

Appendix 1: Community engagement summary

The development of the VAAF has been guided by the voices of Victorian Aboriginal communities across the state.

Statewide forum

Melbourne 31 January, Richmond Football Club

Open community forums

Mildura 26 March, Mildura Rowing Club

Robinvale 27 March, Murray Valley Aboriginal Co-Operative

Swan Hill 28 March, Ibis Styles Swan Hill

Bendigo 23 April, Lakeview Motor Inn

Ballarat 26 April, Saxon House, Ballarat Football League

Seymour 27 April, Seymour Football Netball Club

Warragul 30 April, Mecure Warragul

Morwell 1 May, Morwell Bowling Club

Sale 2 May, The Wedge – Performing Arts Centre

Lakes Entrance 3 May, Bellevue on the Lakes

Geelong 7 May, Wathaurong Aboriginal Co-operative, St Mary's Library and Research Centre

Warrnambool 8 May, Gunditjamara Aboriginal Co-Operative

Portland 10 May, Dhauwurd-Wurrung Elderly and Community Health Service

Echuca 22 May, Tindarra Resort

Halls Gap 22 May, Halls Gap Recreation Reserve

Horsham 23 May, Horsham College

Shepparton 23 May, La Trobe University

Wodonga 24 May, Cube Wodonga

Open workshops

Melbourne 20 June, Mantra Bell City

Ballarat 21 June, Saxon House, Ballarat Football League

Bendigo 21 June, Bendigo Tennis Association

Shepparton 22 June, Parklake Hotel

Robinvale 25 June, Murray Valley Aboriginal Co-Operative

Morwell 5 July, The Gathering Place

Lake Tyers 6 July, Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust Community Hall

Warrnambool 16 July, Gunditjamara Aboriginal Co-Operative

Portland 17 July, Dhauwurd-Wurrung Elderly and Community Health Service

Written submissions

- Public Health Association of Australia – Victoria Branch
- Victorian Council of Social Services
- Many Mobs Aboriginal Community Group
- Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation
- Mission Australia
- Djirra
- Aboriginal Justice Caucus Working Group on Family Violence
- 23 surveys submitted via engage.vic.gov.au

Presentations

- Aboriginal Executive Council
- Secretaries Leadership Group on Aboriginal Affairs
- Aboriginal Justice Forum and Koori Caucus
- Dhelk Dja Partnership Forum (formerly Indigenous Family Violence Partnership Forum)
- Aboriginal Children's Forum
- Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service
- Improving Care for Aboriginal Patients Program workers

One-on-one meetings

The Department of Premier and Cabinet met with individual community members and organisations upon request.