

JULY 2022

HEC Action Group Network Newsletter

Hume Empowering Communities



Hume Empowering Communities Update

As of 21 June 2022, the Hume Empowering Communities Action Group has welcomed five new members: Jeremy Hearne (Cobaw and Sunbury Community Health), Hanad Hersi (Youth Activating Youth), Bambi Gordon (Neighbourhood Watch), Peta Fualau (Centre for Multicultural Youth), and Deborah Carrin (DPV Health).

The pre-registration for the Hume Capability Building Workshop Program was launched on 24 May 2022 for community groups and organisations to express their interest in potential workshop topics. A total of 12 community groups and organisations expressed their interest in all the proposed workshop options with the most popular being grant writing, governance, project planning, and evaluation.

The workshops will be delivered throughout September and October this year. Updates on the workshop program will be posted on the Hume Empowering Communities page.

WHAT'S NEW

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Term 3 Timetable](#)

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Project Mentor Training
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Victoria Australia](#)

Update: HEC Funded Projects

Hume Empowering Communities Funded Projects

Igbo Association of Victoria

The Igbo Association of Victoria has run a few sessions of Engaging Social Circles 2022. Since the launch, IAV has received a lot of positive feedback and excitement from young people and families in Hume.

Hume-Whittlesea Local Learning & Employment Network

HWLLEN has appointed a Project Officer for the Imagineering Plus project. The Project Officer has engaged with 40 schools throughout the Hume region with Mount Ridley College in Craigieburn expressing interest in the program for Term 4. The HWLLEN is continuing to engage with more schools in the coming weeks to get additional schools on board.

Headspace Craigieburn

Headspace Craigieburn has booked staff and community training for mentors of young men on Thursday 18 August 2022. The community training has generated a lot of interest and is still taking registrations. Greenvale College has booked the entire Year 7 male cohort to work with the Man Cave in August. There are currently two additional schools interested in The Man Cave Training which may be booked in the coming weeks.

Northern Community Legal Centre

The Northern Community Legal Centre has successfully recruited a Youth Community Development Officer. The YCDW has commenced consultation with a number of schools and local organisations in Hume.

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House

The Teens in the Kitchen program was successfully launched last term and was facilitated in partnership with a cooking facilitator and youth worker. A total of six students have been attending both Sunbury Secondary School and home school this term. There has been noticeable growth observed in participants of the program, including improved social connection and cooking skills. The participants have been cooking a wide range of meals inspired by international cuisines. The Teens in the Kitchen has been received well with lots of positive feedback from parents of participants. More changes are to be observed in participants by the end of the school term once the program finishes.



Next Action Group Meeting

The next Action Group Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 31 August 2022 at 10am** to discuss the next steps for Hume Empowering Communities Round 2.