

Looking Ahead

- The year ahead will be one of growth and consolidation. Our priorities include:
- Finalising governance reforms that strengthen compliance and ethical assurance.
 - Launching our Philanthropic Engagement and Partnership Strategy.
 - Expanding regional partnerships across Australia and the Pacific.
 - Publishing Fairaction’s first Impact and Transparency Framework, articulating how we measure and communicate community outcomes.

Fairaction International is entering a new phase of maturity — one built on collaboration, data-driven insight and a steadfast belief that every person deserves equitable access to life’s most fundamental resource: clean water.

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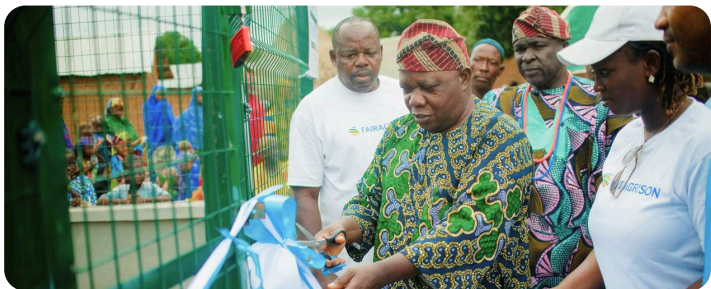
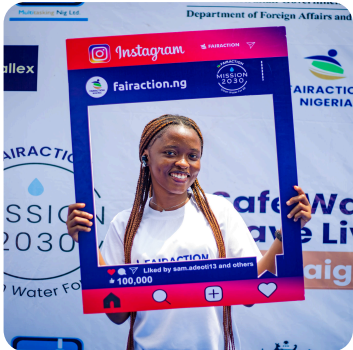
I wish to extend my sincere thanks to our Board of Directors, whose collective wisdom and unwavering dedication continue to shape our organisation’s governance strength. My gratitude also goes to our operational teams, field partners, donors and volunteers, who turn our shared vision into real-world outcomes every day.

To our philanthropic and community partners: thank you for your belief in our mission and for standing beside us as we bring sustainable water access, dignity and opportunity to communities in need.

Together, we are not only delivering water, we are helping communities realise independence, resilience and hope.



Peter Holtmann
Chairman
Fairaction International



Message from the CEO

2025 was a testing year for the global aid and international development sector, but it was also a year in which Fairaction International strengthened its position as a research led, solutions focused charity. Despite constrained funding, we maintained our core operations, advanced our mission of clean water for all in water poor communities and continued to refine a sustainability framework that is increasingly recognised as a practical pathway for achieving Sustainable Development Goal 6.1, which focuses on clean and affordable drinking water for all. Our work this year confirmed that a research-led, data-informed and community-centred approach can deliver high-value impact and globally relevant learning, even in a challenging funding environment.

Through our pilots, we continued to demonstrate that carefully designed, smart water infrastructure can provide safe and affordable drinking water that improves health, supports education, reduces the burden on women and girls and strengthens community resilience. Our peer reviewed research, including new work on smart water systems, infrastructure underutilisation and water quality monitoring in low resource settings, is making our sustainability framework more robust each year and ensuring that what we learn in one context can be adapted to others. This includes the development of proxy water quality monitoring approaches that we will apply not only in our current pilot locations, but also in remote communities in Australia that face similar challenges.



Samuel Adeoti
Chief Executive Officer
Fairaction International

In 2025 we also deepened our engagement with the global community working to advance the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. During the reporting period we continued to build relationships and contribute to **SDG 6.1** discussions through our research, partnerships and sector networks. Our continued status as an interim member of the Australian Council for International Development kept Fairaction connected to more than 130 highly esteemed Australian organisations in the international development sector, all striving for a more just and fairer world, and positioned us to work towards full membership. During the reporting period we also prepared to participate in key sector events, including the United Nations Association of Australia NSW Division’s “UN at 80” forum and ACFID’s Annual General Meeting planned for November, to further reinforce our commitment to human rights, basic needs and SDG 6.1.

I am grateful to our board, the Fairaction International and Fairaction Nigeria teams and affiliates, our staff member, contractors, volunteers, research partners and institutions such as the University of Technology Sydney, and to the Australian Government, including the Department of Industry, Science and Resources and the Department of Education, as well as all our supporters, for their dedication and trust. Together we are building and testing solutions that not only serve the communities we work with today, but also contribute to a stronger, evidence-based global approach to ending water poverty.



About Fairaction International

Company Overview

Fairaction International Pty Ltd is a registered Australian charity committed to addressing the global water crisis through sustainable and innovative solutions. As a Public Benevolent Institution and Deductible Gift Recipient, we are recognised for our focus on relieving water poverty and improving the lives of people who have been left furthest behind.

Vision

Fairaction International envisions a world where everyone has access to clean, safe and affordable drinking water, aligning with Target 6.1 of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. By securing universal access to essential water resources, we aim to contribute to major gains in human wellbeing, economic opportunity and environmental sustainability.



UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Key Details

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| Name | Fairaction International Pty Ltd |
| ABN | 47 615 498 381 |
| Registration | Registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not for profits Commission (ACNC) |
| Endorsements | Public Benevolent Institution, Deductible Gift Recipient, GST concession, income tax exemption and FBT exemption |
| Location | New South Wales 2000, Australia |
| Active Since | 26 October 2016 |

Map of Australia showing state boundaries: WESTERN AUSTRALIA, NORTHERN AUSTRALIA, QUEENSLAND, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, NEW SOUTH WALES, VICTORIA, and TASMANIA. A location pin is placed in New South Wales.

Logos for Registered Charity (acnc.gov.au/charityregister), ACFID MEMBER, and a globe icon.

Mission

Our mission is to provide access to safe and affordable drinking water for everyone, everywhere, starting with communities most in need. We do this by developing sustainable water solutions that deliver life-changing impact while remaining scalable, locally viable and resilient over the long term.

Core Values

Fairaction International is guided by a set of core values that shape our decisions, our partnerships and the way we work. These values support a healthy organisation and help ensure that our projects are sustainable, compliant and impactful.

By consistently aligning our work with these values, Fairaction International seeks to deliver immediate benefits and sustainable impacts, strengthening communities and contributing to a fairer, more water secure world.



Integrity and Transparency

We maintain high standards of integrity and openness, fostering trust through clear communication and honest reporting.



Accountability and Good Governance

We comply with relevant laws, regulations and codes, and we promote responsible management and ethical conduct at all levels of the organisation.



Research and Innovation

We continually seek and apply innovative solutions to complex water access challenges, adapting our strategies as needs and contexts evolve.



Community Empowerment

We work with communities, not just for them. Local people are involved from planning through to management so that solutions are understood, owned and sustained.



Sustainability

We design and implement solutions that are environmentally responsible, socially appropriate and economically viable, with a clear focus on long term operation.



Collaboration

We actively build partnerships across sectors, including government, academia, business and civil society, to increase our reach and impact.



Respect and Diversity

We respect the diversity of the communities we serve and ensure that our approaches are culturally appropriate and inclusive.



Hope

We aim to inspire hope by demonstrating that change is possible and by creating pathways to a better future through safe water.



Equity

We strive for fairness and justice in all our interventions, prioritising those most affected by water poverty and related inequalities.



Self Determination

We support communities and individuals to direct their own development and to build the skills and confidence needed to manage their own water solutions.

Our Strategic Priorities

As Fairaction International reflects on the progress made in 2025, we remain focused on a clear set of strategic priorities that guide our work toward our vision of clean, safe and affordable drinking water for all. These priorities ensure that our efforts are impactful, evidence based and adaptable across different countries and contexts, while building a model that others can use to help end water poverty globally.

Strategic Development

Our strategic development priority is to build and refine a complete pathway from evidence to lasting access to clean water.

This includes:

- Strengthening our sustainability framework as a practical blueprint for planning, designing and sustaining water systems in water poor communities
- Using pilot projects in Nigeria and other locations to test each part of the model in real world conditions
- Preparing the framework, tools and methods for adaptation to other settings, including remote communities in Australia and similar environments globally
- Investing in the digital and analytical systems, such as the Target 6.1 Map and advanced metrics, that allow us to see where need is greatest and how well solutions are working

Through this priority we are not only improving Fairaction’s own projects, but also developing a scalable approach that can help governments, communities and partners move closer to universal access to safe and affordable drinking water.



Funding and Partnerships

Achieving our vision depends on resilient funding and strong, values aligned partnerships. In 2025 the majority of our income continued to come from research and technical services, complemented by donations and philanthropy.

Our strategic focus is to:

- Grow mission aligned service income that directly advances our sustainability framework and field work
- Broaden and diversify our donor and partner base, including government, universities, philanthropic organisations and private sector supporters
- Position Fairaction as a trusted technical and strategic partner for others working on SDG 6.1 and related goals

This priority ensures that we have the resources and relationships needed to maintain core capability, invest in innovation and scale impact over time.

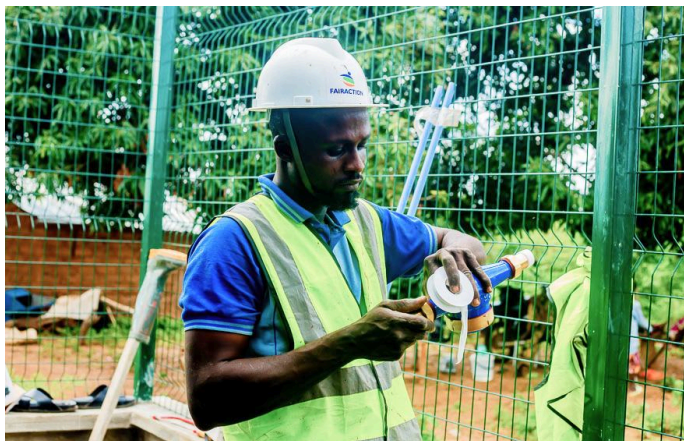
Research and Innovation

Research and innovation are central to how we pursue clean water for all. Our strategic priority in this area is to direct our R&D to the questions that matter most for safe, affordable and reliable drinking water.

In 2025 this included:

- Advancing peer reviewed research on smart water systems, infrastructure underutilisation and user behaviour
- Developing water quality simulations and proxy monitoring technologies for remote communities where laboratory testing is limited
- Expanding the metrics we track, including groundwater levels, rainfall, non revenue water, sustainability and reliability ratings, and water credit, so that we can understand performance in the context of climate variability and community need
- Embedding an iterative research cycle so that each project contributes data that strengthens our framework and informs future decisions

Through this priority we aim to remain at the forefront of innovation in sustainable water solutions and to provide evidence that can guide practice well beyond our own projects.



Project and Program Delivery

High quality implementation is essential for translating our strategy into better lives. Our project and program priority covers the full lifecycle from design to long term operation and focuses on:

- Applying our sustainability framework and eligibility criteria to select communities, so new projects are placed where they can succeed and be well used
- Designing and delivering context specific Smart Water Kiosks and related solutions that are technically sound, financially viable and socially accepted
- Embedding **education, advocacy and behaviour change** into every project, so communities understand water safety, value sustainable services and are equipped to protect them
- Working in ways that contribute to other Sustainable Development Goals that are explicitly and implicitly linked to water, including no poverty, zero hunger, good health and wellbeing, quality education, gender equality, reduced inequalities and climate resilient communities

Through this priority we aim not only to provide safe and affordable drinking water, but also to reduce poverty, improve health, support children to stay in school, lessen the burden on women and girls, strengthen community resilience and help create a more just and fairer world where everyone can prosper. This is our Fair Action.

Governance, Policy and Compliance

Strong governance, policy and compliance are the foundation for scaling our model and for working with serious partners.

In 2025 we:

- Maintained full compliance with ACNC requirements and other regulatory obligations
- Became a full member of the Australian Council for International Development, joining a community of more than 130 Australian organisations committed to a just and fairer world
- Strengthened our board capability through the appointment of Associate Professor Sarah Kinkel and ongoing policy and risk management work
- Continued to engage with sector and UN related forums to align our work with broader Sustainable Development Goals and to contribute our learning

This priority ensures that Fairaction operates with integrity, meets high standards of governance and is well placed to influence policy, attract partners and grow its impact in pursuit of clean water for all.



Highlights From 2024

Summary of last year's goals and accomplishments

The year 2024 was a pivotal year for **Fairaction International**. We advanced our mission of clean water for all through the expansion of Smart Water Solutions, deeper community engagement, strengthened governance and research, and strategic financial investment. Together, these achievements laid a strong foundation for the innovations and pilots reported in 2025.

Expansion of Smart Water Solutions

Implemented two new solar powered Smart Water Solutions in Isale Oja and Alabata, replacing unhygienic, unprotected wells with treated, reliable water for an estimated 4,500 people. These systems were fully integrated into our sustainability framework and designed as critical pilots to generate real world data for refining our project delivery model.

Increased Safe Water Access and Targeted Water Credit

Across Abeku, Isale Oja and Alabata, **delivered 2,029,800 litres** of clean water, **including 1,483,767 litres** of water credit provided free of charge to the most vulnerable households and 546,033 litres of revenue water to support operating costs. This combination improved health and equity while reinforcing financial sustainability at site level.



Improved Mapping and Prevention of Underutilisation

Strengthened our **mapping of 1,699 communities** and incorporated new eligibility criteria – including community travel willingness, perceptions of water quality and local health data – to target projects where people are both in need and ready to use smart water solutions. This directly addressed the risk of underutilised infrastructure and improved long term impact.

Enhanced Transparency and Construction Reporting

Formalised comprehensive construction reporting for all smart water projects, providing funders with detailed technical, financial and impact documentation and reinforcing Fairaction's reputation for transparency and accountability.



Capacity Building and Localisation through Fairaction Nigeria

Continued to build community skills in operating and maintaining Smart Water Solutions and consolidated the new Fairaction Nigeria office as a locally led hub for community-driven water solutions, local fundraising and project execution across Nigeria.



Research, Metrics and Global Contribution

Advanced research and development with the University of Technology Sydney and other partners, focusing on high failure rates in water projects and holistic sustainability. We refined our sustainability and viability metrics, including a predictive location viability model, and contributed insights that influence international discourse and standards on sustainable water management.

Financial Stewardship and Governance Strengthening

Generated **AUD 967,209** in income, primarily from research services, and strategically invested **AUD 1,064,910** in research, development and project implementation. Over **AUD 830,000** was allocated to sustainable water solutions R and D, narrowing the funding gap and increasing our asset base. We also strengthened governance by becoming an interim member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) and appointing new board members with deep fundraising and governance expertise.

Collectively, **these achievements in 2024** reinforced Fairaction International's role as a research led, solutions focused charity and provided the platform for the new projects, metrics and innovations documented in this 2025 Annual Report.



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Income from Research Services

Invested in R&D Projects

Sustainable Water Solutions R&D

2025 Impact Snapshot

Engagement and Reach

- **1,700+** communities engaged and mapped through fieldwork and registration.
- **1,000,000+** people across Nigeria engaged, shaping solutions that are effective, sustainable and aligned with community needs.
- **6,000,000+** people in Oyo State had access to Fairaction radio and television programmes on water poverty, safe water and sustainable infrastructure, expanding awareness well beyond the communities where we work directly.
- **2** university partners actively collaborating with Fairaction: the University of Technology Sydney for water research and the University of Ibadan in Nigeria for local water education and advocacy.



1,700+ communities mapped through fieldwork



1,000,000+ people engaged with Fairaction



6,000,000+ people reached via radio and television



2 university partners collaborating



Safe Water Systems and Results

- **5** smart Water infrastructure assets in operation in Nigeria, providing treated water close to home for water poor communities.
- **2** new Smart Water infrastructure assets commissioned in 2025, extending access to clean, affordable drinking water.
- **New** architectural kiosk design created and implemented for extremely remote locations that had never previously been reached with safe drinking water.
- **100%** sustainability rating achieved for all infrastructure, meaning each system could meet its operating costs with a combination of local revenue and targeted support.
- **99.72%** reliability rating achieved for all infrastructure, meaning water was available to communities almost all year without service disruption.

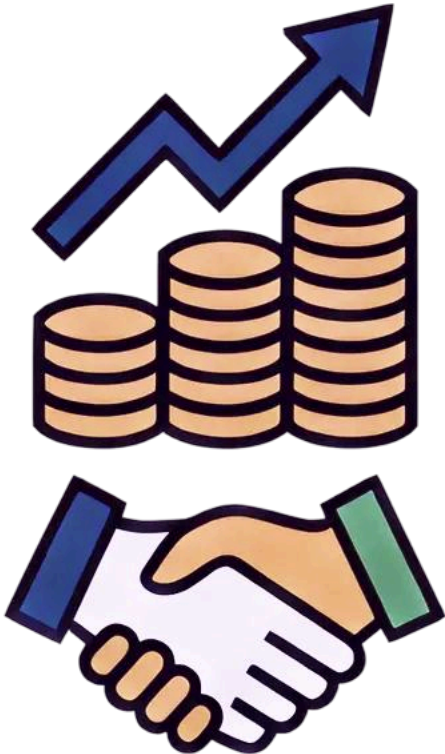
Research Impact and Knowledge Sharing

- **9+** years of research and development underpin Fairaction’s sustainability framework and model, guiding every decision from siting to tariffs and maintenance.
- **17** core performance metrics tracked for every kiosk to keep water safe, affordable and reliable, including Water Usage, Revenue Water, Non Revenue Water, Beneficiaries, Water Credit, Consumption Behaviour, Operations, Maintenance, O and M Expense, Income, Support, Sustainability Rating, Self Sustainability Rating, Rain Amount and Bore Water Depth.
- **3** peer reviewed research articles published in 2025 in International Water Association journals, advancing understanding of smart water infrastructure performance, underutilisation and water safety in low resource settings.



FINANCIAL METRICS

AUD 1.13 MILLION RAISED



Finance, Partnerships and Governance

- **AUD 1.13 million** raised through research services, grants and donations to support programmes, campaigns and research.
- **43** grant and funding opportunities pursued by Fairaction Nigeria, boosting future resources for sustainable water projects.
- **59** stakeholders engaged across key sectors, strengthening our locally led model and its potential for replication in similar socio economic contexts.
- **3** consecutive years of independently audited financial statements completed, demonstrating strong financial stewardship, transparency and compliance.
- Continued to meet our compliance and reporting obligations to the ACNC, and maintained our status as an ACFID Interim Member.

2025 Impact And Progress

Summary of this year’s goals and accomplishments

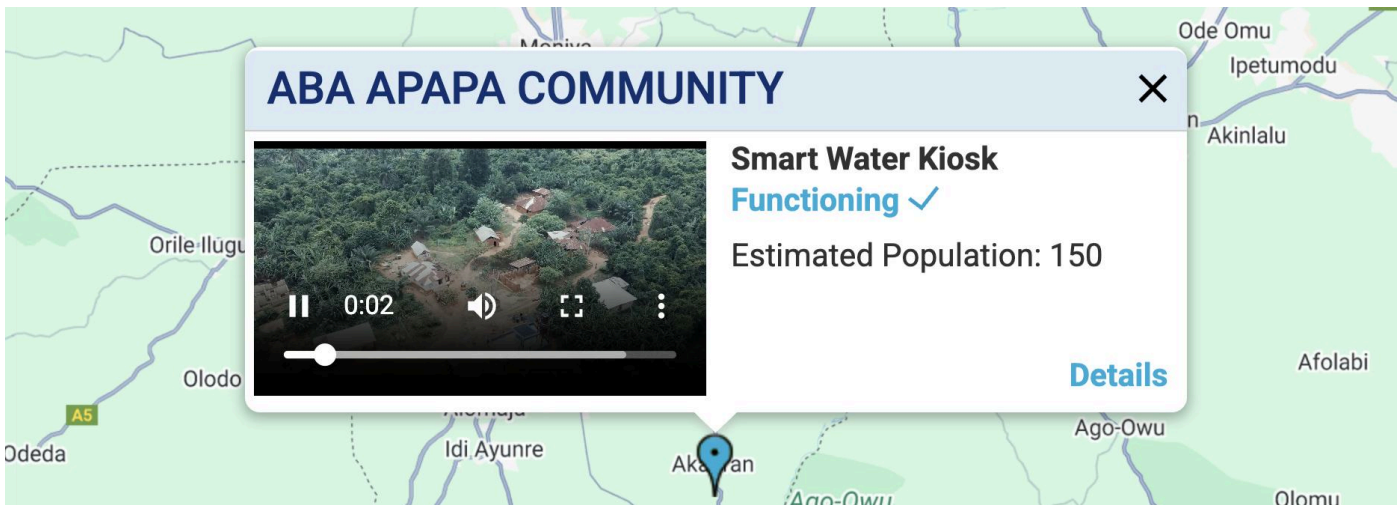
The year 2025 was a year of consolidation and innovation for **Fairaction International**. We advanced our mission of clean, safe and affordable drinking water for all by commissioning new Smart Water Kiosks in West Africa, strengthening our measurement and climate resilience systems, deepening our research programme and growing the role of our subsidiary, Fairaction Nigeria, and building a model that can support future subsidiaries across Africa. These achievements continue to position Fairaction as a research led, solutions focused charity within the global aid and international development sector.

Smart Water Infrastructure and Remote Community Design

- Commissioned two new solar powered, IoT monitored Smart Water Kiosks in water poor communities in West Africa, starting in Oyo State, Nigeria, extending access to treated water where previous sources were unsafe or unreliable.
- Applied our flagship kiosk design in one community and developed a new remote community reference design in another, after the initial borehole produced insufficient yield, demonstrating our capacity to adapt system architecture to complex, hard to reach locations that had never previously been reached with safe drinking water.
- Embedded community registration, kiosk attendant training, local maintenance teams and smart monitoring in both projects so that infrastructure is locally led and continuously supported and each kiosk becomes a live pilot within our sustainability framework.

All our projects, including their sustainability and functionality metrics, can be viewed at:

<https://target6.lmap.management/>



Expanded Metrics and Climate Resilience Monitoring

- Formalised and expanded a suite of more than 14 key metrics to track each kiosk and project, ensuring that our solutions remain sustainable, equitable and resilient.
- Metrics now include:
 - ➔ Service and financial metrics: Water Usage, Revenue Water, Non Revenue Water, Operations, Maintenance, O and M Expense, Income and Support.
 - ➔ Equity and behaviour metrics: Beneficiaries, Water Credit and Consumption Behaviour.
 - ➔ Sustainability metrics: Sustainability Rating and Self Sustainability Rating, reflecting our IWA research on long term performance.
 - ➔ Climate and environmental metrics: Rain Amount and Bore Water Depth, the underground water level, to understand how rainfall, seasons and aquifer trends affect utilisation and long term water security.
- Together, these indicators allow us to monitor performance, equity and climate resilience in near real time and to adjust tariffs, support and operations so that projects remain impactful over the life of the infrastructure and can withstand changing environmental conditions.

Research and Peer Reviewed Contributions

- In 2025 we strengthened our research programme with three peer reviewed articles in International Water Association journals. These studies evaluated the effectiveness of smart water infrastructure using 1,095 days of kiosk data, articulated the Water Infrastructure Underutilisation Principle and advanced methods for assessing water safety and sustainability in low resource settings. Together they provide independent evidence that our model can deliver reliable, affordable services and help us target projects where they will be well used and sustained.
- Our smart water evaluation will be presented at the IWA Water and Development Congress and Exhibition 2025 in Bangkok by Professor Saravanamuthu Vigneswaran. This highlights the global relevance of our work and shares the lessons from our West African pilots with practitioners, researchers and policy makers working on Sustainable Development Goal 6.1.
- Across this body of work we continued to refine an integrated methodological approach that combines a transdisciplinary framework, an iterative research cycle and linked empirical studies across multiple scales. This configuration allows sustainability to be assessed consistently across the infrastructure life cycle and provides a structured basis for adapting our model to other socio economic contexts similar to those in which we currently operate.
- We continued to share our findings through peer reviewed publications and practitioner articles, reinforcing Fairaction's role as a research led, solutions focused charity that provides practical tools and evidence for achieving clean and affordable drinking water for all.

PhD support

Developing a Transdisciplinary Framework for Sustainable Water Infrastructure Solutions in Nigeria

We are conducting PhD-level research to further develop and empirically validate a transdisciplinary sustainability framework for water infrastructure in Nigeria. The framework is designed to strengthen planning processes, enable adaptive monitoring and support long-term performance under complex socio-technical and environmental conditions.

SUPERVISORS



Distinguished **Professor Saravanamuthu Vigneswaran**, University of Technology Sydney



Professor Jaya Kandasamy, University of Technology Sydney

Education, Advocacy and Youth Engagement

- Supported our subsidiary Fairaction Nigeria to deliver ongoing community education, committee retraining and kiosk attendant support, reinforcing local governance of kiosks, hygiene practices and user understanding of tariffs and water safety in West African communities.
- Built on the Safe Water, Save Lives style campaign model developed with university partners, using campus activities, essay competitions and social media engagement to raise awareness of water poverty, the importance of safe water and the role of sustainable infrastructure.
- Expanded community engagement through our mapping, registration and outreach work, reaching more than **1,700 communities** and listening to the experiences of over **1,000,000 people** about their water challenges and priorities. Feedback from these communities is used to refine our eligibility criteria, siting decisions, tariff design and support model so that our solutions better reflect the realities of the people we serve.
- Continued to engage local leaders, including traditional rulers, local government representatives and community based organisations, to support communities to protect infrastructure, encourage the use of safe water sources and champion behaviour change that sustains the benefits of our projects.
- Used education and advocacy activities to support broader Sustainable Development Goals linked to water, including poverty reduction, improved health, gender equality, quality education and climate resilient communities, by reducing time spent collecting water, supporting children to remain in school and sharing information that helps families make safer water choices.



Growing Our Subsidiary, Fairaction Nigeria, and the African Subsidiary Model

- Our subsidiary Fairaction Nigeria expanded its fundraising and partnership efforts, pursuing 43 grant opportunities and engaging 59 stakeholders across government, academia, civil society and the private sector, building the financial and relational base needed for long term, community centred water solutions in West Africa.
- Fairaction Nigeria progressed formal partnerships such as a Memorandum of Understanding with the University of Ibadan and continued to build relationships that support community education, research and project implementation, linking local knowledge with Fairaction International's sustainability framework and research capability.
- In 2025 Fairaction Nigeria strengthened its systems, governance, fundraising processes and partnership approach so that our locally led subsidiary model can be replicated in other regions with socio economic conditions similar to those in Nigeria. The way Fairaction Nigeria now operates, combining community engagement, technical delivery, research and fundraising within a locally registered entity, is becoming the template for how Fairaction can support the establishment of future subsidiaries across Africa.



Accountability, Partnerships and Sector Engagement in 2025

➔ Regulatory compliance and ACNC reporting

- Submitted the 2025 Annual Information Statement and financial report to the Australian Charities and Not for profits Commission and continued to meet all regulatory and financial obligations as a registered charity and Public Benevolent Institution.

➔ Financial stewardship and audited accounts

- Completed a third consecutive year of independently audited financial statements, demonstrating strong financial stewardship and transparency. Findings from audits and board oversight continue to inform improvements to our financial model, systems and policies so that resources are managed responsibly in support of our mission of clean water for all.

➔ Finance, partnerships and governance

- **Raised AUD 1.13 million** through research services, grants and donations to support programmes, campaigns and research.
- Pursued **43 grant** and funding opportunities and **engaged 59 stakeholders** across key sectors, strengthening our locally led model and its potential for replication in similar socio economic contexts.
- Maintained our interim membership status with the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID), demonstrating Fairaction's commitment to strong governance, accountability and alignment with sector best practice, and continued strengthening our systems in line with full membership requirements.

➔ Global engagement and Sustainable Development Goals

- Deepened our engagement with the international community working to advance the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals by strengthening relationships with UN-related and sector bodies and engaging in SDG 6.1 discussions through our research and networks. During the reporting period we also made arrangements to participate in key UN-related and sector events, including the United Nations Association of Australia NSW Division "UN at 80" event and ACFID's 60th birthday and annual conference planned for later in 2025, to further highlight how our model for sustainable water infrastructure contributes to broader goals such as poverty reduction, health, gender equality, education and climate-resilient communities.

2025 Financials

Fairaction International Financial Report

Financial snapshot for the year ended 30 June 2025

In 2025 Fairaction International generated **AUD 1,133,997** in revenue and invested **AUD 1,551,152** to advance our mission of clean water for all. This meant directing an additional **AUD 417,155** beyond our income to accelerate impact at a time when international development funding is constrained, while continuing to strengthen our sustainability framework and model for long term sustainable water access that helps alleviate poverty and inequality and supports community resilience and prosperity.

| | 2025 (AUD) | 2024 (AUD) |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Revenue | 1,133,997 | 967,209 |
| Expenses | 1,551,152 | 1,595,631 |
| Surplus / (Deficit) | (417,155) | (628,422) |
| Cash balance at year end | 43,668 | 30,910 |

All amounts are in Australian dollars (AUD).

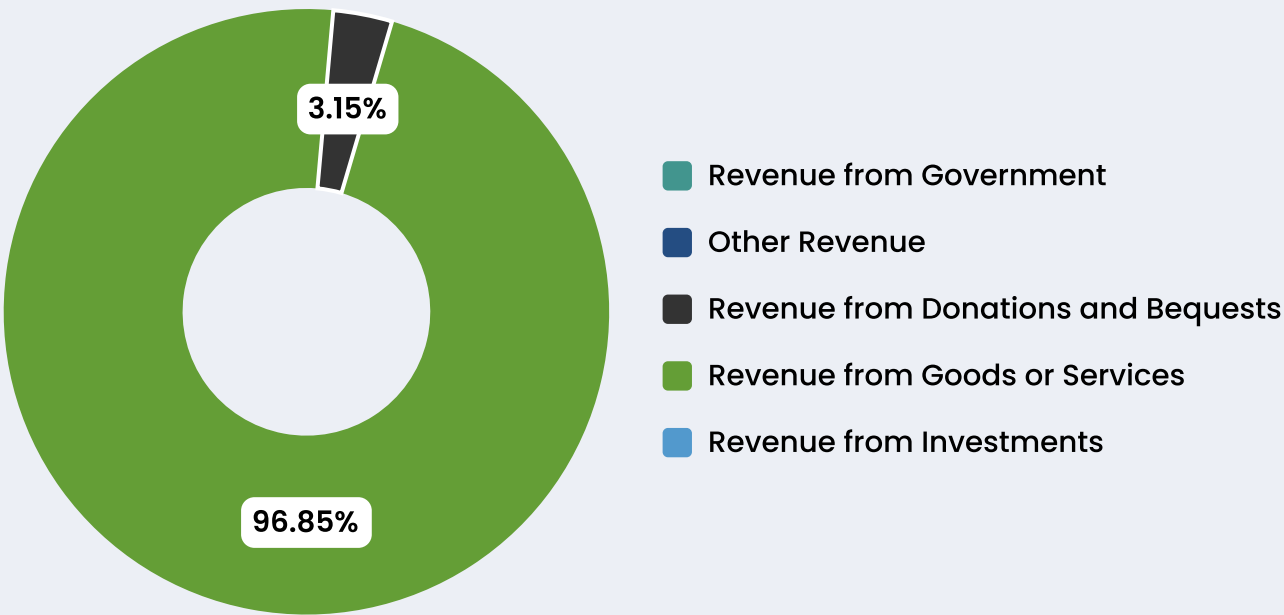
This summary uses figures from Fairaction International’s audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 and does not replace the full audited report or its accompanying notes. The complete audited financial report can be found on our website at:

<https://fairaction.ngo/about/governance>.

Financial information as reported to the ACNC

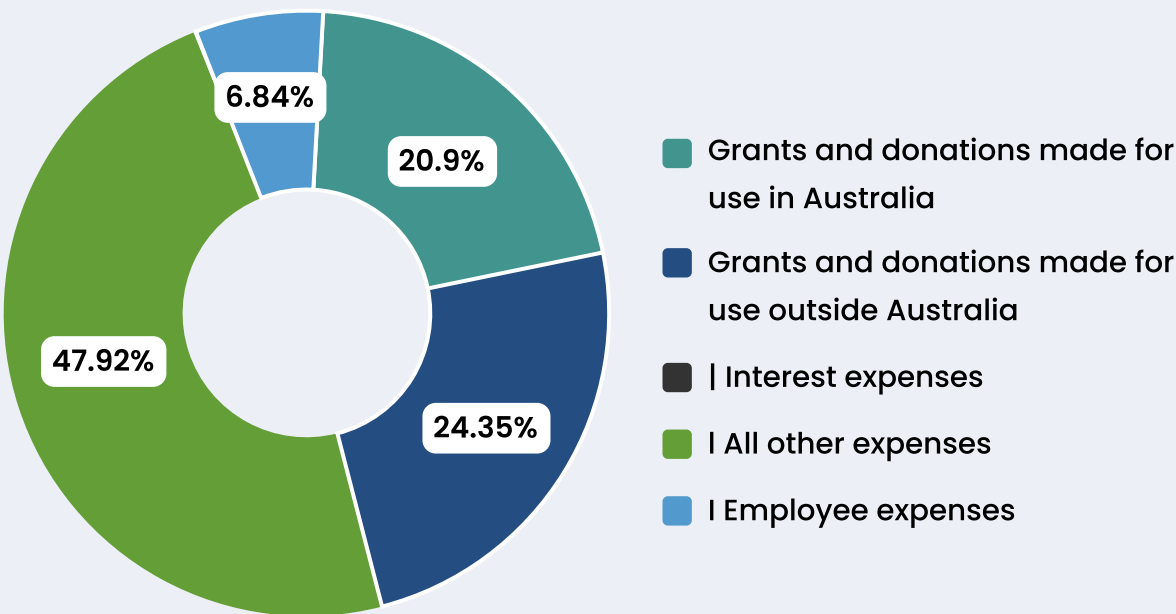
Revenue

Total revenue: \$1,133,997.00



Expenses

Total expenses: \$1,551,152.00



Independent Auditor's Report



**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE DIRECTORS OF FAIRACTION INTERNATIONAL PTY LTD**

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Fairaction International Pty Ltd ("the Company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the director's declaration.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion, the accompanying financial report of Fairaction International Pty Ltd is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

The financial report for the year ended 30 June 2022 was not audited. Since the opening balances as at 1 July 2022 enter into the determination of the financial performance and position for subsequent periods, we were unable to determine whether adjustments might have been for the year ended 30 June 2025. Consequently, we were also unable to determine whether comparative information presented in the financial report is free from material misstatement.

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 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.

Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern

We draw attention to Note 1 in the financial report, which indicates that the Company still maintains a stable going concern outlook, supported by the unique terms of its major liabilities. The flexibility in the terms of the liabilities, especially with the options for forgiveness or indefinite deferment of repayment, is a substantial reason to consider the Company a going concern. As a result, such arrangements effectively reduce the financial risk and provide a buffer that allows the Company to manage its finances more effectively while pursuing its strategic goals. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Company's financial reporting responsibilities under the ACNC Act. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



Responsibilities of the Directors 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 and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the ACNC Act. The Directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the responsible entities determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a 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 ability of the Company 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities 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 material 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 judgement 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 audit 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, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an 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 Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's 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 Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that 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 Association 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 committee 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 our audit.

AMW Audit

AMW AUDIT
Chartered Accountants
Address: Unit 8, 210 Winton Road, Joondalup, Western Australia


MARTIN SHONE
Principal & Registered Company Auditor
Dated at Perth, Western Australia this 16th day of September 2025

Governance, Compliance and Leadership


Fairaction International Pty Ltd is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission. We are endorsed as a Public Benevolent Institution and Deductible Gift Recipient and are committed to high standards of governance, transparency and accountability in all of our work.

Our Board


As at 30 June 2025 the Board comprised:




Peter Holtmann
Chairperson




Samuel Adeoti
CEO



Kristy Watts
Director



Rez Haremi
Director

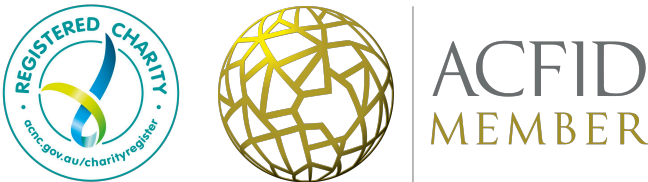


Andrew Markwell
Director

The Board met regularly during the year and received detailed reports on programmes, research, finance, risk, compliance and fundraising. Board members serve in a voluntary capacity and bring expertise in governance, fundraising, international development, research and business.

Compliance and Sector Standards

Fairaction International remains fully registered and compliant with ACNC requirements and relevant Australian legislation and regulations. We are a full member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) and a signatory to the ACFID Code of Conduct, which guides our governance, accountability and ethical practice. We maintain a suite of key policies that govern our work, including safeguarding and PSEAH, child protection, anti-fraud and corruption, whistleblowing, privacy and data protection, conflict of interest and environmental and social responsibility.



Risk Management and Safeguarding

The Board oversees a risk management framework that identifies and monitors strategic, operational, financial and compliance risks. Management regularly reviews risk registers and reports emerging issues to the Board.

Fairaction is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults. All staff, board members, contractors and key partners are required to comply with our safeguarding and child protection policies and to complete appropriate training. Concerns can be raised through clearly communicated complaints and whistleblowing channels and are investigated promptly.

Leadership and Management

Day-to-day management is delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, who is responsible for implementing the Board’s strategy, leading the team, managing partnerships and ensuring that our programmes in West Africa and our global research agenda are delivered in line with our values and policies.

Our subsidiary, Fairaction Nigeria, leads local implementation, fundraising and partnership development in West Africa. Fairaction International provides governance oversight, financial support, research, technical support and systems to ensure that the subsidiary model is strong, locally led and ready to be adapted in other African countries with similar socio-economic conditions.




Our Partners and Supporters.



Strategic Partnerships for Lasting Impact

We partner with globally recognised institutions, governments, academia, and community organisations to maximise our collective impact toward sustainable water access and community resilience.



Key Partners Include




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Looking Ahead

In the coming years Fairaction will build on what has worked in one of the world’s most complex environments to help end water poverty in other regions.

We will focus on:

- ➔ **Scaling our smart water kiosk model** to reach more water poor communities in West Africa, using the new remote community design for hard to reach locations.
- ➔ **Adapting our solution to new contexts**, including supporting improved water safety and access in remote Australian communities that still fall below safe drinking water standards.
- ➔ **Strengthening water quality monitoring and resilience**, by further refining our proxy water quality tools and broader metrics so projects remain safe, affordable and climate resilient.
- ➔ **Consolidating our subsidiary model**, led by Fairaction Nigeria, and preparing to support similar locally led subsidiaries in other African countries with comparable socio economic conditions.
- ➔ **Deepening research and knowledge sharing**, by continuing to publish our findings in peer reviewed journals and sector publications so that our methodology and evidence can help advance SDG 6.1 globally and related goals linked to water access, including poverty alleviation, equality, good health, education and climate action.

Together with our partners and supporters, we aim to share and scale a proven, evidence-based model that delivers clean, safe and affordable drinking water and strengthens community resilience and prosperity.



How You Can Support Fairaction

You can help us bring clean water to more communities and strengthen the evidence base for sustainable water solutions by:

- ➔ **Sponsoring an entire water project or community**, funding the design, construction and operation of a smart water kiosk in a water poor community in West Africa.
- ➔ **Supporting our research and development programme** so we can continue to refine our sustainability framework, water quality monitoring technologies and metrics, and share our findings globally.
- ➔ **Providing financial or in-kind contributions** to help advance our mission and strategic priorities, including community education, mapping and subsidiary development.
- ➔ **Inviting us to share our work** with your organisation, network or event to explore partnership opportunities.

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To every community, partner, donor, researcher and supporter who stood with Fairaction in 2025. Together, we are bringing clean, safe water and new opportunities to water-poor communities.

