Municipal Association of Victoria

Preventing Violence Against Women Network Meeting

18 September 2019
MAV Update

- Nominations for the Network Executive
- Gender Equality Bill implementation pilot
- Local Government Bill – MAV submission
- Annual MAV Conference – Amanda Sinclair
- Presenting on WER at LG HR Conference
- VicHealth grants - for LG to promote healthier masculinities
16 Days Campaign

• 77 councils and 5 regional Women’s Health Services have accepted the $1500 funding

• Proposed use of funds:
  – Support social and traditional media
  – Community walks
  – Funding key note speakers for community forums
  – Running bystander training
  – Supplying library booklists
  – Events at community/neighborhood houses and sporting clubs.
16 Days Campaign

• Collateral development: online toolkit
  – Campaign FAQs, poster, email signature block, t-shirt and other design templates, a booklist, logos, digital artwork, a script for on hold messages, templates for media releases and Q&As to respond to community backlash.

• Webpage: www.mav.asn.au/16DaysCampaign

• Evaluation
  – Effective Change engaged
  – 2 pager to be included in online toolkit
  – Survey asking simple questions as well as for stories, photos and media (if available)

• Contact: Kristi High, Project coordinator
  16DaysCampaign@mav.asn.au
GE & PVAW Survey 2018/19

• 64 councils completed the MAV Survey plus 4 completed only the questions related to the MPHWP.

• Answers to MPHWP questions have been provided to DHHS.

• Anticipate having the state-wide report available to councils who completed the survey by the end of the year.

• MAV can provide data before the report is complete.
Initial analysis of family violence leave claimed

Q44 “How many hours of leave were claimed under your council’s family violence provision?”

• 49 councils answered this question with 37 providing a number.

• Of the 37, the average number of hours taken was 96.96 hours, with the highest response being 541 hours.
Initial analysis of family violence leave claimed cont.

- 9 councils provided gender disaggregated data
  - 4 councils advised 100% was accessed by females
  - 2 reported less than 10% accessed by males, 1 reported 20% males, and 2 reported 30% males.
  - Only 1 council provided data about people who prefer to self-describe their gender
- No councils recorded unpaid leave.
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