

Environmental volunteers and landcarers

Resources and information for Victorians caring for nature



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Grants

Coastcare Victoria Community Grants - close 16 February

The Coastcare Victoria Community Grants program supports community organisations to protect and enhance the coastal and near shore marine environment.

Grants of up to \$10,000 per project are available within three streams:

- Stewardship and Education
- Strengthening our Volunteer Groups
- Supporting Traditional Owner Self-Determination

For further information and to apply, please visit [Coastcare Victoria](#).

Strengthening Rural Communities - Rebuilding Regional Communities - close 26 February

These grants give small remote, rural and regional communities across Australia the opportunity to access funds for a broad range of initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities.

For more information and to apply visit frrr.org.au

Training and Webinars

Container Deposit Scheme fundraising, online, 20 February 5.30pm - 6.30pm

Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) is a recycling initiative that can provide environmental organisations with a new way to fundraise.

For every eligible drink container returned, Victorians can receive a 10 cent refund which they can choose to donate to organisations.

Register for this Landcare Victoria Inc webinar via [Humantix](#).

Social Media Training - 22 February 10am - 12pm

In-person at Deans Marsh Community College

Free social media marketing and skills workshop for individuals and groups working in the environmental volunteering space. Hosted by DEECA and Surf Coast Shire.

Please email bdixon@surfcoast.vic.gov.au to register your interest.

Media Engagement for Landcare and Environmental Organisations - online

Tuesday 27 February and 5 March, 5.30pm - 7pm

Hosted by Landcare Victoria Inc, over two sessions, Jacqui Street and Emily Watkins from the Climate Media Centre will be sharing their top tips and experience on why and how to engage with the media.

Register for these webinars via Humantix, [27 February](#) and [5 March](#).

Opportunities

Australian Bug Hunt

Join over 10,000 Australians on the great Australian Bug Hunt.

Using a simple app, it's easy to identify weird and wonderful insects just by snapping a photo with your mobile phone. You can satisfy your curiosity, be entertained, and learn interesting facts about our valuable native species.

For further information visit the [Invasive Species Council](#).

Clean up Australia Day - Sunday 3 March

Get involved and take positive practical action!

On the first Sunday of March, come together to clean up our local parks, waterways and open spaces.

To register your event or find an event to join, visit [Clean Up Australia Day](#).

Awards Reminder

Victorian Landcare Awards - close 1 March

There is less than four weeks to go to get your nomination in for the Victorian Landcare Awards.

There are 14 categories that you can nominate yourself, your group or a fellow environmental volunteer.

For more information visit the [Landcare Awards portal](#).

Have your Say on the Victorian Landcare Facilitator Program

Consultation is now open for the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action's (DEECA) review of the Victorian Landcare Facilitator Program.

The Victorian Landcare Facilitator Program is an important part of supporting Landcare and environmental volunteers around Victoria. To ensure the program continues to deliver effective and efficient support, DEECA wants to hear about what makes the program great, and what can be improved.

To hear more and have your say before 20 March, visit the [Engage Victoria website](#)

Resources - Getting Started on Social Media

Developed for members of the Landcare Networks within the Corangamite CMA region, this guide provides basic information to help you build a presence on social media and engage with a new audience.

For beginners and those that are current users, there are plenty of tricks and tools to support you.

The guide is on our [Resources Hub](#) where you will find all sorts of guides and advice to support people volunteering for nature.

Interactive map - let us know of updates

We have an [interactive map](#) to enable people to find local groups and organisations to get involved with.

Feel free to check out the map and let us know if your group needs to be added or if you have any information to update.

Either email environmental.volunteering@delwp.vic.gov.au or click on the "Add your group" button underneath the map on the website.

Look forward to hearing from you so we can keep the information current.

Want to know more? How to get in touch.....

There's a lot of information on [our website](#), so take a look at some of the great resources, research and reports.

Need assistance or want to share a great story of environmental volunteering in your area? [Send us an email](#).

Resources for the Victorian Landcare Program are available on the [Victorian Landcare Gateway](#). You can find information on the Victorian Landcare Facilitator Program, events, training and more.

If you have a Landcare Program specific question, [send an email](#).



We acknowledge Victorian Traditional Owners and their Elders past and present as the original custodians of Victoria's land and waters and commit to genuinely partnering with them and Victoria's Aboriginal community to progress their aspirations.

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