

CONCRETE

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Aborigines Advancement League Inc

The History of the Aborigines Advancement League:

In 1932 William Cooper founded the Australian Aborigines League, the first entirely Aboriginal Organisation, the first Aboriginal Organisation with all Aboriginal members. It led the way for the formation of the Victorian Aborigines Advancement League in 1957 with both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal membership. Stan Davey (non-Aboriginal) was elected as secretary, Gordon Bryant (non-Aboriginal) as the President and Pastor Douglas Nicholls (Aboriginal) was employed as the field officer. The Aborigines Advancement League Incorporated (AALI) is the oldest Aboriginal organisation in Victoria, being widely regarded by many people as the “mother” of all Aboriginal organisations established in Victoria.



ATAR HOUSING SUPPORT PROGRAM

WHAT WE DO:

The ATAR program delivers a range of services including support and advocacy to public and community housing tenants. We support people experiencing housing and homelessness crisis and provide referral and advice to homeless people; disperse brokerage housing funds.

We form close partnerships to achieve positive housing outcomes and advance the rights to affordable housing for all.

The program offers specialist referrals to other agencies to assist clients with:

- Family Violence issues
- Mental Health problems
- Financial management
- Drug and Alcohol issues

People who need housing assistance can come to the office or the Housing support Worker can visit them in their home.

Office hours are between:
Monday-Thursday (9:00am-5:00pm)
Friday (9:00am-4:00pm)

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HOUSING SUPPORT PROGRAM

- **Eligibility**

To be eligible for ATAR services you must be a **Tenant** who is at Risk of Eviction for rental arrears or other tenancy reasons. Once eligibility has been established, an Assessment is completed to determine if the service is needed. A Care plan is then developed and a Monitoring and Review process is implemented.

- **Assessment**

Assessment is a process that identifies the needs and abilities of consumers/clients. The process is an inclusive one involving the consumer/client and the service provider. Personal details are required for this process to ascertain eligibility.

- **Support Plan/Goal Setting**

Planning is a process focused on identifying client's needs, clarifying goals and hopes, setting priorities and identifying steps/actions necessary to achieve these. It is client driven and empowers the client.

- **Monitoring and Reviewing**

Monitoring is the process of reassessing needs and revising the support plan to keep it up to date with the current needs of the client and any accompanying children. The support plan is also regularly reviewed to check on achievement and explore ways of getting over any barriers which have arisen. Support plans are regularly changed to reflect achievements, new priorities or changing goals.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

- Access to safe, appropriate and affordable housing is an essential human right.
- People have the right to participate in the decision making processes that affect them.
- Homelessness is a shared community responsibility.
- Social issues are best addressed through prevention and early responses.

OUR VALUES:

Valuing people and communities

We see people as important members of our broader community, understanding and valuing their individuality, needs and choices.

Access and Equity

We believe services should be planned and Delivered fairly and consistently, in accordance with the rights and diverse needs of people.

Excellence

We aim to achieve the highest standards and deliver the best outcomes for people.

Team Approach

We work together with communities, community organisation and each other to achieve common outcomes.

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CLIENT RIGHTS

- The Right to a Culturally appropriate service.
- The Right to be treated with Courtesy.
- The Right to be assessed to the service without discrimination.
- The Right to be informed and consulted about available services and other relevant matters.
- The Right to be a part of the decisions made about my care/services.

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OTHER PROGRAMS AT AALI

- Funeral service
- HACCC Home Maintenance Program
- Disability Program
- Family Support Program
- Lady Gladys Nicholls Hostel
- Hall Hire

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