

## COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

### AUSPICE ORGANISATION

If your group or association is not yet registered we can help you with your funding applications. We will apply for funding on behalf of your group or association.

**Enquiries: 5383 0613**

### MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### BALLARAT REGIONAL MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL INC MEMBERSHIP

Anyone with an interest in multicultural affairs can become a member of BRMC. As the peak body of multicultural affairs in the Central Highlands and Grampians region, BRMC represents many multicultural groups. People from diverse and emerging cultures are welcome to join BRMC as general or individual members.

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## VOLUNTEERING

### BECOME A VOLUNTEER

#### Receptionist/Admin. Assistant

Assist in the reception area, answering phone calls and providing word processing.

#### Friendly Visiting

Making friends especially with older people from diverse cultural backgrounds.

#### Telelink Facilitator

Facilitate telephone conference for groups with same interest or cultural background.

#### Hospitality Assistant

Help in the kitchen every second Wednesday of the month for the Multicultural Lunch.

#### Tutor

You can help our new migrants and refugees as an English Tutor, Homework Club Tutor or as a Computer Tutor.

#### Driver

You can help in our bus trips, in Multicultural Tucker or just helping our migrants learn to drive.

#### Healthy and Active Ageing Facilitator

Co-facilitate information sessions and healthy lifestyle activities to connect your community to aged care health services.

### PUBLIC INTERNET ACCESS PROGRAM

Free internet access at the BRMC reception area.

Open 9:00am to 5:00pm

Tuesday - Thursday



#### Contact Details:

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BRMC Welcome Centre

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## OBJECTIVES

- ◆ To provide opportunities for people of all cultural backgrounds to come together.
- ◆ To provide advisory services, support and advocacy for the particular needs of people of various cultural backgrounds.
- ◆ To advocate on relevant government policy and practice at the local, state and federal level to ensure appropriate service provision.
- ◆ To provide government and other bodies or agencies in the Ballarat Region with an open channel of communication with cultural groups and organisations.
- ◆ To promote greater awareness of multicultural values, contribution and the specific needs of community groups in the region.
- ◆ To advise relevant agencies in the region on the social, legal, cultural, educational health and welfare needs of residents of culturally diverse background with an emphasis on equitable access to services.
- ◆ To develop programs which will encourage ethnic people of all ages within the region to retain their heritage and optimise the benefits of cultural diversity for all Australians.

**We acknowledge AMES Australia for input into CVTP program.**



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## SERVICES

### Multicultural Tucker Lunch

Multicultural Tucker Program is a community lunch activity held on the second Wednesday of each month from February to December. It provides elderly people from diverse cultural backgrounds an opportunity to socialise in their first language. As part of the regular program, music, an informative talk and a three course meal are provided. Cost \$7 donation.

**Enquiries: Helen Lloyd-Potter 5383 0613**

### Hepburn and Moorabool Multicultural Social Support Program

A bi-monthly luncheon, catering for people from diverse cultural backgrounds who are aged or geographically isolated, in the Hepburn and Moorabool Shires.

### Telelink Program

Enables people of diverse cultural backgrounds who are frail, disabled or isolated, to speak with each other once a week on their home telephone.

### Friendly Visiting Program

Provides visitors who can speak the client's language to housebound people.

**Enquiries: Teresa Azzopardi 5383 0613**

### Multicultural Seniors Hub

Join us on a every second Tuesday 2-4pm to a fun afternoon with: Craft Activities, Indoor Sports, Dancing, Singing, Cultural Cooking Demonstrations, Library Outreach and Afternoon Tea with Friends. Bring a plate to share. Cost: Gold Coin

## SERVICES

### Settlement Services

A **free** and **confidential** service for Refugees and Immigrants (**depending** on visa types) who have been living in Australia for less than five years.

### What assistance is available?

Help for clients to become self-reliant and to participate in Australian society as soon as possible after arrival.

Referrals to a range of services include: Education, training, employment, finances. Assistance completing documents; Advocacy; and Integration—helping people to take part in community and social interest groups.

### Diversity Homework Club

For primary and high school aged students Wednesday 4pm to 5.30pm at Ballarat Library, Ground Floor meeting room.

**Enquiries: Deruka Dekuek 5383 0613**

### Migrant English Tutoring & Conversation.

Trained tutors assist migrants with their English language needs. Current services include:

- A casual conversation class with more than one tutor for Clients with different levels of English skill.
- Individual English tutoring (waiting list may apply).

### Conversation Class

Fridays 1.00-4.00pm.

For information regarding help with English or becoming a Volunteer Tutor please contact:

**Enquiries: [mep@brmc.org.au](mailto:mep@brmc.org.au)**