Name of Aboriginal Organisation and brief description	Contact details
3KND Aboriginal Radio:  3KND is Melbourne's first Indigenous owned and managed radio station, providing a vital communications service not only to the local Victorian Aboriginal community but also to the wider mainstream community as a whole. 3KND Radio provides information and entertainment for Aboriginal community and relies and values on community input to design and production of grassroots radio programming	Program Manager Gary Hansen. Address: 48-56 Mary St, Preston VIC 3072. Tel: (03) 947 1305.
Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Limited (VACSAL)  This organisation is a Victorian state wide agency that provides advice to Government on a range of community development issues as well as being a major provider of extensive services to the Aboriginal community in both the metropolitan and some regional communities.  Services provided but not limited to include; Bert Williams Koori Youth program and residential support, Aboriginal Best Start program, Gambling Awareness project, Indigenous Men's Support Awareness Program	Phil Cooper  Address 496 High St Northcote 3070.  Tel: 9416 4266.  Email: phil.cooper@vacsal.org.au

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# Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Association (VACCA)

Early Intervention and Family Services:

VACCA offers a range of support services for families and children that promote the child's growth and development focusing on positive parenting and family interaction. The Early Intervention and Family Services (EI&FS) team work with families to promote family wellbeing, participation in the broader community and support increased access to other services.

The range of programs provided by EI&FS is varied. Diversity of our programs provides families with a range of options for culturally responsive support in times of need. These include childhood and parenting programs such as:

Supported play groups, Indigenous Parenting Support Service, Aboriginal Stronger Families, Aboriginal Family Restoration Program, Aboriginal Family Led Decision Making, Family Violence Program, Cradle to Kinder, Integrated Family Services Aboriginal Liaison Worker/Child First and Koorie Youth Leaders in Action Program. Address: 273 High Street, Preston VIC 3072.

Tel: 03 94807300. F: 03 9484 5403.

Email: vacca@vacca.org

Head Office: 139 Nicholson Street, East Brunswick VIC 3057 P.O. Box 494, Northcote Plaza, Northcote VIC 3070.

CEO: Muriel Cadd.

#### **Aborigines Advancement League (AAL):**

A range of services provided include home & community care services, health information, parenting and family management support/education referrals, accommodation placements, funeral services, neighborhood house and referrals to mainstream organisations.

Address: 2 Watt St. Thornbury 3071.

Phone 9480 7777

A/H Mobile: 0417 586 231

Fax Number 9416 9092.

**CEO Esme Bamblett** 

#### Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS):

The Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service Co-operative Limited provides legal advice and representation for the Victorian Aboriginal community. It provides a 24 hour emergency service around criminal law, civil law and family Law matters.

Tel: 03 9418 5999 (toll free 1800 064 865)

273 High Street [PO Box52] Preston VIC 3072 Fax:

9418 5900 email: vals@vals.org.au.

CEO. Wayne Muir.

### Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS):

Located in Preston and Fitzroy VAHS offer dental, medical and community social services related to wellbeing and mental health programs for Aboriginal people. Locum doctor and after hours doctor available. Preston: Clinical unit provides health care assessments, understanding and education to the Aboriginal community - support to patients, advocacy on behalf of patients with doctors and specialists, conducting patient health checks.

Providing outreach and promoting philosophy of VAHS and providing health promotion and education to individuals and groups.

186 Nicholson St Fitzroy Vic. 3065 Tel: 9419 3000 Email: <u>info@vahs.org.au</u>

### **Victorian Aboriginal Education Association**

Inc. The Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Incorporated is the peak Victorian Aboriginal community organisation for education and training in Victorian. VAEAI's mandated philosophy in community is to build success in education and training and provide leadership and excellence in its approach to innovative and inclusive cultural specific educational practices. VAEAI conducts an annual state wide Aboriginal Employment Expo (Job fair) usually held at the Aborigines Advancement league

VAEAI) GM: 144
Westbourne Grove,
Northcote 3070 Australia
Tel: 9481 0800 F: 9481
4072 E:

vaeai@vaeai.org.au

CEO: Lionel Bamblett:

#### Fitzroy Stars Football & Netball Club:

This is a Victorian Aboriginal community based club for young women and men with specific goals to provide connections with Aboriginal community by reinforcing cultural identity through the promotion of sport for well-being and healthy lifestyle choices through cultural connections and achievements within the Melbourne Aboriginal community.

Tel: 03 8673 0901

2 Watt St Thornbury (Aboriginal advancement League)

CEO: Simon Mitten-Connell.

# Wurundjeri Tribes Lands and Compensation Cultural Heritage Council Incorporated:

The Wurundjeri Tribe Land and Compensation Cultural Heritage Council was established in 1985 by descendants of the Wurundjeri people who are the traditional owners of the country around Melbourne.

The Wurundjeri Land Council has a number of different roles:

- -to raise awareness of Wurundjeri culture and history within the wider community.
- -actively managing archaeological sites and sites of cultural significance
- -benefiting the lives of present day Wurundjeri people and families.
- -Welcome to Country ceremonies that can include speaking in language, traditional dancing, gum leaf and smoking rituals.

Darebin has a commitment to the traditional owners to acknowledge cultural protocols and provide advice to the Organisation on cultural matters. Wurundjeri elders provide local historical cultural awareness and ceremonial Welcome to Country and ceremonial smoking events at launches and events for Darebin Council and the wider community. The Wurundjeri Council provides important advice around cultural heritage issues and legislation to specially in relation to Council parks and open space.

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Providence building 1 St Heliers St. Abbottsford Convent.

Tel: 03 8673 0901

stephenf@wurundjeri.com. au

CEO Stephen Fiyalko

#### Minajalku Healing Centre

The Minajalku Healing Centre is located in Thornbury and provide Aboriginal community activities including smoking ceremony, meditation, art therapy, strength and balance, parents groups, men's groups, women's groups, youth programs and Community and carer lunches.

Eva- Jo Edwards

Ph: 8459 3800

Mobile 0434 089 164

Emil:

eva-jo.edwards@vahs.org.au

11 Rossmoyne Street, Thornbury Victoria

### Aboriginal Community Elders Service: The

Aboriginal Community Elders Services Incorporated (ACES) is located in Merri Creek in East Brunswick, Victoria. The ACES is an Aboriginal community controlled organization that strives to be a leading service provider in aged care, and to enhance the quality of life of current and future Aboriginal Elders. Aboriginal values and respect for Elders are the guiding principles.

A range of care services are provided for local Elders, including: Planned activity group, hostel accommodation nursing home and Community care program.

Deirdre King.

5-6 Parkview Avenue, Brunswick East VIC 3057

Tel: 9383 42444

## **SNAICC (Secretariat of National Aboriginal**

**Islander Child Care)** SNAICC has a membership base of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-based child care agencies, Multi-functional Aboriginal Children's Services, crèches, long day care child care services, pre-schools, early childhood education services, early childhood support organizations, family support services, foster care agencies, link up and family reunification services, family group homes, community groups and voluntary associations, and services for young people at risk.

039489 8099

info@snaicc.org.au

#### **Non Aboriginal Organisations**

**WISE Employment**. WISE Employment is a not-for-profit employment services provider. We provide employment services under the Australian Government's Disability Employment Services (DES) and Job Services Australia (JSA) programs. Assist Job seekers to find meaningful work and become self-sufficient. Provide employers with staff from diverse backgrounds.

Employment services are cost-free to eligible job seekers and employers. Support the most disadvantaged in community including people with disability, mental illness, youth, ex-offenders, refugees and Indigenous communities. A supportive working partnership between Darebin City Council exists with WISE Employment through its commitment with support around Employment and Traineeships of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander recruitment.

10 Cramer Street Preston Victoria 3072.

P: 03 8481 3500. F: 03 8481 3511. Email: preston@wiseemployment. com. au.

#### A Plus Apprenticeship & Training Services.

Recruitment, employment and mentoring and training for apprenticeships and traineeships. A Plus structure new apprenticeships to match the skill requirements of industry or business and provide supervised on-the-job training and monitor TAFE (or other provider) training with mentoring and ensure it is ongoing until they achieve their qualification. Darebin council have a partnership With A Plus with recruitment of trainees which resides with Councils Human Resources and department team leaders.

Contact. Contact person: Adrian O'Brien:

Level 1, 192-198 High St Northcote VIC 3070

Ph.: 03 9481 9109 Fax: 03

9482 7593

Email: admin@aplus.org.au

## Reconciliation Australia (Victoria)

Victoria has championed the recognition of Aboriginal Victorians as the first Victorians, and the special place they have in our community. Respect for culture, land and heritage is something all Victorians must develop further. Reconciliation Victoria plays a role in bringing together indigenous and non-indigenous Victorians to recognise and share what we have in common; and to work on a greater understanding of the issues that keep us apart.

Acting State wide Coordinator: Deb Chapman deb.chapman@reconciliatio nvic.org.au

Recognise Project
Facilitator: Emily Chauvel
Byrne.
emily.chauvel@reconciliatio
nvic.org.au

Hub Melbourne, Level 3, 673 Bourke Street, Melbourne VIC 3000. Tel: 03 9016 0657 Fax: 03 9629 7213

#### **Australian Catholic Ministry (ACM)**

The Australian Catholic Ministry (ACM) has a statement of purpose that defines in part its commitment to the importance of culture and spirituality healing as recognised importance of those Aboriginal people affected by past assimilation policies. The ACM's acknowledgment in its statement of purpose acknowledges the rights to self- determination of Aboriginal people for justice, dignity equality, and self-management and to rewrite the historical injustices connected to the past. The connection for Darebin council is through related work with the Darebin interfaith committee and its representation of Aboriginal identity through spiritual and cultural connectedness and awareness.

Contact: Vicki Clark. Email: vicki.clark@cam.org.au

434 St Georges Rd, Thornbury 3071

Tel: 03 9480 3849 Fax: 03 9480 2163

# Victorian Equal opportunity and Human Rights Commission

The Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission is an independent statutory body with responsibilities under three laws:

- Equal Opportunity Act 2010
- Racial and Religious Tolerance Act 2001
- Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006.

Services provided by the Commission include:

- a free telephone Enquiry Line
- a free, fair and timely dispute resolution service
- information and education about equal opportunity, racial and religious vilification and the Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities
- education, training and consultancy services.

In 2014 the Commission, in partnership with Victoria Police and the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service launched Report Racism, Australia's first ever third-party reporting mechanism for the Aboriginal community. Darebin City Council is one of the Reporting Places under this project.

1300 891 848

http://www.humanrightscommission.vic.gov.au/