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Hi all

This week has been jam-packed with a diversity of 16 Days' events and social media. Well done everyone!

International Day of People with Disabilities (IDPWD)

- Yesterday (3 December) was *International Day of People with Disabilities* and we saw some fantastic posts celebrating diversity and elevating the voices of people with disabilities using the hashtag *#idpwd*.
- **Women with Disabilities Victoria** held a fabulous [online event](#) 'Respect, Inclusion and Equality', with an impressive panel and rich discussion about what drives violence against women with disabilities, the actions we can take to prevent violence and what respect means to women with disabilities. The recording will be available in coming weeks.
- In **Whitehorse**, Nadrasca - a member of Whitehorse Collaborative Action Network for Prevention of Violence Against Women (CAN4PVAW) – launched their [video about 'respect'](#) on International Day of People with Disabilities.

Evaluation

Yesterday you should have received an email with the link to the final [council evaluation survey](#) or [NGO evaluation survey](#) which must be completed online **by 5pm Friday 18 December**. We also attached a PDF to help you see the questions in advance (noting the survey must be completed online). Please let me know if you did not receive this email.

Media

Congratulations to the following councils and organisations for achieving media coverage of their 16 Days' activities:

- **Bendigo City Council** promoted their calendar of events in the [Bendigo Advertiser](#)
- **Court Network Victoria** has been active on Twitter, promoting the campaign via [real estate agents](#) and [barbers](#)
- **Hepburn Shire Council** and **Women's Health Grampians** on [WIN News](#)
- **Northern Grampians Shire Council** – a pledge from Councillors in [Mirage News](#)
- **Wangaratta Rural City Council's** coverage of Wangaratta Walk Against Family Violence on [social media](#) and in The Chronicle.

Response to backlash

- In scanning many 16 Days' social media posts, we saw this [excellent response to backlash](#) from Victorian Trades Hall Council

Events and activities

- **Golden Plains Shire Council** is hosting a [free online event](#) with media personality, comedian and author Nelly Thomas on 9 December from 7.30 to 9pm

- **Maribyrnong City Council** and Westside women’s choir, Pitchface, presented a [powerful rendition](#) of ‘Boys Don’t Cry’ by The Cure, as a call to action to free men and boys from outdated stereotypes, and to build a more equal society
- **Women’s Health Grampians** released its [CoRE Call It Out video](#) featuring a range of leaders from the Grampians region, as well as Minister Williams
- **Women’s information and Referral Exchange (WIRE)** is holding its “[Lead for Change workshop](#): The power of grassroots conversations” on 7 December. It was so popular that it has already sold out!

New multilingual resources

At **Casey City Council’s** 16 Day’s launch event on 25 November, **South East Community Links (SECL)** presented the wonderful work of their Co-design Community Advisory Group members who have adapted the original Our Watch “Change the Story” video to be more culturally inclusive and accessible to individuals who speak [Dari](#), [Hazaragi](#), [Hindi](#), [Punjabi](#) and [Tamil](#).

Photos

Ballarat City Council’s footpath stencilling (left) and **Moreland City Council’s** Coburg oval (right)



Bellarine Community Health Youth Workers in their orange hats



Bendigo City Council's Councillors holding up their bin stickers



La Trobe City Council's newly elected Mayor and deputy in the selfie frame



Please keep the photos coming. We will continue to share more of your great work at the end of next week!

Get in touch

If you have any questions, or need guidance with your 16 Days activities, please don't hesitate to get in touch. My email is 16dayscampaign@mav.asn.au and my number is 0437 798 913.

Many thanks
Kate

