

Local Government Guide for Preventing Family Violence and All Forms of Violence Against Women

Workshop to launch the
Guide for all councils

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**Local government guide for
preventing family violence
and all forms of violence
against women**

A practical guide to a whole-of-council
model for addressing the underlying
drivers of violence and promoting
gender equality



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State
Government



Acknowledgement of Country



Acknowledgement of lived and living experience

Your hosts and our objectives for today

SARAH
BELL

FACILITATOR



JESSIE
HORDER-
GERAGHTY

FACILITATION SUPPORT



OBJECTIVES

- Share what the Guide is, the opportunities it presents for your council, and how to access it
- Share lessons and experiences which could help you implement the Guide

Agenda

Welcome and
introduction

Overview of the
Local Government
Program

Panel discussion

Next steps

Overview of the Local Government Program

Alice Dunt, Director of the Office for Prevention
of Family Violence and Reform



The Guide introduces a whole-of-council model for primary prevention



Characteristics of a whole-of-council approach to primary prevention

Shared understanding of purpose and goals

Leadership commitment

Organisational fluency in primary prevention



Councils' domains of influence

Council as a workplace

Council as a service provider

Council as a connector

Councillors as leaders and decision-makers

Focus areas for implementation (examples)



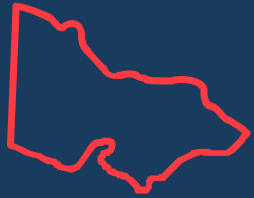
Monitoring, evaluation and dissemination



Critical elements required for successful primary prevention

- a. Internal communication and engagement
- b. Community communication and engagement
- c. Aboriginal self-determination
- d. Applying intersectional practice and inclusion of diverse groups
- e. Inclusion of people with lived experience
- f. Anticipation and response to resistance and backlash
- g. Connection to the response sector and support for victim-survivors
- h. Support from specialists
- i. Internal and external partnerships

Announcing: upcoming second grant round



Seeking councils from different locations and stages who did not receive funding in round one

Up to
\$ 270,000

funding over three years to 2023-26 depending on council category, with a mandatory co-contribution



Applications open on Wednesday 9 August 2023 for eight weeks



See Local Government Victoria and Municipal Association of Victoria's website for more information

Overview of the whole-of-council model and Guide

The Guide was co-designed and piloted by councils

EARLY 2021

- Literature review of evidence about primary prevention
- Initial consultation with subject matter experts – 50+ people engaged across 7 x 1:1 consults, 5 x focus groups

LATE 2021

- Series of co-design model development workshops – approx. 150 participants
- Development of draft model, Guide, evaluation plan and implementation plan

EARLY 2022

- Final feedback, design and development of the Guide

LATE 2022

- Funding of 15 councils to pilot the Guide
- Health checks, planning and initial work by all councils
- Establishment of groups, Teams and others supports

MID-2023

- Launch of the Guide for all councils

The Guide has something for everyone

As leaders of the work, you will become familiar with the Guide and help others find what they need

I AM A

Doer

who wants to understand how primary prevention relates to my role and day-to-day work

I AM A

Leader

in my team or department who wants to plan and embed primary prevention work

I AM A

Specialist

who wants to support teams and individuals on their primary prevention journey

I AM A

Strategist

who wants to get a council-wide view and help my organisation be more strategic about primary prevention

Panel discussion

Bringing the Guide to life

Our panellists

Chair: Kellie Nagle
Municipal Association Victoria

Genine Hook
Mildura Rural City

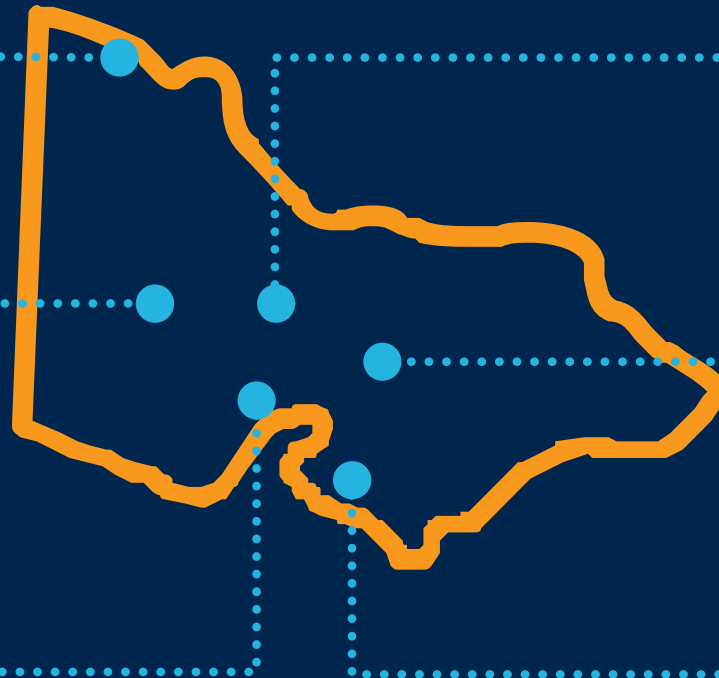
Sandy Bevan
Northern Grampians Shire

Stephen Hiley
Brimbank City

Taylor Nally
Greater Bendigo City

Lee Tomholt
Murrindindi Shire

Rachel Sands
Bass Coast Shire



Closing reflections

Next steps

The recording and Guide will be available on the MAV website

Coming up soon we will have a workshop on working well with senior leaders to implement the Guide

Details of the new grant round will be available on the Local Government Victoria and Municipal Association of Victoria website

Keep an eye out for more news as we continue to develop tools and improve the Guide



Thank you



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