## Grants and projects funded by the Sustainability Fund in 2023–24

#### **Air Quality Improvement Precincts**

#### **DEECA**

The program objectives are to support Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) through grants to reduce the emission of PM2.5 and PM10, common air polluting particles, in the Inner West and Outer West Air Quality Improvement Precincts (AQIP) identified as two of Victoria's air pollution "hot spots".

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
ReSource Pty Ltd	E-waste recycling dust controls (Derrimut)	Grant assisted with implementation of additional dust control measures at an e-waste recycling facility.	\$10,000.00
Encore Tissue (Aust) Pty Ltd	Manufacturing line dust control (Laverton North)	Grant assisted with installation of contactless sheet cleaning systems to capture dust from production lines before it is emitted.	\$10,000.00
Metal Separation and Trading Company Pty Ltd	E-waste recycling smoke and dust control (Laverton North)	Grant assisted with installation of a scrubber system to reduce dust and smoke before it is emitted at an e-waste recycling facility.	\$17,100.00
		TOTAL	\$37,100.00

## **Asbestos Disposal Management Plan**

#### **Sustainability Victoria**

The objective of this program is to develop and implement an Asbestos Disposal Management Plan (ADMP) to ensure Victoria has the infrastructure and supporting systems to enable safe management and disposal of asbestos waste and to meet future disposal needs.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Greater Shepparton City Council	Pilot asbestos disposal point Shepparton	Develop and operate an asbestos disposal point for a minimum of six months from the time of commission, with the option to then either cease the pilot or continue the service on an ongoing basis.	\$20,000.00
Mount Alexander Shire Council	Pilot Asbestos Disposal Point Castlemaine	Upgrade and operate an asbestos disposal point for a minimum of six months from the time of commission, with the option to then either cease the pilot or continue the service on an ongoing basis.	\$5,000.00
WestVic Waste & Recycling	Pilot asbestos disposal point Warrnambool	Develop and operate an asbestos disposal point for a minimum of six months from the time of commission, with the option to then either cease the pilot or continue the service on an ongoing basis.	\$15,000.00
		TOTAL	\$40,000.00

# **Community Climate Change and Energy Action**

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The key objective of this program is to support local Community groups to invest in their facilities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Anglican Trust Corporation of the Diocese of Gippsland	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Anglican Trust Corporation of the Diocese of Gippsland	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at St Paul's Anglican Cathedral in Sale, Victoria.	\$1,922.00
Australian Vietnamese Women's Association	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Australian Vietnamese Women's Association	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at AVWA Headquarters and Offices in Richmond, Victoria.	\$7,091.00
B. W. Community Centre Ltd	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - B. W. Community Centre Ltd	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at BW Community Centre in Caulfield, Victoria.	\$5,340.00
Beth Weizmann Jewish Community Centre	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Beth Weizmann Community Centre Inc	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at Beth Weizmann Jewish Community Centre in Caulfield, Victoria.	\$10,472.07
Blake Street Hebrew Congregation Inc.	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Blake Street Hebrew Congregation	Funding to install the energy efficiency upgrades (electrification of domestic appliance, rooftop solar PV, solar battery storage) at Blake Street Hebrew Congregation Synagogue in Caulfield South, Victoria.	\$14,867.00
Boroondara City Council	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Boroondara City Council	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar, efficient appliance installation) at Davis Street Kindergarten in Kew, Victoria.	\$6,738.00
Borough of Queenscliffe	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Borough of Queenscliffe	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (battery, lighting, efficient appliance installation) at Queenscliffe Neighbourhood House in Queenscliff, Victoria.	\$5,982.00
Cire Services Inc.	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Cire Services Inc.	Funding to supply and install the approved energy efficiency upgrades (efficient heating/cooling) at Cire Community School Yarra Junction Campus, Victoria.	\$2,590.00
City of Greater Geelong	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - City of Greater Geelong	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at Ocean Grove Tennis club in Ocean Grove, Victoria.	\$1,827.18
City of Monash	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Monash City Council	Funding to install energy efficiency upgrades at WA Scammell Reserve Pavilion in Oakleigh South and Monash Men's Shed in Glen Waverley, Victoria.	\$5,940.82
Coleraine Golf club Inc.	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Coleraine Golf Club Inc.	Funding to install energy efficiency upgrades (rooftop solar PV) at Coleraine Golf Club in Coleraine, Victoria.	\$1,680.00
Geelong West Kindergarten Inc.	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Geelong West Kindergarten Inc.	Funding to install the energy efficiency upgrades (energy-efficient LED lighting, electrification of domestic appliance) at Geelong West Kindergarten in Geelong West, Victoria.	\$3,374.64

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Glen Eira City Council	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Glen Eira City	Punding to implement solar, battery installation at Caulfield Park Tennis Centre, and lighting installation at Glen Orme Tennis Club in Ormond, Victoria.	\$10,624.00
Greater Shepparton City Council	Council  CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Greater Shepparton City Council	Funding to install efficient heating/cooling, electrification of domestic appliances, building modifications, rooftop solar PV at Toolamba Recreation Reserve and Community Centre in Toolamba, Victoria.	\$51,778.00
Kadampa Meditation Centre Australia	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Kadampa Meditation Centre Australia	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (efficient appliance installation, building modification) at Kadampa Meditation Centre Australia in Olinda, Victoria.	\$9,607.00
Macedon Ranges Shire Council	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Macedon Ranges Shire Council	Funding to supply and install energy efficiency upgrades (efficient heating/cooling) at Riddells Creek Neighbourhood House in Riddells Creek, Victoria.	\$3,361.00
Merri-bek City Council (formerly Moreland)	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Merri-Bek Council	Funding to install the approved energy efficiency upgrades at Brunswick Neighbourhood House in Brunswick and Newlands Neighbourhood House in Coburg North, Victoria.	\$11,805.00
Mildura Rural City Council	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Mildura Rural City Council	Funding to implement the energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at Aero Ovals Tennis Clubrooms, and lighting installation at Sunraysia Hockey Association in Mildura, Victoria.	\$4,953.64
Morwell Bowling Club & Recreation Centre Inc.	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Morwell Bowling Club & Recreation Centre Inc.	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at Morwell Bowling Club in Morwell, Victoria.	\$15,000.00
Murrumbeena Park Bowling Club	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Murrumbeena Park Bowls Club Inc.	Funding to supply and install the approved energy efficiency upgrades (efficient heating/cooling, building modifications) at Murrumbeena Park Bowls Club in Murrumbeena, Victoria.	\$5,681.82
Nillumbik Shire Council	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Nillumbik Shire Council	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar, battery installation) at Greensborough Hockey Club Pavilion and lighting installation at Eltham Tennis Club in Nillumbik Shire, Victoria.	\$8,134.00
Ouyen Roxy Theatre Inc	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Ouyen Roxy Theatre	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (efficient appliance installation, building modification) at Ouyen Roxy Theatre in Ouyen, Victoria.	\$733.00
Tara Centre for Wisdom Culture	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Tara Centre for Wisdom Culture Inc	Funding to install the approved energy efficiency upgrades (rooftop solar PV) at Tara Institute in Brighton East, Victoria.	\$17,868.00
The Trustees of the Syro- Malabar Eparchy of St Thomas	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades -The Trustees of the Syro-Malabar Eparchy of St Thomas	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at St Alphonsa Cathedral Parish in Epping, Victoria.	\$12,444.12
Timboon Golf Club Inc	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Timboon Golf Club Inc.	Funding to install the energy efficiency upgrades (rooftop solar PV) at Timboon Golf Club in Timboon, Victoria.	\$625.80
Wangaratta Rural City Council	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Wangaratta Rural City Council	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar, lighting, efficient appliance installation) at Moyhu Community Hall in Moyhu, Victoria.	\$3,894.00

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Warrnambool City Council	CCCEA RD2 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Warrnambool City Council	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar installation) at Russells Creek Club Social Rooms in Warrnambool in Victoria.	\$2,967.95
Yarra Ranges Council	CCCEA RD3 Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Yarra Ranges Shire Council	Funding to install the energy efficiency upgrades (energy-efficient LED lighting) at CIRE Community House Mt Evelyn, Launching Place Preschool, Mooroolbark Early Childhood Education Centre, Yarra Glen Men's Shed, Japara Day Care Centre, Japara Living & Learning Centre in Yarra Ranges Shire, Victoria.	\$15,696.00
Yarram Neighbourhood House	Energy Efficiency Upgrades - Yarram Neighbourhood House	Funding to implement energy efficiency upgrades (solar and efficient appliances installation) in Yarram Neighbourhood House and Yarram Men's Shed in Yarram, Victoria.	\$1,746.00
		TOTAL	\$244,744.04

## **Circular Economy Business Support**

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The objective of this program is to support the delivery of the Business Support Fund (BSF) Programs. The BSF programs aim to help Victorian businesses take advantage of circular economy opportunities. The program will contribute towards stronger economic growth and protecting our environment, including reducing waste.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
A.BCH	RVInnovation- Circular Sourcing Marketplace	Build a digital platform to connect the oversupply of textile materials with demand via a business-to-consumer and business-to-business marketplace. This project will provide the digital infrastructure to redistribute Victorian surplus textiles in a way that captures the variety of enterprises that make up the textiles, clothing and footwear industry.	\$19,900.00
Benzoil Pty Ltd	RVInnovation- Reducing food waste in manufacturing by developing food products	Grainout, in partnership with MFI (Monash Food Innovation) and Monash University's New Frontiers program, will develop new plant-based food products from waste by-products, leveraging detailed market analysis and consumer insights. They will also establish processes to repurpose food waste into new products suitable for human consumption, using existing networks and expertise in product transformation and packaging.	\$30,000.00
CLOS Laminated Offsite Solutions Pty Ltd	RVInnovation-CLOS: 50% Construction Waste Reduction through Prefab	The project focuses on demonstrating waste avoidance, cost reductions and increased performance of prefabricated homes. It will assess against traditional construction methods and showcase best practice with the assistance of the collaborative partners.	\$30,000.00
Deakin University		The project aims to develop a novel, circular alternative to polyester by creating bioinspired textiles. The fibres and textiles will be made from recombinant protein-based biopolymers derived from the nesting material of a native Australian solitary bee using sustainable and energy-efficient bioreactors to produce the biopolymer through fermentation.	\$120,000.00
Kathmandu	RVInnovation- Kathmandu Apparel Life Extension Pilot with The Renewal Workshop	Kathman-REDU is a pilot program for product renewal with Kathmandu which is intercepting used, damaged or faulty products that would normally be destined for landfill. Instead, the pilot will focus on repurposing items by repairing, washing and relabelling them to be resold under the Kathman-REDU label at Kathmandu retail stores in Victoria.	\$135,000.00

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Lotus Energy Recycling Pty Ltd	Solar-PV REUSE protocols and National Accredited Training Program development	This project will develop Australia's first "Solar-PV REUSE Protocols" to determine whether a decommissioned solar panel can be reused or repurposed. These protocols will be used to create the course curriculum and materials for a National Accredited Training Program.	\$141,225.00
Rendine Constructions Pty Ltd	Design and Practice for Disassembly and Reuse in Modular Construction	The project aims to design and produce a prototype modular building using obsolete building components from the Victorian School Building Authority's Relocatable Building Program. These components, which would otherwise contribute to waste and recycling, come from decades of manufacturing and deploying relocatable classrooms.	\$90,840.00
RMIT University	Nightingale Village post-occupancy evaluation	Undertake a post-occupancy evaluation (including its environmental sustainability) of Nightingale Village. Identify policy implications for Class 2 developments.	\$4,997.47
RMIT University	Enabling the Reuse of Demolished Bricks through a New Mortar Design	This project, the first of its kind in Australia, aims to develop a new mortar design with tailored adhesion that allows easy debonding from demolished bricks. By using this innovative mortar, whole bricks can be reused in their highest value, thereby extending their useful life, reducing the need for virgin materials, and decreasing greenhouse gas emissions in the construction sector.	\$85,000.00
RMIT University	Refashioning: Accelerating Circular Product Design at Scale	The Refashioning: Accelerating Circular Product Design at Scale project will develop, pilot, and evaluate a series of open-source guides to help product development and design teams in implementing circular design and systems change. These guides will provide actionable and measurable criteria for implementing circular design and assessing its long-term impact.	\$46,219.00
STREAT	RVInnovation-Open Sauce	This project will create a zero-organic waste 'hub and spoke' model for small batch food production and waste processing. It will audit and map the supply chains, waste streams, assets and capabilities across the Moving Feast social enterprise network, inviting the participation of the public to develop a range of new circular retail products.	\$20,000.00
University of Melbourne	RVInnovation-A Novel, Extended- Use Infection Protection Gown	Provide a safe, novel solution to extend the use of disposable medical gowns to reduce the number of gowns used and disposed of in Victoria. This includes, evaluating and demonstrating whether a coating can be applied to a disposable personal protective equipment (PPE) gown to extend its use in a clinical setting.	\$40,000.00
Victoria Circular Activator	RVInnovation- Victoria Circular Activator	The Victorian Circular Activator will provide a physical circular economy hub and lead catalysing activities including research, a business data platform, frameworks to support business collaboration, four business-focused capability-building programs and innovation showcases.	\$109,975.00
Australian Furniture Association Inc	B2B Sustainable Furniture Procurement	The project will focus on producing effective marketing and communication and promoting sustainable procurement. An audit of the commercial furniture industry in Victoria will be performed to provide valuable data, ensuring a deeper understanding of existing furniture supply chain challenges and opportunities.	\$180,000.00
B-Alternative	Upgrade of B-Alternative's Reusable Crockery Service and Infrastructure	B-Alternative's Reusable Crockery Service and Infrastructure project aims to reduce waste from single-use crockery by offering sustainable and cost- effective alternatives. It involves upgrading B-Alternative's crockery service and infrastructure to create a more efficient and scalable circular solution.	\$34,816.00
Boundary Bend Olives	Building Australia's first zero-waste hub for olive growers	The Sustainable Olive Mill Waste Management Project seeks to revolutionise the handling of olive pomace waste in Australia through the implementation of a combination of recycling technologies to de-water the biomass and extract valuable components from the waste. Australia's largest olive oil producer will build an industry-first facility to upcycle up to 28,000 tonnes of olive waste each year into new products.	\$70,000.00

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Cathedral Cherries	Transforming cherry waste into commercially viable, high-value products	This project will focus on transforming on-farm cherry 'waste' into valuable new food and drink products for the domestic and international market. Through development and testing, a business case will identify the most commercially viable option for a new high-value product that can be produced on-site with specialised processing equipment.	\$47,841.00
Cross Laminated Offsite Solutions (CLOS) Pty Ltd	Expansion of the CLOS Advanced Building Facility	A significant percentage of landfill in Victoria is from construction and demolition waste. Offsite, modular manufacturing presents the opportunity to reduce construction waste by 50%. A barrier to the uptake of modular construction is the lack of factory infrastructure to deliver prefabrication in a scalable way. The CLOS project is an expansion of their modular manufacturing capacity by developing a closed panel system - enabling finished wall and floor panels to be completed on a conveyor line increasing their processing capacity by 10.	\$525,000.00
Connectone Club Pty Ltd	Al-Powered Digital Platform to Build Sustainable Circular Economy Ecosystem	The project will develop a robust demonstration for a digital B2B platform focused on reducing on-farm waste and increasing profits. The platform will provide a range of tools to inform, promote collaboration, and boost organic waste commercialisation, through the schedule of future harvests, business partnerships, donation actions, and quality control.	\$85,000.00
Cumulo Group Pty Ltd	Returnr Marketplace	Creating the 'Returnr Marketplace', Australia's first zero-packaging-waste, membership-based, online grocery delivery service. This new business model enables local producers and food brands to sell their products in fully reusable packaging, collected from customers after use to be washed, sanitised and reused time and time again.	\$80,000.00
D5 Building Group Pty. Ltd.	Reducing waste in Victoria through a Circular modular housing system	Create a modular housing system that will design out waste from the start. The modules and components can be assembled in a variety of layouts, disassembled and reused again. People will be able to sell and trade their modules and components in the future on a purpose designed digital marketplace.	\$130,000.00
Dairy Australia Limited	Developing a Dairy Sector Food Waste Action Plan	Delivering Australia's first food waste action plan for the dairy sector, this project focused on quantifying the volume and composition of dairy waste while developing effective solutions to minimise waste in processing and households. Through this initiative, innovative products, services, and business models have been identified to foster the establishment of a circular dairy sector.	\$5,000.00
Encoro Pty Ltd	Growing Bettercup's manufacturing capacity and circular support services	Bettercup will use this funding to double its manufacturing and cleaning capacity of reusable cups. This project will enable Bettercup to continue to eliminate single-use plastics at events.	\$307,151.00
Green Collect Limited	Piloting the Circular Capabilities Package	The project aims to develop, implement, and commercialise a Circular Capabilities Package. This package examines the long-term integration of circular economy practices in the office. It is designed to help service sector organisations through a structured capability-building programme consisting of 3 stages: Circular Transition Assessment, Getting Started, and Circular Behaviour Building.	\$173,166.66
Innovative Mechatronics Group Pty Ltd	Commercialisation of Retired Electric Vehicle Batteries for Energy Storage (BESS)	The current program of IM Group, with its new brand Infinitev, will be the first to make a circular economy solution for electric vehicle batteries by reusing, repurposing and recycling end-of-life batteries. The focus of the Infinitev project is the Infinitev Battery Energy Storage System (BESS), which uses batteries no longer suited to vehicle applications and repurposes them into an energy storage system.	\$282,000.00

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Reece Group	Developing circular business models for Reece's building supply chain	The project aims to collaborate with key stakeholders in Reece Group's supply chain, customers, and operations. The goal is to identify and evaluate various circular economy opportunities to invest in with customers and suppliers, prioritise the top three most promising opportunities for further development. Each opportunity will have a business case and implementation plan created.	\$35,095.00
Reground Pty Ltd	The Reground Circular Economy Exchange	The Circular Economy Exchange (CEE) is an all-in-one digital procurement, investment, and reporting platform which bridges the gap between linear corporations and circular businesses. It is an industry-to-industry solution, designed by circular economy operators with first hand knowledge of market gaps and opportunities.	\$52,500.00
Southern Cross Recycling Group Pty Ltd	HOMEcycle Smart Centre Feasibility Study	SCR Group is exploring a unique resource recovery concept for the reuse and recycling of personal and household goods. The concept is to maximise the diversion of personal and household goods from landfill by providing a more effective platform to recover these goods compared to current practices and pathways.	\$55,500.00
The Frank Wild Pty Ltd	Gate to Glass - Circular Wine Solutions for Events	This project will develop a new circular business model that avoids glass waste in the events industry. It will focus on creating a new reusable keg service and reusable glass bottles for wine at events in-place of traditional wine bottles, which generate significant waste in Australia.	\$58,500.00
The RJ King Family Trust	R4 Circular Solutions for Textiles	This project will divert 8.2 tonnes per year of textile waste from landfill through the expansion of their circular 'R4' (Repurpose, Repair, Recycle, Restore) renewal solutions. This project will expand its manufacturing capability and reduce energy consumption through the purchase of new equipment specific to outdoor garments and camping equipment.	\$42,130.00
The Trustee for The Broadford Mill Trust	Establishing Victoria's First Sustainable Edgeboard Manufacturing Line	The Broadford Mill has introduced a locally manufactured angle board (also known as edge board). This product is made from recycled paper waste from the company's own site, as well as from external suppliers. The mill has replaced raw source materials with recycled materials, contributing to waste avoidance and improved processing capacity.	\$2,500.00
		TOTAL	\$3,039,356.13

## **Circular Economy Communities Fund**

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The objective of this program is to assist Victorian communities to transition to a circular economy by providing grant programs to solicit creative solutions for issues and gaps in the current waste management system.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Access Australia Group	Bendigo Share and Repair Shed	Establishing a community 'Share and Repair Shed' including a repair café, tool library, and recycling collection point.	\$32,450.00
Albury Wodonga Regional FoodShare	Feed More Waste Less	Increasing access to rescued food to be distributed to schools, individuals, and families across the Albury Wodonga region that are experiencing financial hardship. The expansion of the existing network of food suppliers involved in the Feed More Waste Less program will be achieved by dedicating a Project Coordinator to the program.	\$26,100.00

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Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Assembled Threads	Tackling the textile crisis in Victoria's uniform procurement channels.	Expanding the current 'Towards Circular High Visibility Apparel' project by recycling hi-vis vests at end of life and creating recycled fibre medical scrubs using recycled bottles and textile waste.	\$8,850.00
Ballarat East Neighbourhood House Inc.	Zero Waste Homes Ballarat - Pilot Community Education Project	Delivering a hands-on course for householders to enable them to confidently address waste and recycling issues.	\$32,317.00
Banksia Gardens Community Services	Composting is circular: a story of food and a forest	Diverting organic waste and transforming it into nutrient- rich soil to be used to regenerate their community services spaces.	\$30,343.00
Boots For All Inc	Sport for All - Uni Hill: Sporting Goods Rebound Platform	Reducing waste generation and diverting from landfill by salvaging sporting goods and redistributing to those in need across Banyule and Whittlesea. In addition to prolonging the life of these items, this project aims to increase participation in community sport.	\$5,900.00
Brainwave Australia	Brainwave Bikes - LGA Bike Recycling program	This project will promote the work of Brainwave Australia and form partnerships with local councils (LGAs) to increase the number of drop-off points for bike recycling to prevent this waste item from entering landfill. Recycled bikes will be cleaned, tested and sold.	\$40,750.00
Brunswick Neighbourhood House	Waste Less Recycle More	Creating a community-based education resource that will demonstrate how to grow one's own food and incorporate closed loop agricultural practices through composting and worm farming.	\$32,450.00
Carlton Neighbourhood Learning Centre	Delivering community circular economy waste solutions	Providing a recycling collection point for batteries, e-waste, soft plastics, light-bulbs, and plastic tags and delivering a recycling education program targeting migrants and refugees.	\$31,972.00
Cire Services Inc.	Upcycling with Cire	Delivering workshops to re-purpose unusable clothing donations and divert textile waste from landfill.	\$22,100.00
Darebin Information Volunteer & Resource Service Incorporated	Harvest. Rescue. Share. Connect. For a thriving Darebin.	Recipient will establish a food rescue project and rebuild a food harvesting project. Through these projects, the aim is to recycle 22 tonnes of organic materials and to repurpose food for emergency relief and facilitate and manage training workshops in fruit tree care, harvesting and composting.	\$18,742.00
Darley Neighbourhood House and Learning Centre	Bacchus Marsh Circular Economy Community Hub	Developing the 'Bacchus Marsh Circular Economy Community Hub' through a repair café, borrowing service, and shared learnings workshop space.	\$23,116.00
Diamond Valley Community Support Inc	The Food Collective - Next Level Project	Diverting organic material from landfill and facilitating access to food relief through food rescue and donation.	\$84,192.00
Enable Social Enterprises Limited	Connecting Communities	Expanding their tech recycling service to repurpose items and provide employment and education to young people from disadvantaged backgrounds.	\$13,750.00
Garage Sale Trail Foundation	Multi-Unit Dwelling Circular Economy Hubs	Delivering a series of pop-up circular economy hubs for multi-unit dwellers within the City of Melbourne featuring reuse markets and swap and repair workshops.	\$24,000.00
Jesuit Social Services Limited	Regenerative Plastics: A Community Education Project	Partnering with Precious Plastics to repurpose plastic bottle lids and providing education and job readiness programs for those with different abilities and the long-term unemployed.	\$29,000.00
Kensington Neighbourhood House	Kensington Community Waste Wisdoms Program	Transitioning Kensington to a circular economy through repair cafés, community compost hubs and an educational campaign.	\$25,594.00

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Kororoit Creek Neighbourhood House Association Incorporated	Brimbank Repair Cafe and Workshop Series	Establishing a volunteer-led repair café in Brimbank to support the community to gain skills in repair, re-use, and re-purposing.	\$21,120.00
Lalor Living and Learning Centre	Lalor interactive arts, permaculture and waste reduction precinct project	Creating an interactive arts, permaculture, recycling, and waste reduction precinct drawing on the skills of migrant residents.	\$32,450.00
Milparinka	Contributing to Sustainability Through Community Composting	Implementing a sustainable and accessible circular compost system (including purchase of a food dehydrator) to convert organic waste into useable compost. Aim is to divert food waste from landfill and create a reusable resource within the Brunswick community, with a focus on connecting people living with a disability, providing them with new opportunities via the SEEDs Communal Garden.	\$25,300.00
Morwell Neighbourhood House & Learning Centre	Morwell War on Waste - Local Solutions for low waste living	Encouraging sustainable household practices through the Free Store – redirecting useable items from landfill to those in need, and the repair café – extending the life of items.	\$29,300.00
No More Butts Ltd	MycoCycling Community Cigarette Butt Waste to Re-direct from Landfill	Provision of a free service to collect and recycle cigarette butt waste, transforming it into useable items such as packaging through the process of mycology. The recycling process will be undertaken using a particular strain of mushrooms that will help the breakdown of cigarette butt filters for use in the production of new materials.	\$18,349.35
Northern Community Church of Christ	Turning Food Waste into Fertiliser	Purchase a Food Waste Dehydrator to convert more than 3,600kg of food waste produced onsite into fertiliser for use in kitchen garden and other community sites.  Diverting organic material from landfill and educating the community on food recycling and the circular economy.	\$2,720.00
Open Table	Open Table's Food Rescue Hub	Providing food sharing initiatives through the establishment of surplus food collections, community lunches, composting, and community education.	\$31,900.00
Outer East Foodshare Inc	Who thought it could taste so good?	Partnering with Feed One Feed All to increase surplus food collection and repurposing it through food charities and school breakfast programs.	\$46,598.00
OzFish Unlimited	Shell Savers - Saving shells by the seashore	Diverting shells from landfill to use in biodiversity restoration activities in local waters.	\$50,100.00
Reground Pty Ltd	Remote Reground - Sustainable Coffee for all Victorians	Expanding their existing project to provide 'Remote Reground', a coffee collection service reaching more businesses and redistributing coffee waste to be repurposed across Victoria.	\$149,700.00
Rethink Recycling Co-op Ltd	Rethink Recycling Co-op Mobile Education Trailer	Setting up a mobile education trailer to educate on plastic waste re-manufacturing that can provide an interactive education program with all-in-one plastic processing ability, to deliver programs across schools, universities, festivals, summits, expos, business and community events, and webinars.	\$23,600.00
Richmond Community Learning Centre	Yarra Repair Pop Ups	Providing fixing and mending services and educating and upskilling community members. Establish local repair pop-ups for residents to be able to bring in items for mending, fixing, and cleaning. Volunteers will be trained and mentored to offer a range of fixing and mending services.	\$45,932.00
Soap Aid Ltd	Soaping Our Way to a Circular Economy	Establishing a soap repurposing centre in Melbourne to divert soap from landfill and redistribute to community groups and vulnerable Victorians.	\$127,838.00

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Sustain : The Australian Food Network	Oakhill Food Justice Farm Resource and Composting Hub	Expanding on the activities at the Oakhill Food Justice Farm to become a centre of sustainability. This will include expanding deliveries of pre-ordered compost, creating a dedicated bay for cardboard for locals which will be reused into food growing or native revegetation projects run by volunteers, starting a micro seedling nursery to establish a plastic-free seedling operation on site, running workshops and events on how to make compost, grow fresh food and more.	\$32,450.00
Sustain : The Australian Food Network	Unboxed Victoria	Providing farmers with reusable packaging and creating more sustainable and efficient shipping of fresh produce around Victoria.	\$95,267.00
Tangaroa Blue Foundation	Rig Recycle - Victoria	Expanding on their existing programs to collect and repurpose recreational fishing and packaging items through an innovative repair, reuse and recycle framework.	\$124,825.00
The Bicycle Recycle Shed	Bicycle Landfill Diversion through Education and Empowerment Project	Educating and upskilling community members in bicycle maintenance, upcycling, and re-purposing with a particular focus on female-identifying residents.	\$16,720.00
The Scout Association of Australia, Victorian Branch	Scouts Victoria - Campsite Food Waste Diversion	Implementing food waste recycling at Gilwell Park campsite to divert food waste from landfill and educate the community.	\$12,300.00
The Trustee for The Salvation Army (Victoria) Property Trust	Salvos Stores Electronics Circularity Best Practice	Expand their current offering of Test and Tag services (process of inspecting and testing portable electrical appliances to ensure their safety and compliance with Australian regulations) at Salvos Stores across Victoria. This will include purchase and distribution of new Test and Tag machines and training for volunteers.	\$32,400.00
West Welcome Wagon Inc	Rescue, revive and repurpose to support New Australians in need.	Expanding the collection and redistribution of unwanted goods and rehoming them with new residents in the western suburbs of Melbourne.	\$114,600.00
		TOTAL	\$1,515,095.35

## **Circular Economy Councils Fund**

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The objective of this program is to assist Victorian councils to transition to a circular economy by providing grant programs to solicit innovative solutions for issues and gaps when it comes to the reuse, repair, repurpose, and recycle of materials and products in the current waste management and resource recovery systems.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Alpine Shire Council	CE Councils Alpine - Reuse Shop at Myrtleford Transfer Station	Funding to set up a Reuse Shop at Myrtleford Transfer Station within an existing shed, and install an office in another existing shed to facilitate staffing and operation of the Reuse Shop.	\$95,999.40
Bayside City Council	CE Councils Implementation Bayside's Roving Repair Program	The project will hold a minimum of 6 pop-up repair events throughout Bayside City Council, across a 12-month period, to implement findings from the CE Councils Fund Round 1 Feasibility Study.	\$50,000.00

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Central Goldfields Shire Council	CE Councils Central Goldfields – Compost Facility Upgrade Carisbrook	This project will deliver an extension and upgrade to the receival area for the municipal food organics and garden organics currently received at the Carisbrook Compost Facility. Provision of a hardstand and curing bays will increase the receival capacity, sorting and decontamination ability and the diversion of materials from transfer station from low grade end value into the compost stream.	\$73,920.00
Central Goldfields Shire Council	CE Councils Implementation Central Goldfields Energy Breakthrough Event Waste Management	The Central Goldfields Energy Breakthrough Event Waste Management is implementing sustainable event waste management systems, along with waste education, before, during and after the 2023 Energy Breakthrough events. Strong focus is placed on waste avoidance and recovery of recyclable and compostable material.	\$48,700.00
City of Darebin	RV Councils Implementation - Darebin Best Waste Practices in Multi Use Dwellings (MUDs)	Ten partner councils: Stonnington, Maribyrnong, Yarra, Port Phillip, Moreland, Geelong, Melbourne, Bayside, Darebin, Glen Eira will contract a delivery partner to engage with all project MUDs and waste contractors to undertake surveys and collate data and responses and create a digital manual for MUDs that incorporates induction for new and current MUD tenants; signage; bin configuration.	\$30,000.00
City of Monash	CE Councils Monash - Circular Economy Leadership Development Program	This collaborative training program, involving 12 Victorian councils, will empower Councils Officers, CEOs, Directors and Leadership teams and Department Professionals to embed circularity into policy and strategies, address barriers to transitioning to a circular economy and build networks of Circular Leaders to achieve change at scale.	\$55,000.00
City of Whittlesea	CE Councils Implementation Whittlesea Circular Resource Practices at Retail Business Precincts	This project will see the implementation of a waste and recycling model in business precincts aimed at achieving circular resource practices, and encouraging the transition to a circular economy.	\$80,000.00
Frankston City Council	CE Councils Frankston - Trim Your Bin Business Program	This project will establish a bin trim program (aimed at reducing waste sent to landfill and increase recycling) for businesses. It incorporates individual visual audits, action plans and follow up audits across 50 - 60 businesses in the Frankston, Casey and Mornington municipalities with Frankston City Council as the lead.	\$96,000.00
Glen Eira City Council	CE Councils Implementation Glen Eira Best Practice Reusable Nappy Program	This project enables councils to offer a best practice reusable nappy program (offering free resources to make it easier for families to use reusable nappies, save money and reduce waste). The councils will evaluate the impact and opportunities to access hands-on experience and personal connections to support the change.	\$68,000.00
Macedon Ranges Shire Council	CE Councils Macedon Ranges Shire Council ReSale shops at Romsey and Kyneton	This project will develop a ReSale shop at the Romsey resource recovery facility with a 'builders yard' attached for timber, pipe, posts and metal sheet for reuse in gardening and small projects around the house or farm, and upgrade the Kyneton Resale Shop.	\$150,066.32
Melbourne City Council	CE Councils Melbourne: Kensington Circular Economy Precinct	The Kensington Circular Economy Precinct project will introduce a circular economy precinct within a hub of businesses in Kensington. Kensington will become a neighbourhood precinct where residents, businesses and visitors will experience circularity in action through events, activations and initiatives led by local businesses and community groups.	\$220,000.00
Moira Shire Council	CE Councils Moira - Resale Shop Cobram and Numurkah Transfer Stations	This project will construct and operate two Resale Shops at Cobram and Numurkah Transfer Stations to divert more waste from landfill, create local employment opportunities, and provide access for the community to pre-loved goods at affordable rates.	\$160,704.00

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Mornington Peninsula Shire Council	CE Councils Mornington Peninsula Wash Against Waste Trailer and Reusables for Events	Mornington Peninsula Shire Council will design and construct a 'Wash Against Waste' trailer and reusable crockery inventory, to be used at Shire events and community gatherings where food/beverages are served.	\$32,000.00
Mount Alexander Shire Council	CE Councils Mount Alexander - Castlemaine Transfer Station Sorting Space	This project will deliver a new concreted floor in a building at the Castlemaine Transfer Station that is used for storing, repairing and dismantling recovered items from the waste stream.	\$48,000.00
Murrindindi Shire Council	CE Councils Murrindindi Mulch Maker	This project will deliver a mulcher to divert brush and wood from landfill into a useable mulch product that the council and community can use.	\$116,249.40
Murrindindi Shire Council	RV Councils Feasibility Business Case for a Modern Resource Recovery Facility in Yea	To deliver a business case for the development of a modern resource recovery facility to service Yea township and surrounding areas.	\$10,000.00
Strathbogie Shire Council	CE Councils Implementation Nagambie Resource Recovery Centre Resale Shop	This project will provide a fit-for-purpose infrastructure to house the Resale Shop in Nagambie. The facility will allow for the safe sorting and/or selling disposed materials that could be repaired, reused or recycled.	\$30,000.00
Surf Coast Shire Council	CE Councils Implementation Lorne Transfer Station Upgrade	This project will upgrade the Lorne Transfer Station to incorporate three additional bin bays, improve resource recovery options and improved traffic flows for locals and visitors, with improved opportunity for reuse and recycling of materials.	\$160,000.00
Swan Hill Rural City Council	CE Councils Implementation Swan Hill Mattress Processing & Recycling Facility	This project will see the creation of a mattress processing facility to recover materials for reuse and recycling.	\$75,000.00
Swan Hill Rural City Council	CE Councils Swan Hill - A Circular Agricultural Plastics Economy (CAPE) for Loddon Mallee	The project will establish a Circular Agricultural Plastics Economy program in the Loddon Mallee region through the purchase of a high capacity mobile plastics baler, generator and trailer. The baler will be operated by council for a fee for service with industry stakeholders, with plastics to be delivered to remanufacturing facilities.	\$92,500.00
Swan Hill Rural City Council	RV Councils Implementation - Swan Hill Compost Facility Stage 1	Establish small scale composting facility including: research, analyse & finalise concept design including EPA approvals, site preparation at Ultima landfill, physical construction of composting rows, testing, analysis and quality assurance.	\$30,000.00
Wangaratta Rural City Council	CE Councils Wangaratta Organics Processing Facility Compost Product Enhancement Project	This enhancement project will assist the Wangaratta Organics Processing facility to process more organic materials and be able to deliver a high value product that can be used in more commercial and varied applications. This will be achieved through the development of an Environmental Management System and purchase of equipment.	\$74,599.62
Wyndham City Council	CE Councils Implementation Wyndham Park Tool Library	This project will establish a Tool Library located at the Wyndham Park Community Shed, converting an underutilised space into a fully fitted out Tool Library, serving the needs of the Werribee and Hoppers Crossing communities and beyond.	\$20,000.00
Wyndham City Council	RV Councils Implementation - Wyndham Bulk Resource Recovery Centre	The project will establish a new bulk waste material resource recovery centre at the Wyndham Refuse Disposal Facility to recover timber, green waste, cardboard, concrete, soils an recyclables. This includes establishment of the equipment sorting materials handler, hardstand customer access area, materials separation area and covered drop-off area.	\$30,000.00

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Yarra Ranges Council	CE Councils Yarra Ranges - Community Textiles Collection Day	Funding for Yarra Ranges Council to hold two one-day trial events, to gauge interest from the community and give them the ability to dispose of textile products that are otherwise destined for landfill.	\$45,000.00
Yarriambiack Shire Council	RV Councils Implementation - Yarriambiack - Wimmera Mallee Councils Recycled Glass Processing Collaboration	To support a formal alliance of five Wimmera Mallee councils: Yarriambiack, Buloke, Horsham, West Wimmera, Hindmarsh to procure mobile glass crushing plant to process glass material collected from glass collection and separation systems at municipal transfer stations.	\$25,000.00
		TOTAL	\$1,916,738.74

# **Education and Behaviour Change Program**

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The objective of this project is to deliver a comprehensive and cohesive household education and behaviour change program for Victorian households.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Alpine Resorts Victoria	Falls Creek Alpine Resort's 4-stream recycling and waste	Funding to introduce glass and Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) service via a tailored campaign, using Sustainability Victoria education materials. It will increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination.	\$10,000.00
Alpine Resorts Victoria	Mt Buller Mt Stirling Alpine Resorts Improving Recycling Services	Funding to introduce glass and FOGO service via a tailored campaign, using Sustainability Victoria education materials. It will increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination.	\$10,000.00
Alpine Resorts Victoria	Mt Hotham promoting the recycling system	For the delivery of a campaign, utilising Sustainability Victoria educational materials, aiming to improve waste and recycling contamination rates and increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination.	\$10,000.00
Alpine Shire Council	Alpine Shire Council Kerbside Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) Service Communications Plan	For the delivery of a local campaign to introduce new household recycling services - FOGO and glass.	\$28,200.00
Bass Coast Shire Council	Bass Coast Shire Council promoting the recycling system	For the delivery of an educational campaign introducing, improving and promoting household recycling services systems and increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination.	\$34,500.00
Baw Baw Shire Council	Baw Baw Shire Council's Glass and FOGO Transition	For the delivery of a local campaign to introduce new household recycling services - glass and food organics to existing garden organics. This will also involve collection frequency and bin lid colour changes.	\$33,800.00
Bayside City Council	Bayside City Council improving recycling services	For the delivery of a campaign, using Sustainability Victoria education materials, which will increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination.	\$42,000.00
Boroondara City Council	Boroondara's targeted contamination minimisation education	For the delivery of a tailored campaign, using Sustainability Victoria education materials, which will increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination.	\$48,000.00

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Borough of Queenscliffe	Queenscliffe's promoting and improving household recycling services	For the delivery of a campaign which will focus on promoting and improving current recycling services and reducing contamination rates in the household kerbside bin system.	\$25,950.00
Brimbank City Council	Brimbank improving recycling and promoting FOGO	For the delivery of a campaign, using Sustainability Victoria education materials, which will increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly. It is aiming to achieve low levels of contamination and increase the uptake of the opt-in food and garden organics service.	\$50,850.00
Buloke Shire Council	Buloke Shire Council - Glass out	The funding is used to deliver a local campaign to introduce a glass drop-off service in.	\$7,700.00
Campaspe Shire Council	Campaspe Shire Council improving recycling and reducing contamination	For the delivery of a campaign, using Sustainability Victoria educational materials to introduce a drop off glass and food waste service at resource recovery centre and reduce contamination.	\$42,070.00
Cardinia Shire Council	Cardinia Shire Council's Standardisation of Bin Lid Colours	For the delivery of a campaign, using Sustainability Victoria education materials, to increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination. This includes education on the standardised bin lid colours.	\$71,190.00
City of Ballarat	City of Ballarat Household Recycling Education Program	For the delivery of a campaign, using the Sustainability Victoria education materials, to increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination. Focus of the campaign is on the top 5 contaminant materials, bagged recycling and the introduction of a FOGO service in 2025.	\$38,000.00
City of Casey	City of Casey's Refuse, Reduce, Recycle Campaign	For the delivery of a campaign, using the Sustainability Victoria education materials, to increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination. The focus of the campaign is on FOGO promotion, changing bin lid colours and reducing contamination of waste streams.	\$68,460.00
City of Darebin	Darebin improving recycling services	For the delivery of a campaign, using the Sustainability Victoria education materials, to increase the understanding and use of the new, upcoming, or existing services correctly, to achieve low levels of contamination. Focus is placed on reducing contamination rates, increased use of FOGO and preparation for the future introduction of glass service.	\$49,350.00
City of Greater Geelong	Geelong - promoting the recycling system	For the delivery of a campaign aimed to improve the existing household recycling services by reducing contamination from bagged rubbish and recyclables and plastics bags in both yellow and green bins. The campaign will use the Small Acts, Big Impact educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria.	\$45,900.00
City of Melton	Melton City Council's FOGO Collection Service	The purpose of the project is to deliver a campaign to introduce a FOGO service and develop positive engagement and behaviour change in the community to the new household recycling services.	\$17,920.00
City of Stonnington	Food waste hubs for high-density dwellings: Small acts, big impact	The funding will be used to improve opt-in food and garden organics service with a trial on public place food waste drop off and promoting shared services at eligible multi-unit dwellings.	\$46,350.00
City of Yarra	City of Yarra's new food and garden organics education and behaviour change program	For the delivery of a campaign introducing new household recycling services to the community, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria.	\$57,677.24

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Colac Otway Shire Council	Colac Otway Shire promoting the recycling system	To develop and deliver a campaign using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus of the campaign will be on improving recycling contamination in 4-stream services, promoting the glass service and diverting waste from landfill.	\$30,150.00
Corangamite Shire Council	Corangamite's glass recycling bin	For the delivery of a campaign focusing on introducing kerbside glass service to eligible properties and drop off to all other properties.	\$32,830.00
East Gippsland Shire Council	East Gippsland Shire Council promoting the recycling system	The funding will be used to develop and deliver a campaign using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus of the campaign will be on improving recycling contamination and reducing waste.	\$42,840.00
Glen Eira City Council	Glen Eira's 'Create compost' education initiative	The project focus is to improve recycling services by promoting the food and garden organics service with a focus on showing the end-product, compost.	\$47,500.00
Golden Plains Shire Council	Golden Plains Shire new 4-stream recycling service	For the delivery of a campaign to introduce new household recycling services to the community, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus is on introducing the 4 stream services with updated bin lids and changing collection frequency.	\$28,988.50
Greater Dandenong City Council	Greater Dandenong City Council's Household Recycling Bin Education Campaign	The funding will be used to develop and deliver a campaign using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus of the campaign will be on improving recycling contamination, bagged recycling and soft plastics.	\$68,460.00
Hepburn Shire Council	Hepburn Shire's new household food and garden organics recycling service	The funding will be used to develop and deliver a campaign using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus of the campaign will be on introducing kerbside FOGO service.	\$42,560.00
Hindmarsh Shire Council	Hindmarsh Shire new Glass collection	For the delivery of a campaign to introduce new household recycling services to the community, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. Introducing glass kerbside service in four towns, glass drop off service at three towns and four transfer stations.	\$8,843.60
Hobsons Bay City Council	Hobsons Bay City Council 4 stream recycling service	For the delivery of a local campaign, utilising Sustainability Victoria educational materials, addressing challenges which have developed as a result of the introduction of 4-stream household recycling services to further reduce contamination levels and increase behaviour change.	\$25,470.00
Horsham Rural City Council	Horsham Rural City Council Recycling Education & Behaviour Change Project	To deliver a campaign to introduce FOGO kerbside service and a glass drop-off service.	\$22,720.00
Latrobe City Council	Latrobe City Sustainability Education Program	To develop and deliver a campaign using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus of the campaign will be on improving recycling service and promoting correct use of the various bins.	\$37,400.00
Macedon Ranges Shire Council	Macedon Ranges Shire Council - Let's Get Sorted	The funding will deliver a new campaign supporting the 4-stream household recycling services aiming at reducing contamination, increase use of the FOGO service and minimise waste.	\$27,520.00
Mansfield Shire Council	Mansfield Shire's improvement and promotion of recycling services.	To develop and deliver a campaign, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus of the campaign will be on introducing kerbside FOGO service and improving recycling contamination.	\$23,850.00

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Maribyrnong City Council	Maribyrnong City Council promoting the recycling system	To develop and deliver a campaign, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus of the campaign will be on improving recycling and FOGO contamination and reducing waste.	\$44,600.00
Melbourne City Council	City of Melbourne's staged organics collection service rollout for low-rise MUDs	The funding will be used to deliver a campaign to introduce FOGO kerbside service to all multi-unit dwellings up to 5 stories. This is stage 2 of the FOGO roll out.	\$10,430.00
Merri-bek City Council (formerly Moreland)	Moreland's new 4-stream kerbside waste service	For the delivery of a campaign to introduce new household recycling services to the community, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. Council is expanding their existing opt-in food and garden organics service to a universal service and introducing glass kerbside and drop off service.	\$40,894.40
Mildura Rural City Council	Mildura Rural City Council's new glass recycling service	To deliver a local campaign to introduce new household recycling services utilising Sustainability Victoria educational materials. Council is introducing a kerbside and drop off glass service in line with the new 4-stream kerbside services.	\$46,422.60
Mitchell Shire Council	Mitchell Shire's Recycling Services are Changing for the Better	To deliver a campaign, utilising Sustainability Victoria educational materials, focused on contamination reduction in the food and garden organics and recycling kerbside streams.	\$36,400.00
Moira Shire Council	Moira's Transition to Circular Economy and 4 stream Recycling Service.	For the delivery of a campaign utilising Sustainability Victoria educational materials, focused on introducing drop off glass and organics service and kerbside glass service.	\$43,750.00
Moonee Valley City Council	Moonee Valley City Council - Expanding FOGO service	To develop and deliver a campaign, utilising Sustainability Victoria educational materials, focused on the expansion of existing opt-in FOGO services to a mandatory universal FOGO service.	\$18,415.40
Moorabool Shire Council	Moorabool Shire Council - Promoting the recycling system	To develop and deliver a campaign using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus of the campaign will be on improving recycling and FOGO contamination and reducing waste.	\$32,250.00
Mornington Peninsula Shire Council	Mornington Peninsula Shire promoting and improving the recycling services system	To develop and deliver a campaign using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. The focus is on improving recycling contamination, including bagged recycling and hazardous waste, and promoting an opt-in FOGO service.	\$60,200.00
Mount Alexander Shire Council	Mount Alexander - Recycling Right - Household Education and Behaviour Change	To promote the introduction of glass and FOGO services as well as education to improve recycling and reduce waste to landfill.	\$29,450.00
Nillumbik Shire Council	Nillumbik Shire Council improving recycling services and food waste diversion	To develop and deliver a campaign utilising Sustainability Victoria educational materials. The campaign will focus on reducing recycling contamination and promote use of a FOGO service.	\$36,800.00
Pyrenees Shire Council	Pyrenees Shire Council promoting the recycling system	To develop a campaign, using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria, to reduce recycling contamination and divert waste from landfill.	\$18,950.00
Southern Grampians Shire Council	Southern Grampians Shire's improving recycling services	To develop a campaign, using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria, focused on contamination reduction in the FOGO and recycling kerbside streams.	\$23,200.00
Strathbogie Shire Council	Strathbogie Shire's Sorting Superstars	To develop a campaign with a focus on improving recycling services and reducing waste as well as promotion of the new glass service.	\$24,050.00

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Surf Coast Shire Council	Surf Coast Shire Council promoting waste prevention to improve recycling	To develop a campaign, using the educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria, focused on the improvement of existing 4-stream services.	\$32,650.00
Swan Hill Rural City Council	Swan Hill Rural City Council's new 4-stream recycling service	To introduce a glass drop off service and expand the existing opt-in garden organics kerbside service to a universal FOGO service.	\$30,459.00
Towong Shire Council	Towong Shire's Rural Waste Education for Glass and FOGO transition	Tho deliver a campaign to introduce the household 4-stream recycling services to the community, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria.	\$20,188.50
Wangaratta Rural City Council	Rural City of Wangaratta - Kerbside transition community education program	To deliver a campaign introducing a kerbside glass service and improve the use of the kerbside FOGO service.	\$30,259.00
Warrnambool City Council	Promoting the recycling system	To develop and deliver a campaign utilising Sustainability Victoria educational materials, introducing new household recycling services to the community. It will be focused on reducing recycling contamination in 4-stream services and building trust in the new recycling system.	\$33,600.00
Wellington Shire Council	Wellington Shire new FOGO kerbside collection	To implement a campaign introducing a kerbside FOGO service and offering a drop off service for residents outside waste collection areas.	\$31,700.00
West Wimmera Shire Council	West Wimmera Shire Council's Glass Recycling Program	To deliver a campaign to introduce new household recycling services to the community, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria with the focus on the new kerbside and drop off glass service.	\$23,227.27
Wyndham City Council	Wyndham City Council improving recycling services	To deliver a campaign to introduce new household recycling services to the community, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria, focusing on the improvement of existing services by standardising bin lid colours. The campaign also addresses recycling contamination and reducing waste.	\$89,910.00
Yarra Ranges Council	Yarra Ranges Four-stream service education program	To deliver a campaign to introduce new household recycling services to the community, using educational materials developed by Sustainability Victoria. Council is introducing a kerbside FOGO service and updating landfill bin lid colour from green to red.	\$41,638.50
Yarriambiack Shire Council	Yarriambiack Shire Council's New Glass Drop-Off and Kerbside Collection System	To deliver a campaign to introduce glass drop-off and kerbside collection service.	\$3,870.00
		TOTAL	\$1,980,364

## **Gippsland Plantation Investment Program**

#### **DEECA**

This projects primary objective is to further diversify timber supply away from native forests to increased supply from plantations.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
The University of Melbourne	Farm Forestry Research Project - Maximising co-benefits from trees on grazing properties in South Eastern Australia	This project supports research enhancing the evidence base for the co-benefits of planting trees on farms. The work has ensured strong evidence in support of the Gippsland Farm Forestry Program in providing landowners with a better picture of the proposed benefits of tree plantings on their land (shade, shelter, biodiversity, water improvement etc).	\$30,000.00
Hancock Victorian Plantations Pty Ltd	Gippsland Plantations Investment Program	The Gippsland Plantations Investment Program is part of the government's commitment to grow more plantations as the state transitions out of native forest logging. Hancock Victorian Plantations Pty Ltd will add an additional 16 million trees to Victoria's plantation estate through greenfield development which is expected to remove approximately 7.8 million tonnes of carbon dioxide over the next 25 years.	\$17,296,401.75
		TOTAL	\$17,326,401.75

## High Risk and Hazardous Waste Sites Program

#### **DEECA**

The High-Risk and Hazardous Waste Sites program implement the Coordinated Prevention and Response Framework which aims to minimise risks to the community and environment in the most cost-effective manner through coordinated whole of government action; and enable government to respond effectively and efficiently in the management of high risk waste sites.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Fire Rescue Victoria	Local Government Capacity Building	To assist Fire Rescue Victoria in the establishment of a new Waste and Recycling Unit and ensure it is able to better manage the risks associated with fires at waste and recycling facilities and illegal chemical storage sites across Victoria.	\$149,000.00
		TOTAL	\$149,000.00

## Industry and Infrastructure Development Package

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The objective of the fund is to increase investment in Victoria's resource recovery sector for kerbside materials. Investment is needed to improve the capacity and capability of recycling infrastructure to produce higher quality recovered materials to meet market requirements.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Cleanaway Pty Ltd	Pre- and Poly- Fluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Treatment Plant	Cleanaway will purchase, install and commission equipment for a new pre- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) Treatment Plant at their Campbellfield site. The treatment will reduce PFAS concentrations to below 1 ppb for three different PFAS species in trade waste discharge.	\$277,826.82
ASQ Group Pty Ltd	ASQ Glass Washing Facility	The recipient will install a Glass Washing Plant at their existing recycling facility to wash recycled glass products diverted from landfill and make them available to the market as a sand replacement. The facility will expand current glass crushing operations.	\$238,000.00
Bio Gro - Victoria	Bio Gro New Regional Organics Recovery & Processing Facility	To build a state of the art open windrow composting facility to compost, mature, screen, blend and value add organics materials. Feedstocks will include green organics, FOGO, food, timber, forestry residue, assorted manures, assorted mortality, commercial liquids, digestate and pasteurized FOGO.	\$763,875.00
Central Gippsland Region Water Corporation	Gippsland Regional Organics Process Expansion Project	The project will include upgrades to the organics processing (electrical, water and storm water), the construction of hardstands, additional equipment (windrow turner, hose reel & finish product equipment) and the design. This will result in the diversion of an additional 70,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) of organics waste including FOGO from landfill.	\$300,000.00
Circular Plastics Australia (PE) Pty Ltd	Post-consumer plastics reprocessing plant: An end-to-end solution	The project will provide a local closed loop solution for recycling and remanufacture of plastic products in Victoria through constructing a plastics reprocessing facility to process 20,000 tpa.	\$450,000.00
Circular Plastics Australia (PET) VIC Pty Ltd	Project Symphony - a new Victorian Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) bottles recycling plant	CPA(PET) will deliver a Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) plastic bottle recycling facility at PortLink Logistics Estate in Altona North.	\$2,250,000.00
Close the Loop Ltd	Australian Technology turns soft plastic waste into TonerPlas and rFlex	Close the Loop will pioneer, install and commission a "Mix Melter" machine, an Australian invention to turn mixed and contaminated soft plastic waste material into the proven and highly successful TonerPlas (asphalt additive) and rFlex products (used in manufacture of plastic items e.g. pallets, crates, baskets and tubs).	\$100,000.00
Corex Recycling Pty Ltd	Project Succeed	Corex Recycling will repair and recommission existing recycling equipment and install a new Flake/Powder feeding system. This infrastructure upgrade will allow Corex Recycling to increase its sorting and processing capacity recycling difficult mixed materials such as retail coat hangers and car bumper bars into pelletised resins, for use in injection moulding manufacturing.	\$72,000.00
EQ Plastics Pty Ltd	Extrusion line to produce Post- Consumer Recyclate (PCR) Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) films	This project will install a new extrusion line to produce new PET rigid films using locally recycled PET material for the packaging industry.	\$3,725.00

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Fulton Hogan Industries Pty Ltd	Fulton Hogan mobile glass crusher	Fulton Hogan will purchase, install and commission the Mobile Glass Crusher which will accept glass from regional councils and industry, to be crushed into a sand and incorporated back into asphalt products to build local roads.	\$30,000.00
Garden City Plastics	Plastics product manufacture upgrade & expansion	Garden City Plastics will expand their Dandenong facility, with the addition of 2 new injection moulding production lines and replacement of eighteen 20+ year old machines. The project will enable Garden City Plastics to increase the use of recycled plastic (polypropylene) in their products.	\$291,988.50
GT Recycling	Flexible Plastic Capacity and Technology Upgrade	GT Recycling will expand their plastics recycling facility in Moolap to locally recycle soft plastics.	\$630,000.00
J.J. Richards and Sons Pty Ltd (Head Office)	Wangaratta and Bendigo Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) upgrades	J.J Richards & Sons' will purchase decontamination equipment to reduce contamination of glass collected to a level where it can be reprocessed as a road base, rather than going to landfill. The project will also include baling equipment for paper and plastics to reduce bottlenecks and increase throughput at their Wangaratta and Bendigo MRF's.	\$4,675.00
Martogg and Company	Martogg Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) Hot Wash Flake Plant	The project will install PET plastic sorting and a prewash plant to process post-consumer PET containers involving PET plastic wet grinding and hot caustic wash plant to produce 17,300 tpa of food grade PET flake. The food grade PET flake will be sold primarily to Australian PET packaging manufacturers.	\$555,000.00
Polymer Processors	Plastics reprocessing facility expansion	By installing and commissioning new infrastructure and equipment, Polymer Processor's will increase their capacity by 18,600 tonnes per annum and reprocess hard and soft post-consumer plastics into pellets for manufacturing.	\$656,666.66
Polyrok International Pty Ltd	Advanced Polymer Feedstock	Polyrok will purchase and install Herbold Plastcompaction Line consisting of a shredder, conveyer, granulator, plastcompactor system and ancillary equipment at a new facility in Mordialloc. The project will increase post-consumer mixed-soft plastic reprocessing capacity, and produce a stone aggregate replacement, Polyrock.	\$300,000.00
Repurpose It	Best practice in-vessel composting infrastructure for Melbourne's metropolitan region	Funding to design, construct and establish five in-vessel composting tunnels capable of diverting 50,000 tonnes of FOGO from landfill.	\$1,780,000.00
Tambo Waste	Tambo Waste MRF Upgrade & Glass Recycling Operation	Tambo Waste's Materials Recovery Facility in Bairnsdale will be upgraded with new plastics and paper recycling equipment and infrastructure, and establish a glass recycling facility.	\$84,377.75
Visy Industries Australia Pty Ltd Head Office VIC	Project Zepplin	The project will install advanced Drum Pulping technology for integrated paper recycling for 95,000tpa of mixed kerbside paper.	\$5,825,000.00
Wangaratta Rural City Council	Wangaratta - Organics Expansion to 12,000 Tonne	The Wangaratta Council will increase its facilities' processing capacities and enable the council to accept organics from neighbouring councils and businesses.	\$328,445.17
Wheelie Waste	Wheelie Waste – Warrnambool Recycling Facility	To construct a Recycling Facility located in Warrnambool. The facility's purpose is to separate glass from kerbside commingled material, before decontaminating and crushing it to meet offtaker market demands and installing equipment that enables the baling of paper and plastic for transport.	\$50,000.00

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Australian Consolidated Milk Pty Ltd	Project Whey2go	The recipient will purchase, construct and commission a bioenergy facility at their dairy processing plant to convert wasted cheese from production process to produce biogas which will then be converted into electricity to run the dairy manufacturing plant.	\$690,000.00
Central Highlands Water Corporation	Feasibility Study into Converting Forestry Residue to a Fuel Source	The recipient investigated the viability of reusing forestry residues from their pine plantations as a biomass product for a range of potential uses including heat and electricity generation.	\$50,000.00
Corangamite Shire Council	Organics Processing (Pyrolysis) Feasibility Study	Corangamite Shire Council is undertaking a feasibility and technical study to assess the viability of pyrolysis technology for generating bioenergy and biochar end-products from the regions green waste and FOGO waste.	\$18,000.00
Dairy Australia Limited	Assessing co- digestion opportunities from animal industry feedstocks in regional areas	The recipient will identify opportunities within Victoria for the development of bioenergy projects based on co-digestion of problematic waste streams from the dairy, red meat, pork and chicken industries.	\$65,000.00
Delorean Energy Pty Ltd	Victoria One Stanhope	The recipient will gather and validate feedstock formulation data from their waste to energy facility at Stanhope, Victoria. The facility will use anaerobic digestion technology to process typical organic waste feedstocks including under-utilised feedstocks like industrial organics.	\$4,000.00
Eco Recyclers Pty Ltd	Transforming low value biomass into high value biomass	The recipient will determine the feasibility of commoditising Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste timber into a high value biomass for use in energy recovery.	\$15,000.00
FHAH Pty Ltd	BIO ENERGY PROJECTS Feasibility Flavorite Group	Funding is provided to investigate the use of biomass at their Tatura site and biomass replacement feedstock at their Mansfield site and reduce reliance on natural gas grid infrastructure.	\$49,334.00
Frontier Carbon Pty Ltd	Mildura Biorefinery and Renewable Energy Park	The recipient will complete the pre-construction development activities to progress the Mildura Biorefinery Renewable Energy Park project to a successful Final Investment Decision phase and start into the construction phase.	\$10,000.00
Gekko Systems	Central Highlands Bioenergy Hub - Feasibility Study	The recipient will determine the feasibility of building a Regional Bioenergy Hub utilising anaerobic digestion (AD) at a medium scale within regional Victoria and will provide a positive business case for AD as a suitable waste-to-energy solution.	\$5,000.00
Golden Camel Mining Pty Ltd	Nagambie Biogas Project	The recipient undertook a feasibility study relating to the proposed Anaerobic Digestion facility to provide 1 - 2 MW 'behind the meter' base load power to a minerals processing facility that is currently being built in Nagambie.	\$25,000.00
Goulburn Valley Water	Project GREAT (Green Energy and Technology) for Goulburn Valley	The recipient is undertaking feasibility study to transition the Shepparton Wastewater Management Facility to a green energy technology hub, delivering local energy resilience and nutrient recycling.	\$5,000.00
Katunga Fresh Produce Pty Ltd	Northern Victoria Bioenergy Project	The funding is for Katunga Fresh Pty Ltd to install and commission a pyrolysis plant that will allow them to transform its organic waste, large square bales of wheat straw into biochar, hot water, wood vinegar and clean fuel gas which will assist with the heating and daily running of the glasshouses and excess natural gas being returned into the grid.	\$550,000.00

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LMS Energy Pty	LMS Dry Anaerobic Digesters: Modular organics and energy recovery solutions	Funding to construct and commission a dry anaerobic digestion facility, at the existing Wyndham Refuse Disposal Facility. It will recover biogas from organic material with excess energy exported to the grid for the local community.	\$10,000.00
Max Biocare Pty Ltd	Fungi in BioEnergy	The recipient will develop a business case for the generation of fungal enzymes for recalcitrant agricultural waste treatment, while mitigating waste streams and integrating with circular economy programs.	\$18,000.00
Mornington Peninsula Shire Council	Green Wedge Agricultural and Commercial Food Organics Recovery to Bioenergy	The recipient undertook a feasibility study to map and quantify agricultural and commercial food organic waste streams, from within the green wedge rural zone, and current materials flow and processing.	\$24,000.00
Orbost and District Chamber of Commerce & Industry Inc.	Orbost and district bioenergy investigation opportunity	The recipient undertook a pre-feasibility study of feedstocks and bioenergy options in and near the township, conducting basic biochemical testing on the major feedstocks and proposing potential project sites.	\$31,334.00
Oztek Holdings Pty Ltd	WWTP (Waste Water Treatment Plant) Upgrade - Biogas Energy Recovery System	The recipient will develop a covered anaerobic lagoon for their biodiesel plant and rendering plant that processes meat by-products. The lagoon will rejuvenate an existing covered anaerobic lagoon to double site biogas production which will be converted to heat and electricity. This was the first payment for grant valued at \$591,983.	\$10,000.00
RMIT University	Waste cooking oil to biodiesel with 3D printed catalysts	The funding supports a research study to develop a portable and scalable solution for converting waste cooking oil to biodiesel utilizing an additively manufactured (3D printed) catalytic reactor.	\$113,334.00
Saputo Dairy Australia Pty Ltd	Allansford biogas combined heat and power	The recipient will recover the natural gas configured microturbines and have them modified to run on biogas. Funding is also provided for the purchase and installation of heat recovery units on the turbine exhausts. The installed Heat Recovery Unit will provide electricity to the Allansford cheese and whey plant and heat to the anaerobic digester.	\$200,000.00
Tempo Foods	Hart Bioenergy - Distributed Biogas System Demonstration	Funding for a feasibility study and business case to assess the organic waste streams at Tempo Foods and the design of a small-scale anaerobic digestion system to convert the dairy manufacturing waste to renewable biogas. This project will reduce Tempo's reliance on natural gas for hot water.	\$31,300.00
Union Pastoral Pty Ltd	Union Methane Reduction Strategy	The recipient will install anaerobic pond coverings to capture biogas at their dairy processing plant at Grassmere. The captured biogas from the organic animal effluent will be used to create electricity for their operations using a combined heat and power generation plant.	\$10,000.00
Westernport Water	Waste to Energy - Biogas Cogeneration	Funding to undertake a feasibility assessment for the viability of a waste-to-energy cogeneration facility at Westernport Water's Cowes Wastewater Treatment Plant.	\$33,887.55
Yarra Valley Water Corporation	Waste To Energy Lilydale	The purpose of this project is to install and commission anaerobic digestion equipment at Yarra Valley Water's Lilydale sewage treatment plant. The project will process approximately 54,000t/a of commercial/industrial food waste to power itself and the co-located Sewage Treatment Plant with around 75% of the bioenergy being injected into the grid.	\$560,000.00
Yarra Valley Water Corporation	ReWaste Additional Engine Design Works	Funding for development of a feasibility study and business case for investment into additional electricity generation infrastructure at Yarra Valley Water's bioenergy facility in Wollert. It will capture its full renewable energy generation potential from the excess biogas which is currently being flared.	\$7,000.00
		TOTAL	\$17,526,769.45

## **Kerbside Reform**

#### **DEECA**

The objective of this project is to oversee the implementation of the plan and reform of Victoria's kerbside recycling services, ensuring actions delivered are aligned with the overall vision to improve the State's recycling processes to maximise the diversion of recyclable material from landfill and improve the value of recycled materials.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
28 Victorian Councils and 1 Alpine resort	Household recycling reforms	Funding provided to 28 Victorian councils and 1 Alpine resort to support the transition to the new four-stream kerbside household waste and recycling system.	\$6,982,851.00
Alpine Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	This project will include upgrades to Porepunkah, Myrtleford and Mount Beauty transfer stations, enabling residents to divert FOGO and improve recycling separation through the collection of separated glass. Works include construction of retaining walls, hardstands and associated infrastructure. The project also includes purchase of 240L bins and installation of signage.	\$67,126.00
Bass Coast Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	This project will upgrade four publicly accessible waste facilities and introduce a mobile glass collection station to enable separated glass collection. The community and environment will benefit with cleaner beaches and open spaces. It will provide residents with greater incentives to divert waste from landfill and separate recyclables.	\$28,948.40
Campaspe Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	Provision of 12x 12m3 lidded hook-lift skips to enable glass drop off across eight Resource Recovery Centres and FOGO drop off at Echuca and Mt Scobie Resource Recovery Centres.	\$37,777.80
Corangamite Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	The project will allow the collection of glass for recycling at six transfer stations within the Corangamite Shire: Skipton, Derrinallum, Naroghid, Simpson, Timboon and Port Campbell. These sites require earthworks, new slabs and retaining walls to accommodate new bin heights, and other modifications to provide infrastructure that will enable the safe collection, storage and transport of glass. Food organics signage will be also be procured to support the implementation of a food waste drop off service across five transfer stations where the service is currently not provided.	\$9,979.00
Greater Bendigo City Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	Provision of nineteen skip bins and associated equipment at nineteen glass disposal sites across the Municipality, plus one additional skip bin as a 'swap-out' bin. The twenty skip bins will be custom made to suit glass collection purposes and each skip bin will have six openings. Project locations have been chosen to ensure ease and equality of access to all residents within the Shire boundary.	\$63,704.00
Horsham Rural City Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	This project will establish collection points across the municipality to manage the additional waste streams of glass and organics. Infrastructure upgrades include the installation of new skips/bins, construction of two new rural drop-off points, construction of concrete hardstands with retaining walls and concrete jersey barriers to hold unprocessed organics.	\$92,600.00
Loddon Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	This project will deliver essential infrastructure upgrades to Loddon Shire Council's waste facilities to provide publicly accessible drop off points for separated glass and food organics and garden organics recycling. This includes earthworks, other modifications and the installation of concrete hardstands at Wedderburn, Inglewood and Dingee transfer stations and Boort, Pyramid Hill and Newbridge landfill/Resource Recovery Centres.	\$19,537.59

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Moorabool Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	This project will facilitate improvements to increase glass and organics capture across the municipality through upgrades at Bacchus Marsh, Ballan and Mount Egerton transfer stations. Works include providing sheltered hardstands for the new glass and organics stream drop off points. The project also includes communal glass drop off points across the municipality.	\$57,404.22
Moyne Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	This project will initiate a glass collection service at all eight transfer stations operated by Moyne Shire. This involves the provision of hardstand/concrete areas and frontlift skip bins to be emptied on a dedicated glassonly collection point.	\$4,914.60
Murrindindi Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	Project includes upgrades at Yea, Alexandra, Marysville, Kinglake and Eildon Resource Recovery centres. All five sites will secure a terrain bin lifter and 8m3 lidded skip for glass collection. Additionally, sites were upgraded with retaining walls and hardstands to facilitate separate collection of glass and FOGO drop off service.	\$2,475.15
Southern Grampians Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	To upgrade all eight Southern Grampians Shire Transfer Stations to allow drop off points for FOGO and glass. This will benefit residents without access to a kerbside service, create a clean stream of glass and will remove organic waste from landfill.	\$38,802.60
South Gippsland Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 1	This project will construct concreted areas at council's six transfer stations, purchase low-line hook lift bins for the collection and transport of glass, upgrade hardstand areas for the separate collection, recycling of food waste and install signage at each site.	\$58,699.80
Greater Geelong City Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	The project aims to upgrade two transfer station facilities providing households in the City of Greater Geelong and residents from neighbouring councils with improved access to glass and food organics dropoff services. Project upgrade includes purchase of receival bins and signage and delineation. This will increase the recovery of materials and improve the quality of recyclables collected.	\$6,025.00
Buloke Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	This project aims to modify existing transfer station infrastructure in Birchip, Wycheproof, Sea Lake, Charlton and Donald sites to include glass drop-off points at these five sites. The project will also enable the provision of FOGO drop-off points in the future.	\$156,840.92
Hepburn Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	The project aims to upgrade the Creswick, Daylesford and Trentham transfer stations to include drop off points for both glass and food organics and garden organics. The upgrades will ensure all residents in the Shire have access to services for disposal of glass and food organics and garden organics material. Upgrades include dedicated glass and FOGO drop off areas on concrete hardstands with signage and retaining walls.	\$247,128.77
Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC)	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	Project aims to introduce FOGO drop off area at Kyneton transfer station. MRSC has 1,533 residential properties without kerbside bins. These residential properties have access to a glass, comingled recycling and general waste service through the transfer stations. The upgrades through this project will provide FOGO drop-off access at the transfer station for these rural residents.	\$35,793.52
Mansfield Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	The project aims to build a 30m by 15m shelter with equivalent concrete area for Glass and Food Organics along with existing Garden Organics drop off service.  Other items include wayfinding/bin requirement signages also community safety and exclusion boundary infrastructure. The proposed drop off facility will be located at the Mansfield Council Resource Recovery Centre.	\$236,644.59

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Strathbogie Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	The project aims to expand current offerings at Strathbogie Shire Council's existing Nagambie and Avenel Transfer Stations by installing two new FOGO bin bays with hardstand floors, retaining walls and barriers. The upgrades will provide access to FOGO recycling to rural residents without access to a kerbside FOGO service.	\$271,800.00
Swan Hill Rural City Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	The Project aims to provide remotely located rural households without kerbside service with access to drop-off points for glass and FOGO waste streams through upgraded transfer stations. This project will include fabrication of steel bin corals to contain mobile wheelie bins onsite at the rural transfer stations. Each site will utilise 4 x double bin corals which will provide a storage for Glass and for FOGO. Bin corals will include signage to identify the acceptable waste type and the Bin's will have appropriately coloured lids.	\$29,956.75
Towong Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	The project aims to provide public facilities and modify infrastructure at resource recovery centres to enable the collection of glass and FOGO for recycling outside the kerbside collection areas. This will be achieved by upgrading two existing Resource Recovery centres with dedicated glass and FOGO drop-off areas, and introducing new glass drop-off points at five drop-off recycling stations.	\$211,600.00
West Wimmera Shire Council	Transfer Station Upgrade Fund - Round 2	The project aims to establish seven community glass drop-off collection points and upgrade seven existing transfer stations to enable glass collection. This will be achieved by constructing concrete hardstands, purchasing bins for the sites and installing signage. The project also seeks to provide a Mobile Glass Collection Station to the community as a facility for recycling management at events and for outlying areas of the Shire. The aim of the project is to improve glass recycling infrastructure in the Shire and to improve public access to recycling facilities.	\$28,241.16
		TOTAL	\$8,688,850.87

## **Market Acceleration Program**

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The Market Acceleration Package includes utilising a range of market interventions and incentives to address current and potential market failures for priority recycled materials (plastics, paper, cardboard, glass and tyres) across the economy. It will develop and deliver projects to identify new domestic, commercial, and industrial uses and build demand.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Monash University	National Environmental Science Program 2 Sustainable Communities and Waste Hub Impact Priority 3.03	The project conducts testing of two end-products made with reprocessed tyre material, that have been manufactured and sold within Australia, for chemicals of potential concern.	\$31,818.18
Australian Recycling Taskforce Pty Ltd	Commercialise high end insulation products from reprocessed textile waste	This project will determine the characteristics of V-Lap-produced material (a technology the enables reprocessing of fibrous materials) to inform industry and the marketplace of the availability of the product, the characteristics and benefits of the material, and its appropriate uses in product manufacture.	\$60,000.00

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Cardboard Mill Pty Ltd	Arts and Culture: Let's close the loop.	This project aims to make cardboard a viable medium to be used in the use of movie and TV sets, and fit outs of stores and short term (less than 6 months) sites. The objective is to commercialise an existing demand for cardboard for temporary installations and reduce the use of high environment cost construction materials.	\$113,640.00
Central Goldfields Shire Council	Carisbrook Transfer Station Pavement Upgrade	The funding will be used to resurface the sealed granular pavement in the vicinity of the general waste bins at the Central Goldfields Shire Council transfer station located at Carisbrook near Maryborough. The new concrete pavement will contain concrete, sand from recycled glass and if possible, a component of the recycled aggregate to provide a stronger, more durable surface.	\$13,309.71
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	CSIRO - Improved recycling of Unplasticised polyvinyl chloride (uPVC)	The project will develop material specifications for uPVC recyclate with PVC compounders and manufacturers and develop a prototype device that will analyse the composition of PVC recyclate and determine what compounds need to be added to a particular input blend to achieve an output that meets the developed standard.	\$50,000.00
Deakin University - Waurn Ponds Campus	Deakin - Recycling Polypropylene Waste for High Value Applications	The objective of this project is to maximise the amount of recycled Polypropylene Plastic (PP) that can be incorporated into Gale Pacific's existing product the 'Landmark polyfabric'. Deakin University will conduct testing and evaluation to determine the maximum amount of recycled PP that can be used without adversely impacting the final product.	\$127,500.00
Deakin University - Waurn Ponds Campus	Particles derived from textile wastes for sustainable coloration of products	The recipient will investigate and demonstrate the production and use of particles from natural/synthetic/blended fibre textile waste, segregated by colour, in a range of applications including for printing/colouring textiles, vegan leather, and to create art.	\$195,000.00
Deakin University - Waurn Ponds Campus	Transforming Contaminated Paint Containers into Value Added Products	This project will develop simple, innovative processing methods to produce functional, economically viable product prototypes from post-consumer polypropylene paint containers.	\$172,000.00
Horsham Rural City Council	Wimmera Riverfront Activation - a sustainable approach	The recipient will install a new asphalt shared path, outdoor furniture, bin surrounds, picnic settings and permeable surface containing recycled materials at the southern end of Firebrace Street in Horsham.	\$12,225.00
La Trobe University	Product assessment of a novel plastic waste recycling technology	The project will complete research to validate the potential of Rtec novel plastic melting technology, including product design, and performance trials of difficult-to-recycle post-consumer plastic waste.	\$45,000.00
Mildura Rural City Council	Mildura Riverfront Precinct – Car Parking Scheme	The recipient will extend the existing off street car park at Mildura's Jaycee Park and construct pathways as part of the Powerhouse Precinct Redevelopment. The construction of the car park will use recycled asphalt and the construction of a paved pathway will incorporate recycled glass.	\$71,000.00
Monash Institute of Railway Technology (Monash IRT)	Monash IRT - Development of Next Generation Tram Stop Platforms Using Recycled Materials	The project will develop reinforced recycled plastic modular platform elements for tram stop platforms.	\$100,000.00
Monash Institute of Railway Technology (Monash IRT)	Monash IRT – next generation composite plastic railway sleeper for mainline rail application.	To complete product research to develop the next generation advanced composite plastic railway sleeper suitable for concrete sleeper replacement in mainline railway networks in Victoria. The aim by the end of the project is to have developed, laboratory tested and validated the new composite railway sleeper product which will be ready to commercialise and take to market.	\$100,000.00

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Monash Institute of Railway Technology (Monash IRT)	Waste Plastics Detour - Landfills to Innovate Plastic Pavement Blocks	To develop modular pavement blocks using recycled plastic materials collected from household kerbside waste, with potential applications in transport infrastructure as well as in commercial and residential constructions.	\$100,000.00
OmniGrip Direct Pty Ltd	Certifications for high-friction recycled-glass surfaces to reduce crashes	This project will prepare and register an Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) for the product and a Social Procurement Plan for Omnigrip and its high-friction surface, comprising a post-consumer recycled-glass blended aggregate.	\$18,000.00
Polymeric Powders Company Pty Ltd	Production and commercial evaluation of new upcycled car speed humps.	The project will focus on the production, demonstration and commercial evaluation of car speed humps made from recycled rubber and tyre material.	\$9,858.00
Porous Lane Pty Ltd	Waste Tyre Permeable Pavement, Commercialisation Support for a Victorian Innovation	This project aims to progress the recipient's Waste Tyre Permeable Pavement product into large-scale infrastructure and private development markets through financial, economic, market and life cycle analysis.	\$40,000.00
PV Industries Pty Ltd	Validating a new commercial pathway for solar panel glass	PV Industries are establishing a pilot plant in Victoria which demonstrates a viable process to recover the glass from solar panels. PV Industries will test the recovered glass to inform process design and validate its use in non-structural concrete applications against VicRoads specifications.	\$180,000.00
RCALLAN Pty Ltd	On-line continuous paper strength measurement	This project seeks to finalise development, test and identify potential users for a non-destructive, continuous measure of paper strength. By controlling quality continuously, it is intended that recycled content can be increased in existing paper products while still meeting quality and performance requirements.	\$30,000.00
RMIT University	RMIT - Novel Recycled Plastic Products for Structural Applications	Developing roof purlins and panels for roof infrastructure using recycled materials as sustainable alternatives to steel and aluminium products.	\$100,000.00
RMIT University	RMIT - Recycled cardboard trusses for housing construction	Relevant research, construction and testing of a recycled cardboard truss. This proof-of-concept design and application will be tested to Australian Standard loading conditions in the laboratory and evaluated by industry partners with practical application to case study sites.	\$25,584.00
RMIT University	RMIT - Re-qualifying cardboard waste to develop light-weight precast concrete structures	Develop a low carbon concrete containing pre-treated cardboard waste as partial replacement for natural coarse and fine aggregates. This mix-design will be developed for adoption in a light and efficient precast wall panel system which is capable of being used in multi-unit residential and commercial constructions.	\$87,788.38
RMIT University	Manufactured Novel Concrete products integrating Reclaimed Waste for Commercial Applications	This project aims to develop, demonstrate and test concrete roof tiles, precast acoustic barrier panels and concrete bricks made using upcycled textile, papercardboard, and waste glass.	\$239,983.00
RMIT University	Upcycling plastic waste into graphene for boosting solar cell performances	RMIT will partner with a Victorian plastic recycler, EQ Plastics, to develop a technology to transform unsorted plastic waste into a product that can be used to boost the energy efficiency of solar panels.	\$200,000.00
Robovoid Pty Ltd	Commercialisation of novel ROBOVOID solution for concrete applications	Demonstration, business development and marketing for Robovoid's patented recycled plastic void former system. Void formers are used to fill non-working areas and create voids in concrete foundations, beams and slabs.	\$180,000.00

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Sequence Digital Pty Ltd	New life for resource recovery centre harvested Lithium- ion batteries	Sequence Digital Pty Ltd will develop a proof-of-concept, scalable Li-ion battery management system (BMS), designed for use with discarded 18650 batteries (type of batteries). The BMS will be powering and will be charged by a temperature monitoring device currently manufactured by Sequence Digital.	\$20,000.00
Swinburne University of Technology	Converting Used Tyres to Road Safety Roller Barrier: Technology Development	This project will develop a technology to use ground tyre rubbers (GTR) in manufacturing ethylene vinyl acetate (EVA)-based road safety roller barriers.	\$125,000.00
Swinburne University of Technology	Swinburne - Composite spacers from recycled plastics and rubber	This project will develop a new process for recycling polystyrene with tyre crumbs to manufacture pod spacers for concrete applications.	\$100,000.00
Swinburne University of Technology	Swinburne - Injection Moulding of Reinforced Recycled Plastics for Innovative Bedding Solutions	The project will explore new applications for utilisation of recycled plastics in innovative bedding solutions, including frames and mattresses.	\$25,000.00
University of Melbourne	Educational Institution Post- Consumer Plastic Packaging to Additive Manufacturing	Melbourne University will develop a process to support onsite recycling of the educational institutions own plastic waste back into valuable 3D printing filament.	\$80,000.00
University of Melbourne	Innovative advanced catalytic microwave pyrolysis for recycling polystyrene waste	To develop a new, low-cost, low-energy catalytic microwave pyrolysis (LCMP) process to recover styrene monomer from polystyrene waste, the precursor material for producing polystyrene.	\$60,000.00
University of Melbourne	Waste Tyre Permeable Kerbs; Design, Testing and Field Monitoring	The project will focus on the demonstration and performance monitoring of the waste tyre permeable kerb and channel system (physical barrier between road and surrounding landscape) as well as assessment of the suitability for use in large scale carparks.	\$200,000.00
Victoria University	Used textile and cardboard fibres as reinforcing-agents in structural concrete	The project aims to develop research-grade fibre- reinforced concrete beams from used synthetic textile and pre-treated cardboard fibres.	\$130,000.00
Victoria University	Victoria University - Recycled Material Blends to Backfill Sewer Trenches in Trafficable Areas	To develop recycled material mix-designs for backfilling excavated trenches in "trafficable areas".	\$37,145.15
Blampied Kooroocherang Land Care Group Inc	Blampied Kooroocheang Land Care Group agricultural compost utilisation trial	Purchase of a shared compost spreader to enable small farmers in the Landcare Group to utilise recycled organics. The grant will also fund five on-farm demonstration trials.	\$18,000.00
Burdett Sands Pty Ltd	Compost 360 to enhance sports precincts	Purchase of the suitable equipment to develop a finer grade of compost that will be suitable to blend with current turf sands supplied to Melbourne's sporting grounds and public open spaces.	\$25,000.00
Camperdown Compost Company	Camperdown Compost Marketing Development	Develop a 36 month marketing plan, and implement the first six months thereof, to improve confidence in recycled organic products. Farmers can network and learn from each other through having open days at the compost site.	\$7,000.00

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Camperdown Compost Company	Camperdown Compost Site Upgrade Stage 2	Upgrade of existing facilities which will allow for testing and documentation to ensure quality, consistent and low contamination compost is produced. Works support product promotion and outreach, improving the confidence in recycled organic products in the agricultural community.	\$43,750.00
Cirque Du Soil	Cirque du Soil's GrowGood Fertiliser: A hyperlocal food waste agri-product	Using controlled plant growth experiments, this proposed research will vigorously test the effectiveness of the WasteMaster (WM) product as a plant fertiliser in plant growth trials. WM technology converts food waste on site into a reusable residue without using water or additives.	\$97,554.75
Eco Guardians Pty Ltd	Eco Guardians SoilFood™ Processing Plant	Procurement and installation of equipment to manufacture SoilFood, a new product created from rapidly dehydrated food waste. A detailed marketing plan will be developed and initial feedback from end markets will be collected.	\$100,000.00
Elmore Compost & Organics Pty Ltd	Deep soil amelioration research and demonstration promotional program	This project will fine tune the novel practice of subsoil amelioration with recycled organics (including biochar) and promote the results to grow markets for this product.	\$29,000.00
Elmore Compost & Organics Pty Ltd	Expansion of Elmore Compost & Organics Facility	This project will expand capacity at Elmore Compost & Organics facility from a small farm-based operation to a commercial EPA (Victoria) licensed site. Decontamination equipment will also be installed to improve capabilities and product quality.	\$168,465.00
Environment Protection Authority (EPA) Victoria Head Office	Markets Acceleration through sampling (MATS)	The primary purpose of the project is to support human, soil, water, and environmental health, by collaborating with industry to provide robust evidence and better practices to support education, innovation, investment and market growth in recycled organic materials and products.	\$130,200.81
Gaia EnviroTech Pty Ltd	Commercializing FOGO and other organic waste using anaerobic digestion	The recipient will work with RMIT and Federation University to identify the commercial potential of anaerobic digestate (microorganisms break down biodegradable material in the absence of oxygen). This will lead to expanding the commercial potential of the energy produced by the treatment of food waste and demonstrate a viable processing/treatment system for Food Organics Garden Organics waste streams.	\$40,000.00
Greenchip Recycling	Carbon Pellet Soil Improver Project	Greenchip Recycling will upgrade their composting facility to incorporate a compost pelletiser to make their product more accessible for broadacre agriculture.	\$44,800.00
Heathcote WineGrowers Association	Turning green waste into wine	Purchase shared compost application equipment for the Heathcote Winegrowers Association to overcome a barrier to adoption of recycled organics.	\$198,000.00
Jesuit Social Services Limited	Merri-bek Organic Waste Composting Pilot Program	This pilot program will collect grass clippings from six designated Moreland Council sites that currently go to landfill. The results will be used to inform a business case for a council-wide scale up of the recycling project.	\$55,000.00
Melbourne Water Corporation	Enhancing uptake of composted recycled green waste in Victorian vineyards	Undertake on-farm demonstration trial to compare the use of different mulch (small particle vs coarse composted urban green waste) in two vineyards.	\$10,000.00
Pinegro Products Pty Ltd	Pinegro Decontamination Equipment - Windsifter	Installation of a windsifter machine to remove >90% of the plastics, rocks, glass etc. from the oversized organic waste. This will enable the manufacture of a clean organic mulch that can also be ground and screened into quality saleable products.	\$166,294.00

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Plant Micropath Consulting Services	Quantifying Mineralisation and Biological Status from Organic Amendments and Soil	This project seeks to understand the rate that crop nutrients are released from compost in various farming systems. This knowledge will help farmers adopt recycled organics as a farm input.	\$130,500.00
Plant Micropath Consulting Services	Quantifying Mineralisation and Biological Status from Organic Amendments and Soil - Trial Extension	Continue the on-farm recycled organics trial on pasture for an additional year. Collect soil and plant data for use to grow markets.	\$4,000.00
Rentiers Machinery Pty Ltd	Accelerating Adoption of Recycled Organics through Subsoil Amelioration in Agriculture	This project seeks to overcome barriers to the adoption of subsoil amelioration with recycled organics. These barriers include required machinery innovations, agronomic knowledge and local organics supply chains.	\$115,000.00
Resilience Farming	Receival and storage bunkers	Concrete bunkers will be installed to enable the incorporation of additional feedstocks to produce compost more suitable for the horticulture market. Vegetable growers will be engaged via field day to increase product uptake.	\$11,200.00
Sacyr Environment Australia Pty Ltd	Sacyr's Compost Facility Upgrade in Dandenong	The project is to re-engineer the FOGO pre-processing line to improve decontamination of FOGO. The project aims to increase circularity and reduce re-processing and land-filling of outputs.	\$730,051.36
The Trustee for the Total Viticulture Solutions Trust	TVS - Agriculture Compost Market Expansion	The project will update the existing equipment with the aim to increase efficiencies up to 70%, decreasing the cost of compost and mulch products to the end users.	\$40,000.00
Upper Goulburn Landcare Network	A home for Alexandra soil food	A community compost project that aims to overcome current and unforeseen obstacles to make the organic waste product financially viable. The intended outcome is to create a market for both Soil Food and worm castings.	\$14,300.00
Quantum Recycling Solutions	Quantum Recycling Plant Upgrade	Quantum Recycling Solutions will purchase, install and commission machinery, which will enable the expansion of existing operations to recycle and reprocess e-waste and associated packaging.	\$10,375.00
		TOTAL	\$5,268,342.34

## **MEEF Supporting Victorians through Energy Transition**

#### **DEECA**

The purpose of Maintaining Essential Energy Functions (MEEF) is to support delivery of core energy functions to ensure government can maintain a safe, secure, reliable and affordable energy system for Victorians. Specifically, this project relates to the MEEF objective to support Victorians through the energy transition.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
L.O.L. Consultants Pty Ltd (Volta Rocks)	Energy Market Ready Grants Program - Volta Rocks	Volta Rocks received the grant for an app to provide data-driven recommendations for energy-saving measures tailored to users' needs and energy usage patterns. It will drive the adoption of renewable energy sources, clean transportation options, and energy-efficient upgrades making it easy for a customer to identify potential solutions.	\$50,000.00
REO PTY LTD (n0de)	Energy Market Ready Grants Program - nOde Net Zero Rapid Activator MVP	nOde received a grant to develop their Net Zero Transformation Platform proof of concept using Internet of Things energy and control data, market and weather Application Programming Interfaces, and their net zero solution dataset. It enables energy and carbon visualisation, dynamic electrification investment planning, demand-shaped renewable energy matching, and schedule optimisation to align demand with renewable energy generation.	\$25,000.00
Energy Umpire Pty Ltd	Energy Market Ready Grants Program - Energy Umpire Renewable Ready Tariffs	Energy Umpire will launch a novel tariff analysis and switching product, transitioning customers to a time-of-use "solar soaker" tariff (marketing name 'renewable ready tariff').	\$25,000.00
Jon Knight (BuzzBay)	Energy Market Ready Grants Program - BuzzBay Pilot	BuzzBay received a grant to develop a new software integration platform for their prototype EV charger. The software will enable BuzzBay to install the charger at a trial site, a small business located in Gippsland, for further testing and improvement.	\$50,000.00
		TOTAL	\$150,000.00

## Microgrids Smart Trials (Microgrid Demonstration Initiative)

#### **DEECA**

The Microgrid Smart Trials program aims to facilitate innovative, market driven commercial microgrid demonstration projects to enable lower energy costs, more reliable power and reduced emissions to support Victoria's transition to a low carbon economy. The projects are developed by or include a wide set of relevant stakeholders.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Gippsland Climate Change Network Incorporated	Agricultural demonstration of floating solar	This project installed 50kW of floating solar on a dam at Lardner Park. This will be used to demonstrate the use of floating solar in agriculture reducing water loss due to evaporation.	\$120,000.00
The Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation	Nyauwi Mutjeka EV transition project	The grant allowed for purchase of an electric vehicle to be branded with the Nyauwi Mutjeka design (by Djaara artist Daikota Nelson). It will provide visual evidence of Djaara's leadership, serving as a vital resource and conversation starter for other aspects of the Strategy's renewable energy program that operationalises Nyauwi Mutjeka.	\$75,000.00

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Earthworker Energy Manufacturing Cooperative	Earthworker Energy Emergency Portable Renewable Energy Systems	This grant enabled the design and testing of three pilot portable renewable energy systems comprised of solar and battery storage for the replacement of large diesel generators in emergency response settings. The pilot energy systems will be able to provide safe, portable, reliable, clean and quiet power for disaster management operations.	\$25,770.00
		TOTAL	\$220,770.00

# Non-Regulatory Support for Landfill Ban

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The objective of this program is to provide non-regulatory support for the implementation of Victoria's electronic waste (e-waste) landfill ban.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
City of Melton	E-waste Infrastructure Upgrade - Melton Recycling Facility	Upgrade of e-waste collection and storage infrastructure at Melton Recycling Facility. This will provide reasonable access to the Victorian community to safe e-waste disposal points of an agreed standard and enable compliance with new regulatory requirements specifying how e-waste must be managed.	\$100,000.00
CRDC Victoria Pty Ltd	CRDC Vic - E-waste and Mixed Plastic Resin8 project	Investment in an e-waste plastic and mixed (soft and hard) plastics processing plant to produce RESIN8 - a lightweight aggregate alternative for use in concrete mixes.	\$500,000.00
Envirostream	Electrolyte Management in Rechargeable Battery Recycling	Investment in new infrastructure to safely recycle increased volumes of mixed batteries and expand capacity to process lithium-ion batteries by 300 tpa at Envirostream's Victorian facility.	\$33,953.80
Mitchell Shire Council	E-waste Infrastructure Upgrade - Mitchell Shire Council - Seymour Resource Recovery Facility	Upgrade of e-waste collection and storage infrastructure at Seymour Resource Recovery Facility.	\$70,000.00
Resource Pty Ltd	Low Grade E-waste Processing	Investment in a new low grade e-waste processing plant for sorting and size reduction and storage infrastructure for incoming e-waste, resulting in viable commodities ready for end markets.	\$140,000.00
Scipher Technologies Pty Ltd	Scipher Technologies Plastics and Mixed Metal Fractions Recovery Project	Installation and commission of a multi-sensor sorting system for mixed contaminated plastics and course metal fractions, generated from pre-processing of e-waste at Scipher Technologies' processing facility in Dandenong.	\$39,000.00
		TOTAL	\$882,953.80

## **Protecting Biodiversity 2021-25**

#### **DEECA**

This program aims to: link biodiversity, science and decision support systems to ensure effective investment, prioritisation, awareness and support for communities to deliver biodiversity outcomes; implementation of frameworks that guide coordinated investment in monitoring and research to address priority knowledge gaps; improved decision making and reporting; increased participation of Victorians in biodiversity management and collaboration through the establishment of Biodiversity Response Planning; and, support implementation of Victoria's Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2017–2020.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation	Monmar (Point Nepean) White- Footed Dunnart Monitoring and Feral Predator Control	Monitoring program to asses the density/distribution of White-Footed Dunnart, and a feral predator control (cat trapping).	\$67,000.00
Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation	Spirit Officer 2023-2025 - Bunurong Land Council	Employment of a Wildlife Officer at Bunurong.	\$150,000.00
Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Corporation	Protecting and enhancing Gunditjmara Bocara Woorowarook Mirring (River Forest Country) - Landscape Pig & Goat Control Project	This project addresses the major threat feral pigs and goats pose to biodiversity in Victoria, the natural environment and cultural heritage, specifically on public land in South West Victoria.	\$333,000.00
Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Corporation	Caring for Gunditjmara Woorowarook Mirring (Forest Country) - Landscape Woody Weed Control Project	This project is removing wild pines and other woody transformer weeds to restore overall forest health to Stringybark woodlands and heathlands in South Western Victoria. Brown Stringybark seeds are a critical food source for the Endangered South Eastern Red-tail Black Cockatoo and restoring their habitat means they and other rare and endemic species can continue to exist into the future.	\$280,000.00
DJANDAK	Healing Mt Buckrabunyule: invasive weed control	The project aims to remove the very large amounts of Wheel Cactus, a difficult and spiny noxious weed, which is currently preventing access to this important cultural site.	\$100,000.00
DJANDAK	Improved management of transformer weeds of Dja Dja Wurrung, Barapa Barapa, Wemba Wemba and Yorta Yorta Countries in the Northern Plains	Four Traditional Owner groups - Dja Dja Wurrung, Barapa Barapa, Wemba Wemba and Yorta Yorta - are working together to prioritise weed control to protect culturally important sites from Wheel Cactus and African Boxthorn, including sites with high biodiversity, across the northern plains of Victoria. This will also assist in improving self-determination and capacity building for Traditional Owners in managing Country.	\$350,000.00
Duduroa Dhargal Aboriginal Corporation	Traditional Land Management of Ryans Lagoon Wetlands	The funding supported traditional land management, onground training and cultural workshops.	\$72,000.00
Eastern Maar Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (Registered Native Title Body Corporate)	Spirit Officer 2023-2025 - Eastern Maar	Employment of a Spirit Officer at Eastern Marr.	\$200,000.00

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Gunaikurnai Land & Waters Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (Registered Native Title Body Corporate)	Spirit Officer 2023-2025 - GLaWAC	Employment of a Spirit Officer at GLaWAC.	\$200,000.00
Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (Registered Native Title Body Corporate)	Spirit Officer 2023-2025 - Gunditj Mirring	Employment of a Spirit Officer at Gunditj Mirring who is supporting cultural heritage, values assessments marine spatial planning.	\$200,000.00
Mallee Catchment Management Authority	Ned's Corner	Co-led by Mallee CMA and First People of the Millewa-Mallee Aboriginal Corporation (FPMMAC), this project will deliver cat, fox, rabbit and weed control programs within 20,000ha of priority habitat in Neds Corner Station conservation reserve in far north-western Victoria. Mallee CMA, First People of the Millewa-Mallee Aboriginal Corporation and Trust for Nature will partner in this project to enhance conditions and connectivity for biodiversity.	\$330,000.00
Wadawurrung Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation	Murrk Ngubitj Yarram Yaluk Regeneration	This project will support actions to protect biodiversity as part of a broader program to create 30 hectares of environmental and public open space at Murrk Ngubitj Yarram Yaluk (meaning "head waters of continuous flowing river" in Wadawurrung language), Barwon Waters former Bellarine Basin site.	\$111,250.00
Wadawurrung Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation	Spirit Officer 2023-2025 - Wadawurrung	Employment of a Spirit Officer at Wadawurrung.	\$50,000.00
Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation	Spirit Officer 2023-2025 - Wurundjeri	Employment of a Totem Officer and for habitat restoration works at Nangenala site.	\$200,000.00
Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation	Wurundjeri Woi- wurrung Nature Fund Caring for Country	Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation (WWCHAC) will apply Traditional Cultural practices to care for Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Country on their Nunganala property in Healesville. This project will provide an opportunity for WWCHACs Narrap Rangers to practice and share traditional land management knowledge and restore this important part of Wurundjeri Country.	\$75,000.00
Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation	Spirit Officer 2023-2025 - Yorta Yorta	Employment of a Spirit Officer at Yorta Yorta.	\$200,000.00
Glenelg Hopkins Catchment Management Authority	Saving 17 threatened species on the Victorian Volcanic Plain	The project aims to enhance 350 hectares of Natural Temperate Grasslands in the Victorian Volcanic Plain (VVP), Western Victoria. By establishing a seed production area and re-introduction program, it seeks to improve the trajectory of 17 threatened and culturally significant species, including the Button Wrinklewort (Endangered), Hoary Sunray (Critically Endangered), and the Derrinallum Billy-Button (Endangered), ultimately enhancing population numbers and site quality.	\$113,750.00

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Glenelg Hopkins Catchment Management Authority	Reversing decline of the critically endangered Southern Bent-wing Bat	The project aims to reverse the decline in critically endangered species in the Portland area. The focus will be on improving 375-hectares of Southern Bent-Wing Bat (Critically Endangered) foraging habitat and other direct species interventions. The project will protect and improve high biodiversity remnants and the habitat of other critically endangered species.	\$167,500.00
Mallee Catchment Management Authority	Eastern Murray protecting biodiversity project	This project aims to reduce the impact of key threatening processes, caused by pigs, goats and foxes, within 90,000ha of priority habitat (public land) to enhance condition and connectivity for biodiversity outcomes. The project will improve habitat for more than 100 native species (including EPBC and/or FFG listed Regent Parrot, Australian Painted Snipe, Murray-Darling Carpet Python, and Riverine Chenopod Woodland communities), across Hattah/Annuello and Robinvale to Nyah regions.	\$203,500.00
North Central Catchment Management Authority	Small Fish, Big Impact: Securing Four Threatened Wetland Fish in Northern Vic	The project will reintroduce Olive Perchlet (Flora and Fauna Guarantee extinct) into Northwest Victoria; establish double the number of known populations of Environment Protection Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC Act) Critically Endangered flat-headed galaxias in Northeast Victoria; undertake habitat restoration, conservation stocking, and translocations of Southern Pygmy Perch (Vulnerable) and Southern Purple Spotted Gudgeon (Critically Endangered); and undertake research to improve species reintroductions.	\$78,750.00
North Central Catchment Management Authority	Establishing wetland sites for threatened small-bodied fish	In collaboration with Barapa Barapa Traditional Owners, this project will assess habitats and conduct fish surveys to identify three suitable wetlands as surrogate habitats for threatened small-bodied fish. The wetlands will then be revegetated with aquatic plants and equipped with instream habitat structures (timber and brush piles). After completion, the project will translocate threatened fish to these restored wetlands.	\$3,000.00
North East Catchment Management Authority	Bringing back the Maccas to Livingstone Creek	This project will restore habitat for the endangered Macquarie Perch ("Maccas"), a large-bodied native fish within the Murray Darling Basin. Habitat restoration will support the long-term resilience of the species by creating conditions suitable for both spawning and the survival of newly recruited fish. The project will also support selective harvesting of adult broodfish for captive breeding efforts and surveying to better understand the population of Maccas.	\$240,488.00
Wild Research Pty Ltd (auspiced by Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority)	Securing Spotted Tree Frogs and co-occurring native freshwater fauna	The project will create a safe haven for the Spotted Tree Frog and other co-occurring native freshwater fauna from non-native predatory fish. Will also help establish a Spotted Tree Frog captive conservation breeding program that can support future reintroduction and population augmentation recovery activities for the species.	\$107,250.00
Melbourne University	Restoring golden kelp forests on rocky reefs in Port Phillip Bay	Funding is to support a project aiming to address the expansion of urchin barrens, resulting from overgrazing of seaweed by urchins in Port Phillip Bay in recent years, by restoring golden kelp forests on rocky reefs in the bay.	\$326,770.00
Mornington Peninsula and Western Port Biosphere Reserve Foundation Ltd	Western Port Blue Carbon Planning Project	Partnering with Mornington Peninsula and Western Port Biosphere Reserve Foundation Ltd , the project will build on research already undertaken along Victoria's coastline to identify how future ecosystem management could optimise carbon sequestration (capture) and storage. The funding will be used to design, plan, and prioritise on-ground works.	\$250,000.00

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Bush Heritage Australia	Reconnecting Central Victoria through strategic property acquisition	Bush Heritage seeks to purchase a 159ha property which connects two existing reserves. This purchase would support a core active strategy to create a corridor connecting Dalyenong Nature Conservation Reserve in the east and Kara Kara National Park in the west, improving habitat connectivity for native species.	\$10,000.00
Central Victorian Biolinks Alliance Inc	Spring Plains Watershed Repair	Demonstration project which will apply a combination of innovative ecological restoration techniques to a 138-hectare catchment that is a hot spot for the endangered Swift Parrot, to re-set the damaged forest so that it can recover ecological health and better withstand the impacts of climate change.	\$33,000.00
Connecting Country (Mount Alexander Region) Inc.	Habitat connectivity for phascogales in central Victoria	Project supports Brush-Tailed Phascogale by creating and promoting habitat stepping-stones in a degraded landscape. Project will fence and revegetate 25x25 m blocks around large old trees, protecting potential nest sites and providing stepping-stones for habitat connectivity. An education event and volunteer nest box monitoring will engage community members.	\$50,400.00
Moogji Aboriginal Council East Gippsland Inc	Lower Snowy River Symplocos Protection and Reintroduction	Project will protect known locations of Fauna and Flora Guarantee Act listed Critically Endangered Symplocos thwaitesii (buff hazelwood) on the lower reaches of the Snowy River through protection measures such as deer fencing and weed removal and commence searching for seed and take cuttings from known populations and commence propagation to relocate into fire effected areas.	\$45,000.00
Odonata Foundation Ltd	Widgewah Conservation Reserve Expansion	Widgewah Conservation Reserve is a 90-hectare section of a property in Avenel, Victoria, with a predator proof fence that is preparing to welcome its first group of Southern Brush-Tail Rock-Wallaby (Critically Endangered). Widgewah is managed by Odonata and with the land-owners we are working towards expanding the sanctuary to 421-hectares.	\$240,000.00
Phillip Island Nature Park Board of Management Inc	Building our Conservation Dog Team for an Island Ark	This project aims to strengthen the Feral Cat Management Program at Phillip Island Nature Park by recruiting and training a Feral Cat Detection Dog- Handler, increasing their capacity to quickly respond to feral cat sightings.	\$10,000.00
The Trustee for Nature Glenelg Trust	Expanding Walker Swamp: a large- scale habitat restoration demonstration site	Providing a safe-haven for the future release of threatened mammals to supplement existing wild populations within 50,000 ha of connected habitat.	\$515,000.00
Threatened Species Conservancy Inc.	Crucial steps to save Australia most unique and threatened butterfly community	This project will deliver conservation actions for threatened invertebrate communities in the Goulburn-Broken Catchment near Broadford. Continuing on from a four-year recovery program for the threatened Small and Large Ant-Blue Butterflies (Endangered) and "Butterfly Community No. 1", the project will implement key actions including habitat restoration activities, continued research and monitoring, community engagement and continue captive breeding investigation efforts.	\$47,500.00
Wetland Revival Trust	Drought-proofing threatened species on the Lower Loddon floodplain at Wirra-lo	The Northern Victorian "Wirra-Lo" project aims to secure a 180-HA property for ecological restoration. Project includes weed and pest control, revegetation, and hydrology restoration. The goal is to create and protect essential habitat for Fauna and Flora Guarantee Act listed species, including Growling Grass Frog, Grey-Crowned Babbler (Vulnerable), Southern Purple Spotted Gudgeon, Australasian Bittern, Ridged Water Milfoil and Stiff Groundsel (critically endangered). Collaboration with TOs and Wetland Revival Trust is part of the long-term vision, with indigenous rangers managing the site.	\$89,000.00

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DEECA Barwon South West	Cross-tenure landscape scale invasive species threat management across Budj Bim cultural heritage landscape	This project will continue to implement a cross-tenure, landscape scale approach to invasive species management across the Budj Bim cultural landscape based upon effective leadership, coordinated partnerships, and community engagement and education.	\$192,598.00
DEECA Gippsland	Gippsland wild deer control	This project will continue to reduce the impacts of deer on recovering Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act listed vegetation communities at highest-priority sites within or adjacent to the 2019-20 bushfire footprint.	\$340,000.00
DEECA Gippsland	Upper Snowy pest animal control	This project will continue to deliver on-ground shooting and baiting activities to reduce the impact of introduced pest animals on the survival, and recovery of, critical national and state threatened fauna, especially where predation has the potential to expedite localised extinction.	\$39,500.00
DEECA Gippsland	Southern Ark fox baiting - extension	This project will continue to minimise the impact of introduced foxes on threatened species within the Southern Ark footprint.	\$170,000.00
DEECA Gippsland	Weed control in Gippsland's rainforest areas	This project will continue to reduce post-fire weed threats in high priority Rainforest Sites of Significance to a point where only occasional monitoring is required to identify new weeds or weeds that have regenerated because of new disturbance. This project will also continue to treat all sites to Weeds at the Early Stage of Invasion to reach a zero detectable presence and establish control at new sites.	\$105,000.00
DEECA Gippsland	Restoring Country through cross tenure integrated pest animal control - Holey Plains- Mullungdung- Stradbroke	Co-led by DEECA Gippsland and Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation (GLaWAC), this project will deliver fox control and monitoring in the Mullungdung landscape which supports the largest remnant of Gippsland Plains Bioregion Plains Grassy Forest and Heathy Woodland. This is the start of a plan to rewild this area with lost species and to develop a safe haven to introduce native species under future climate change scenarios.	\$190,400.00
DEECA Hume	Barry Mountains expanded fox control	This project will continue to maintain and build upon past and existing works through delivery of a sustained, coordinated, and strategic approach to fox control in the expanded Barry Mountains Great Dividing Range area.	\$230,000.00
DEECA Hume	Feral pig control within the Ovens District	This cross-tenure feral pig control and community engagement program aims to reduce impacts on threatened flora and fauna, and culturally significant sites in Chiltern Mt Pilot National Park, Baranduda Regional Park, Stanley, Mt Big Ben and Mt Jack State Forest areas within DEECA Hume Region Ovens District.	\$180,000.00
DEECA Gippsland	Eastern Victoria landscape feral pig project	This project will continue to control, reduce, and prevent further westerly spread, of the feral pig population.	\$250,000.00
Parks Victoria	Gariwerd (Grampians) Landscape herbivore management	This project is controlling deer and goats across the Gariwerd-Grampians National Park, and Black Range State Park, which have a significant and detrimental impact on the integrity of biodiversity values though over-browsing of native flora and trampling of vegetation and waterways, damage to the soil, trees and habitat, in the unique Gariwerd landscape.	\$545,400.00
Parks Victoria	Protecting and enhancing biodiversity in North-western Victorian Parks	This project will reduce rabbit and feral goat populations, remove feral pigs and treat invasive weeds in the Mallee landscape. This will give native trees and plants the chance to naturally regrow and recover, benefiting the wider ecosystem. The reduction in grazing pressure and impact of invasive species will protect perennial plant species, allowing native animals the opportunity to successfully breed in their preferred habitats.	\$1,023,805.00

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Parks Victoria	Protecting and enhancing the Barmah and Lower Goulburn Red Gum Forests, Wetlands and Floodplains	This project is reducing the impacts of goats and pigs along the lower reaches of the heritage listed Goulburn River and at the internationally significant Barmah Forest Ramsar site. Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation is a primary deliver partner with the project delivering some priority actions of the Joint Management Plan for Barmah National Park.	\$289,050.00
Parks Victoria	Managing feral pigs in the eastern borderlands	The Parks Victoria led feral pig control program is seeking to reduce the impacts of these invasive pest animals across a variety of alpine environments in Eastern Victoria. Through controlling feral pigs and the subsequent reduction of their natural behaviours including soil disturbance, trampling, grazing, and wallowing, sensitive ecosystems and high value biodiversity assets will have time to recover and prosper.	\$389,250.00
Parks Victoria	Managing the impacts of transformative coastal weeds in Far East Gippsland	This project will control high priority weed infestations and contain transforming weeds at a diverse suite of inlets, rocky headlands and isolated beaches of high ecological value on the Far East Gippsland coastline, including the Cape Howe Wilderness and Sandpatch Wilderness, Croajingolong National Park, Cape Conran Coastal Park, Marlo Coastal Reserve, Gabo Island Lighthouse Reserve and Pt Hicks Lighthouse Reserve.	\$108,068.00
Parks Victoria	Managing wild deer in Eastern Victoria	This project will continue to reduce localised abundance of introduced deer for the relief and recovery of critical habitat, vegetation and threatened fauna. Opportunistic ground shooting of predators (cats, foxes), herbivores (goats, feral cattle, rabbits) and omnivores (pigs) will also be undertaken within the activity area.	\$550,000.00
Parks Victoria	Feral horse management in the Victorian Alpine region	This project will continue to deliver on ground feral horse (herbivore) control and removal for the relief and recovery of critical habitat, Ecological Vegetation Classes and threatened fauna.	\$170,000.00
Parks Victoria	Collaborative Ox-eye Daisy control in the Victorian Alps	This project will continue to collaborate with land managers within the Victorian Alps area to search for and treat this weed species within fire affected areas and associated refugia of high biodiversity value for the protection of threatened flora and significant ecological vegetation communities.	\$150,000.00
Parks Victoria	Protecting habitat and biodiversity in Gariwerd (Grampians) from high-risk weeds	This project is controlling the invasive Sallow Wattle, which is threatening the future of native vegetation in Gariwerd-Grampians National Park by outcompeting with the many unique and localised flora species.	\$320,000.00
Parks Victoria	Protecting and enhancing biodiversity of the Wyperfeld-Big Desert landscape	This project will target the protection and enhancement of semi-arid woodlands, including Slender Cypress Pine & Buloke communities, and a diverse range of threatened flora and fauna, across 171,000 hectares in Wyperfeld National Park, Big Desert and adjacent State forests and conservation reserves. The project will focus on control of rabbits, feral goats, foxes and weeds.	\$365,000.00
Parks Victoria	Mornington Peninsula NP to Point Nepean NP Weed Project	This project aims to improve the quality of significant vegetation in Mornington Peninsula National Park and Point Nepean National Park by reducing existing pest plant infestations and combating new and emergent weeds.	\$158,900.00
Parks Victoria	Addressing the Major Mitchells Cockatoo habitat crisis: Restoring semi-arid woodlands	Project will restore ecosystem function in semi-arid woodlands and address the shortage of nest hollows for Major Mitchells Cockatoos and other threatened fauna by creating artificial hollows; reducing hollow competition and fire threats; and supporting the establishment and development of the next generation of nest trees through revegetation and grazer control.	\$136,750.00

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Parks Victoria	Fox Control in East Gippsland	This project will continue fox control to reduce predation of native species in Lake Tyers State Park and Providence Ponds Flora and Fauna Reserve. The project will also continue to support capacity building with Traditional Owners within the Joint Management Plans, under the Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010.	\$76,000.00
Parks Victoria	French Island Weed Project	This project aims to improve the quality of significant vegetation in the French Island National Park by reducing existing pest plant infestations and combating new and emergent weeds. Weed invasion is one of the greatest threats to conservation assets in these sites, including threatened faunal species and important habitat and native flora species in the Heathland, Dry Forest, Woodland and Coastal ecosystems.	\$237,500.00
Parks Victoria	Otway Biodiversity Protection	This project is helping to protect a range of threatened species including the Leafy Greenhood Orchid, Metallic Sun-Orchid, Swamp Antechinus and Long-nosed Potoroo. This is being achieved through undertaking weed control on a number of priority weed species including Sallow Wattle and Sweet Pittosporum, trapping of feral pig populations and fox control works. These works complement existing projects such as Otway Ark and Otway Eden.	\$466,000.00
Parks Victoria	Feral pig control in Eastern Victoria	This project will continue to reduce the impacts of feral pig behaviour such as soil disturbance, trampling, grazing and wallowing, in sensitive ecosystems and high value biodiversity areas.	\$225,000.00
Parks Victoria	Far East Eden invasive weed control	This invasive weed control project aims to implement recommendations from the Far East Eden Strategy. The Far East Eden area is in the south-east corner of Australia and is renowned for its wildlife and plant diversity.	\$100,000.00
Parks Victoria	Managing weeds in North East Victoria	This project will continue to search for and treat invasive weeds to protect threatened species habitat and the natural environment.	\$150,000.00
Parks Victoria	Wilsons Promontory National Park Integrated Pest Plant and Animal Control	This project at Wilsons Promontory National Park is continuing to deliver an integrated invasive species control program to reduce the impacts of introduced grazers, predators and weeds on the unique flora and fauna in the park, including threatened species.	\$736,000.00
Parks Victoria	Gunditjmara Stone, River, Forest and Sea Country: Protecting biodiversity with targeted weed control for healthy country	This project is a partnership led by Parks Victoria and Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation and supported by DEECA, to control high-risk weeds in the Glenelg coast, river, stony and forest country, in the most highly valued areas for biodiversity and cultural values.	\$284,000.00
Royal Botanic Gardens Board	Raising Rarity: Preventing the extinction of Victoria threatened flora	The project will use an integrated conservation framework to prevent extinction of 24 endangered Victorian plants. Framework includes (1) threat assessment and community surveys (2) seed and essential symbiont collections (3) genetic assessment to inform propagation (4) developing permanent ex-situ living collections (5) reintroductions using knowledge of suitable habitat and pollinator availability.	\$337,750.00
Zoos Victoria	Back from the brink; a future for Victoria threatened wildlife	Project will target key threatened species in Victoria (the Pookila, Watsons Tree Frog and Giant Burrowing Frog) where tangible, high impact conservation interventions can be enacted rapidly to drive conservation progress. The program involves recovery actions utilising a combination of translocations, ex situ breeding, wildlife health, community engagement and research investigations to advance knowledge.	\$361,250.00
		TOTAL	\$14,326,379.00

## Single Use Plastics Business Engagement

## **Sustainability Victoria**

The objectives of this program are to support Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA) with its regulatory obligations to develop legislation and assist in communicating the policy to priority stakeholders likely to be most affected, Support Victorian small to medium enterprises to implement avoidance and reusable solutions, and increase awareness of problematic single-use plastic (SUP) items and alternatives.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Billy van Creamy	Ice Cream RE- CONTAINED	Under this pilot project the funding will be used to source and procure re-usable take home containers for ice cream and collaborate with other reuse solution providers. Purchase custom, branded re-usable containers for ice cream, install signage, create online marketing collateral and other communication items.	\$23,554.12
Cercle Co Pty Ltd	Cercle Melbourne Pilot	This project will establish the Cercle reuse system at two major office buildings in Melbourne's central business district and target the removal of 240,000 disposable cups from landfill per year. The project will create an on-site washing facility that will wash Cercle's reusable assets for this project as well as future reusable systems.	\$5,000.00
Free to Feed	The round and round table	This project will enable Free to Feed to provide its catering in reusable and returnable packaging. Purchase containers, forks and postcard collateral. Produce a comprehensive evaluation report on the success of the pilot.	\$1,600.00
Huskee Pty Ltd	HuskeeSwap Collaboration with CoGround Social Enterprise	Deliver the HuskeeSwap system to reduce single-use coffee cups and lids. Purchase reusable HuskeeCups and lids, a commercial dishwasher, fund App development, and signage/marketing needs for the pilot project.  Produce a comprehensive evaluation report on the success of the pilot.	\$2,000.00
Infinity Sustainable Solutions	Sorrento Returnables pilot	The pilot project is to offer an innovative reusable food and beverage packaging solution to approximately 30 restaurants within the Sorrento area.	\$12,010.51
Investa Asset Management Pty Ltd	Eliminate SUP @ 567 Collins	This project will implement the Returnr Micropool reuse system for Investa Asset Management's 23 tenants at 567 Collins Street. Investa will purchase 23 Micropool sets to support 4600 users per month to switch from disposables to reusable items. This project will also test the impact of initiatives on an individual's willingness to use returnable containers.	\$3,860.00
Monash University	Monash University Ditch Disposables	Through the Monash University Ditch Disposables program, Monash University will promote and provide reusable solutions. Monash University will implement a centralised reusable crockery and cutlery system to support three food outlets at Clayton campus.	\$12,000.00
One Good Cup Pty Ltd	Reusable Coffee Cup Pilot with Barwon Health	OneGood Cup will provide reusable cups and software so that Barwon Health Staff (nurses, doctors, administrators etc) can easily reduce single-use coffee cups at work.	\$1,000.00
Responsible Cafes	Reuse program for single-use coffee cups and containers	Responsible Cafes has partnered with local councils and organizations to reduce waste from disposable coffee cups and food containers. Sixteen participating cafes will become accredited Responsible Cafes and receive reusable containers, coffee cups, lids, a resource pack, online visibility, and training to promote sustainability within their community.	\$5,000.00
Sandringham Traders Association	Village Zero Sandringham Plastic Free	Sandringham Traders Association will work with multiple partners to trial two systems to increase reusables in the Sandringham business precinct that has 34 food outlets. The first system will focus on encouraging customers to bring their own containers and the second a reusable container system using Returnr and Infinity Box (outlet utilise reusable containers).	\$3,200.00

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
The Corner Store Network Ltd	A double shot of good	A double shot of good is a 'borrow, return, wash' program by Corner Store Network to remove single-use takeaway coffee cups across its five venues entirely. This will be implemented in both the permanent cafes and across the mobile coffee van service.	\$30,000.00
The Cube Wodonga	Cube Reusable Cup project	Wodonga City Council will install a water bottle refill station, purchase reusable cups to replace all current single-use cups used at water, tea, and coffee stations. This project also includes purchasing reusable stemless wineglasses to replace plastic cups for large outdoor events, where glass cannot be used.	\$3,000.00
Untwine	ZeroTag - a passport for reuse systems	ZeroTag is a virtual, multimedia label, and a passport that can be used for different reuse systems. The dishwasher-safe sticker with a QR code can be applied onto any reusable container, and when scanned, shows the brand and product information in full-colour. Vendors update the label when consumers refill with them. Vendors can reward customers for avoiding waste, warn of expiry dates, and suggest when to restock.	\$5,000.00
		TOTAL	\$107,224.63

## Suburban Parks Program: DEECA Regions

This initiative provides for the creation, enhancement and connection of parks and green open spaces in our growing suburbs to benefit Victoria environmentally, socially and economically.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Banyule City Council	Waterdale Road Pocket Park and Shared Zone, Ivanhoe	The project will deliver a new pocket park and shared zone for passive recreation and socialising in the busy Ivanhoe shopping precinct. Features include: canopy trees, areas of soft landscaping, street furniture, feature paving, lighting, public art and various treatments to reduce traffic and vehicle speed.	\$325,000.00
Brimbank City Council	Sydenham Park, Keilor North	Delivery of park upgrades at Sydenham Park, Keilor North. Cycling and walking trails will be constructed to access scenic routes throughout the reserve.	\$75,000.00
Maribyrnong City Council	Birmingham Street Pocket Park, Yarraville	Delivery of a pocket park at Birmingham Street, Yarraville. The project will transform an existing closed street space into a new park. It will provide a green urban space for unstructured uses such as sitting, resting, gathering, informal play and connecting with nature.	\$259,414.25
Maribyrnong City Council	Lilardia Pocket Park, Footscray (previously named Warde and Whitehall Pocket Park).	Delivery of a pocket park at Warde and Whitehall St, Footscray. Located in an area lacking in openspace and with rapid population growth. Featuring open lawn areas, large canopy trees, garden beds, paved areas, street furniture (seating, bins, bike hoops) and informal play elements.	\$325,000.00
Melbourne City Council	Bedford Street Pocket Park, North Melbourne	Delivery of a pocket park at Bedford Street, North Melbourne. This project will increase open space provision for the local community with a focus on increasing greening and tree canopy and pedestrian and cyclist safety.	\$257,832.50
Melton City Council	Black Knight Way Reserve, Kurunjang	Delivery of park upgrades at Black Knight Way Reserve, Kurunjang. A new play and recreation space for all ages.	\$150,000.00
Moonee Valley City Council	Mount Alexander Road Triangle Pocket Park, Flemington	Delivery of a pocket park at Mount Alexander Road Triangle, Flemington. The transformation of a mechanic workshop into a green pocket park. Creating a new green open space that caters for passive recreation and gathering for the local community.	\$175,000.00

Recipient         Nome         Description         (\$)           Mornington Peninsula Shire Council         John Butler Reserve, Mount Eliza         255,000.00           Port Phillip City Council (City of Port Phillip)         Almo Park, St Kilda         Delivery of park upgrades at Alma Park, St Kilda East. The revitalisation will improve paths, making the park more a cressible. The project will improve safety, access and visibility across the site and better cater to local open space needs.         \$150,000.00           Port Phillip City Council (City of Port Phillip)         Moubray Street Pocket Park, Albert Park         The delivery and construction of a pocket park at Moubray Street, Albert Park This project includes formalisation of road closure and creation of new play space in front of the primary school with multiplayspaces, piention of road closure and creation of new play space in front of the primary school with multiplayspaces, pientic and seating area and enhanced pedestrian access.         \$100,000.00           Stonnington City Council (City of Stonnington)         Mouclif Pocket Park, Royong A regional play space that maximises accessibility and inclusiveness actering for people of all ages and abilities.         \$75,000.00           Stonnington Stonnington         Mouclif Pocket Park, Parkman (previously City of Stonnington)         Delivery of park upgrades at Sir Zelman Cowen Park, Royong A regional play space that maximises accessibility and inclusiveness actering for people of all ages and abilities.         \$75,000.00           Stonnington City Council (City of Stonnington)         Delivery of park upgrades at Sir Albert Tenthron. The purchase and conversion of t	Grant	Project	Project	Funding
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		Pocket Park,	Collingwood. Extending this popular local park in a precinct currently lacking in open space. The park's design is being community-led to meet the needs of local	\$325,000.00
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## **Suburban Parks Program: LEP**

This initiative provides for the creation, enhancement and connection of parks and green open spaces in our growing suburbs to benefit Victoria environmentally, socially and economically.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
City of Casey	Connecting to the Creek - Cardinia Creek Parklands Shared Path Development	The funding is used to design a new shared use path within the existing parts of Cardinia Creek Regional Parklands.	\$400,000.00
City of Kingston	Seaford Wetlands Rejuvenation Project - Construction of Shared Use Path	The grant used for planning and construction of a shared use path at Seaford Wetlands, as part of the Seaford Wetlands Rejuvenation project.	\$70,000.00
City of Whittlesea	Quarry Hills Regional Parklands	The grant was used for development of Future Directions Plan addressing future vision and legacy of the Parkland area in line with Traditional Owner and community values and the establishment new paths within the Parkland.	\$432,000.00
Frankston City Council	Seaford Wetlands Rejuvenation	The funding was used for Bridge construction over Kananook Creek and development of plan for the upgrades of signage and facilities at Seaford Wetlands.	\$1,870,000.00
Hume City Council	Jackson's Creek Parkland Plan	The funding was used for the development of the Future Directions Plan for the Jacksons Creek Regional Parkland to address future vision and legacy of the Parkland area in line with Traditional Owner and community values.  Additional planning also undertaken for Emu Bottom Wetlands by Hume City Council within the Parkland area.	\$18,500.00
Merri Creek Management Committee	Upper Merri Creek Regional Parkland - Aligning Merri Signage	The grants was used for the upgrades to signage within marram baba Merri Creek Regional Parklands.	\$80,000.00
Parks Victoria	Three New Parks Clean up and Establishment	This grant allows Parks Victoria to continue to clean-up acquired land at the sites of three large new parks (Kororoit Creek Regional Park, Werribee Township Regional Park and Clyde Regional Park).	\$5,850,000.00
Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation	Galada Tamboore Weed Treatment and Ecological Restoration Works	The funding used to complete ecological and revegetation works at galada tamboore reserve, within the marram baba Merri Creek Regional Parklands.	\$30,000.00
Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation	Upper Merri Creek Cultural Values Study	Development of a Position Statement Report for marram baba Merri Creek Regional Parklands prepared by Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation, to guide the development of the Future Directions Plan and all future works in the marram baba Merri Creek Regional Parklands area.	\$29,600.00
		TOTAL	\$8,780,100.00

## **Supporting Charities**

#### **DEECA**

The objectives of this project are to reduce some of the financial impact of illegal dumping on charitable recyclers by providing partial immediate financial relief for charitable recycling organisations. It allows supporting charitable recyclers during a time of unstable resource recovery markets at a time when the charitable sector is facing increasing cost pressures.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
National Association of Charitable Recycling Organisations (NACRO)	Supporting Charities Program	The Supporting Charities Program provides relief to charities for a portion of their costs of dealing with illegal dumping or inappropriate donations, and works with charities to reduce the incidence of illegal dumping. The grant funding is distributed to National Association of Charitable Recycling Organisations (trading as Charitable Recycling Australia) who then distribute money to individual charities.	\$1,634,000.00
		TOTAL	\$1,634,000.00

## **Victorian Coastal Monitoring Program**

#### **DEECA**

The aim of the Victorian Coastal Monitoring Program (VCMP) is to provide communities with information on coastal conditions, changes, hazards, and the expected impacts associated with climate change that will facilitate evidence-based decision making.

Grant Recipient	Project Name	Project Description	Funding (\$)
Deakin University	Victorian Coastal Monitoring Program 2023-24, Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems	Project led by Deakin University involves monitoring wave dominated shorelines to undertake informed coastal adaptation planning and investment. The grant allowed for the purchase of drones used for coastal monitoring.	\$35,000
		TOTAL	\$35,000