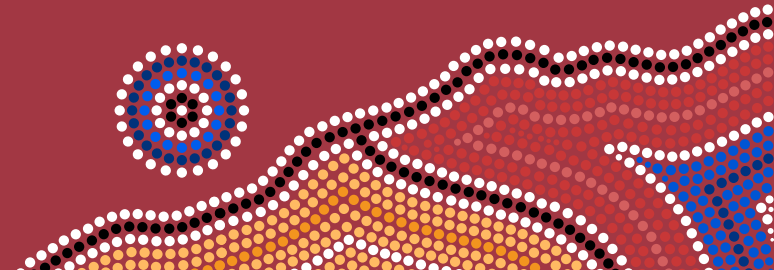


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ABORIGINAL ORGANISATIONS

Local office	Early childhood / family	Bubup Wilam Aboriginal Child and Family Centre	76 Main Street, Thomastown VIC 3074	03 8459 4800	https://bubupwilam.org.au	Aboriginal community-controlled early learning, kindergarten, family support, cultural learning and community programs for children and families.	City of Whittlesea and surrounding north	www.maggolee.org.au/lga/whittlesea
Local office	Primary health / wellbeing	First Peoples' Health and Wellbeing – Thomastown Clinic	258 Settlement Road, Thomastown VIC 3074	03 9070 8181	www.fphw.org.au	Aboriginal-led, culturally safe primary health care; GP, nursing, allied health, mental health and wellbeing support.	Whittlesea and northern Melbourne	www.laurenkathage.com.au/getting-involved-in-your-local-community/aboriginal-torres-strait-islander-support-services
Local office	Health / family / wellbeing	Victorian Aboriginal Health Service – Epping	The Hub, Showroom 15, 560–650 High Street, Epping VIC 3076	03 8592 3920	www.vahs.org.au	Aboriginal community-controlled health and wellbeing services; local program mix should be confirmed directly, including family, children's and health supports.	Whittlesea and northern Melbourne	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Local program/site	Men / family violence / healing	Dardi Munwurro – Mernda programs	Mernda VIC 3754	1800 435 799	www.dardimunwurro.com.au	Aboriginal men's healing, behaviour change, family violence support, leadership, mentoring, camps and Brother to Brother crisis support.	Whittlesea and Victoria	www.maggolee.org.au/lga/whittlesea
Local office	Stolen Generations / healing	Connecting Home	Unit 1, 10 Childs Road, Epping VIC 3076	03 8679 0777	https://connectinghome.org.au	Culturally safe support for Stolen Generations survivors and families, including case support, healing, records and family tracing referrals.	South-eastern Australia; local Epping office	www.laurenkathage.com.au/getting-involved-in-your-local-community/aboriginal-torres-strait-islander-support-services

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Local program / site	Landcare / employment / youth	Nugal Biik Rangers – Whittlesea Community Connections	Wollert Community Farm, Wollert VIC; administration at Pacific Epping	03 9401 6666	www.whittleseacommunityconnections.org.au/community-services/indigenous-programs-and-support-services	First Nations-led Caring for Country, adult and junior ranger activities, conservation training, cultural activities, employment pathways and community engagement.	City of Whittlesea and neighbouring LGAs	www.whittleseacommunityconnections.org.au/community-services/indigenous-programs-and-support-services
Local cultural authority	Traditional Owner / cultural heritage	Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation	Level 1, Providence Building, Abbotsford Convent, 1 St Heliers Street, Abbotsford VIC 3067	03 9416 2905	www.wurundjeri.com.au	Traditional Owner representation, cultural heritage, Country and culture programs, cultural consultations, education and land management.	Wurundjeri Country, including most of City of Whittlesea	www.maggolee.org.au/lga/whittlesea
Traditional Owner authority	Traditional Owner / cultural heritage	Taungurung Land and Waters Council	37 High Street, Broadford VIC 3658	03 5784 1433	https://taungurung.com.au	Registered Aboriginal Party and Traditional Owner services for northern parts of the municipality, including cultural heritage, Country and community programs.	Wandong, Heathcote Junction, Clonbinane, Flowerdale and relevant Taungurung Country	www.laurenkathage.com.au/getting-involved-in-your-local-community/aboriginal-torres-strait-islander-support-services
Nearby office	Children / families / kinship	Victorian Aboriginal Child and Community Agency (VACCA) – Northern Region	340 Bell Street, Preston VIC 3072	03 9287 8800	www.vacca.org	Family services, child and family support, kinship and foster care, cultural programs, youth justice, family violence and homelessness programs.	Northern Melbourne including Whittlesea	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby office	Legal	Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS)	273 High Street, Preston VIC 3072	03 9418 5999	www.vals.org.au	Criminal, civil and family law assistance; youth legal services; custody notification; advocacy and community legal education.	Victoria statewide, including Whittlesea	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby office	Housing / tenancy	Aboriginal Housing Victoria	125–127 Scotchmer Street, Fitzroy North VIC 3068	03 9403 2100	https://ahvic.org.au	Aboriginal housing, tenancy management, housing applications, advocacy, homelessness pathways and related support.	Victoria statewide, including Whittlesea	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby office	Family violence / legal / women	Djirra	292 Hoddle Street, Abbotsford VIC 3067	1800 105 303	https://djirra.org.au	Culturally safe family violence support, legal services, case management, counselling and programs for Aboriginal women and their children.	Victoria statewide, including Whittlesea	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service

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Nearby office	AOD / homelessness / family	Ngwala Willumbong Aboriginal Corporation	93 Wellington Street, St Kilda VIC 3182	03 9510 3233	www.ngwala.org.au	Alcohol and other drug treatment, residential and outreach services, homelessness support, family services, justice and wellbeing programs.	Victoria statewide, including Whittlesea	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby office	Community / sport / youth	Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Ltd (VACSAL)	496 High Street, Northcote VIC 3070	03 9416 4266	www.vacsal.org.au	Community support, youth and family programs, sport and recreation, cultural activities, justice and social wellbeing programs.	Victoria statewide; strong northern Melbourne access	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby office	Education	Victorian Aboriginal Education Association Inc. (VAEI)	144 Westbourne Grove, Northcote VIC 3070	03 9481 0800	www.vaeai.org.au	Statewide Aboriginal education advocacy, Koorie education networks, early years, schools, VET and higher education support and resources.	Victoria statewide, including Whittlesea	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby office	Elders / aged care	Aboriginal Community Elders Services	5 Parkview Avenue, East Brunswick VIC 3057	03 9383 4244	www.acesinc.org.au	Aboriginal aged care, residential care, planned activity groups, meals, community support and Elders programs.	Melbourne metropolitan, including eligible Whittlesea residents	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby office	Community / culture	Aborigines Advancement League	2 Watt Street, Thornbury VIC 3071	03 9480 7777	https://aal.org.au	Community, cultural, social support and advocacy; venue and community activities.	Melbourne metropolitan	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby service	Youth / sport / recreation	Melbourne Aboriginal Youth Sport and Recreation Co-operative (MAYSAR)	184 Gertrude Street, Fitzroy VIC 3065	03 9416 4255		Youth, sport, recreation and community activities for Aboriginal young people.	Melbourne metropolitan	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Statewide service	Family violence / men	Dardi Munwurro – Brother to Brother	Statewide phone service	1800 435 799	www.dardimunwurro.com.au	24/7 Aboriginal men's crisis line and specialist family violence, healing and behaviour-change support.	Victoria statewide	www.dardimunwurro.com.au
Statewide service	Mental health / crisis	13YARN	Telephone and online service	13 92 76	www.13yarn.org.au	24/7 crisis support line staffed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander crisis supporters.	Australia-wide	www.13yarn.org.au
Statewide service	Social and emotional wellbeing	Yarning SafeNStrong	Telephone service	1800 959 563	www.vahs.org.au/yarning-safenstrong	Free and confidential Aboriginal social and emotional wellbeing helpline and support.	Victoria statewide	www.vahs.org.au/yarning-safenstrong

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Statewide service	Disability	First Peoples Disability Network Australia	Telephone / online service	02 9267 4195	https://fpdn.org.au	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander disability advocacy, information and systemic support.	Australia-wide	https://fpdn.org.au
Statewide service	LGBTIQA+ / wellbeing	Koorie Pride Victoria	Melbourne / statewide		https://koriepridevictoria.org.au	Community connection, advocacy, events and support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTIQA+ people.	Victoria statewide	https://koriepridevictoria.org.au
Statewide service	Stolen Generations / healing	The Healing Foundation	Telephone / online service	02 6272 7500	https://healingfoundation.org.au	Healing resources and support pathways for Stolen Generations survivors, descendants and communities.	Australia-wide	https://healingfoundation.org.au
Statewide service	Hostel / accommodation	Aboriginal Hostels Limited – William T Onus Hostel	75 Westgarth Street, Northcote VIC 3070	03 9036 4510	www.ahl.gov.au	Short-stay accommodation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people travelling for health, education, employment or other reasons.	National service; local Northcote hostel	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service

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Local office	Hospital / patient support	Northern Health Aboriginal Support Unit	185 Cooper Street, Epping VIC 3076	03 8405 8591	www.nh.org.au/service/aboriginal-support	Aboriginal liaison, cultural and practical support for Aboriginal patients and families using Northern Health services; assistance navigating hospital care.	Northern Health catchment including Whittlesea	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Local service	Maternal and child health	Deadly Boorais and Deadly Families – City of Whittlesea	Delivered locally, including Bubup Wilam and home/ community settings	0418 604 717	www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/Services/Support-for-people/Aboriginal-community/Deadly-Boorais-and-Deadly-Families-Program	Culturally safe maternal and child health, developmental checks, parenting support, home visits and referrals for Aboriginal families.	City of Whittlesea	www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/Services/Support-for-people/Aboriginal-community/Deadly-Boorais-and-Deadly-Families-Program
Local office	Community support / employment / youth	Whittlesea Community Connections – Aboriginal Programs and Support Services	Level 1, Tenancy 1B, Pacific Epping, 571–583 High Street, Epping VIC 3076	03 9401 6666	www.whittleseacommunityconnections.org.au/community-services/indigenous-programs-and-support-services	Aboriginal engagement, family orientation and referrals, youth activities, work readiness, mentoring, sponsorship support and cultural workshops.	City of Whittlesea and neighbouring LGAs	www.whittleseacommunityconnections.org.au/community-services/indigenous-programs-and-support-services

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Local facility	Culture / community / wellbeing	City of Whittlesea Aboriginal Gathering Place	bunjil nganga Parkland, Quarry Hills, South Morang / Mernda area VIC	03 9217 2170	www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/About-us/Projects/Completed-projects/Aboriginal-Gathering-Place	Culturally safe gathering, cultural and social activities, storytelling, knowledge sharing, education, wellbeing programs and service access.	City of Whittlesea	www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/About-us/Projects/Completed-projects/Aboriginal-Gathering-Place
Local office	Council liaison / referrals	City of Whittlesea – Aboriginal Community Development and Liaison	25 Ferres Boulevard, South Morang VIC 3752	03 9217 2170	www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/Services/Support-for-people/Aboriginal-community	Council Aboriginal liaison, community engagement, referral information, events, planning, grants and implementation of Aboriginal community strategies.	City of Whittlesea	www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/Services/Support-for-people/Aboriginal-community
Local / regional service	Community health	DPV Health – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support	Multiple local sites including Mill Park, Epping and Whittlesea Township	1300 234 263	www.dpvhealth.org.au	Primary and community health, dental, allied health, mental health, disability, family violence and social support; ask for Aboriginal access or culturally safe support.	Northern Melbourne including Whittlesea	www.dpvhealth.org.au
Nearby office	Youth mental health	headspace Greensborough	Level 1, 78 Main Street, Greensborough VIC 3088	03 9433 7200	https://headspace.org.au/headspace-centres/greensborough	Free or low-cost mental health, AOD, physical and sexual health, vocational support for young people; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people can request culturally safe support.	Banyule, Nillumbik, Whittlesea and surrounds	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Regional service	Youth mental health	headspace Plenty Valley	Northern Melbourne / check current site	03 9433 7200	https://headspace.org.au	Youth mental health, health, AOD and work/study support; service access for young Aboriginal people.	Whittlesea and northern Melbourne	https://headspace.org.au
Nearby hospital	Women / maternity	Mercy Hospital for Women – Aboriginal Hospital Liaison	163 Studley Road, Heidelberg VIC 3084	03 8458 4393	www.mercyhealth.com.au	Cultural and practical support for Aboriginal women, babies and families accessing maternity, neonatal and women's health services.	Northern and eastern Melbourne including Whittlesea	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Major hospital service	Children / family health	Royal Children's Hospital – Wadja Aboriginal Family Place	50 Flemington Road, Parkville VIC 3052	03 9345 5901	www.rch.org.au/wadja	Aboriginal liaison, family support, care coordination, cultural support and advocacy for Aboriginal children and families at the Royal Children's Hospital.	Victoria statewide referrals	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service

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Major hospital service	Women / maternity	Royal Women's Hospital – Badjurr-Bulok Wilam	20 Flemington Road, Parkville VIC 3052	03 8345 3047	www.thewomens.org.au	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and families' place; liaison, maternity, social work, cultural and practical support.	Victoria statewide referrals	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Major hospital service	Hospital / patient support	St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne – Aboriginal Health Unit	41 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy VIC 3065	03 9231 3436	www.svhm.org.au	Aboriginal health liaison, patient advocacy, cultural support, discharge and referral assistance.	Victoria / metropolitan referrals	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Regional service	AOD / rehabilitation	Odyssey House Victoria – Lower Plenty Therapeutic Community	28 Bonds Road, Lower Plenty VIC 3093	03 9420 7610	www.odyssey.org.au	Residential alcohol and other drug treatment; ask about Aboriginal-specific, culturally safe and family supports.	Victoria, accessible to Whittlesea residents	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Nearby service	Homelessness / mental health	Wadamba Wilam – Neami National	305 Arthur Street, Fairfield VIC 3078	03 9481 0323	www.neaminational.org.au/find-services/wadamba-wilam-renew-shelter	Aboriginal-focused homelessness, accommodation and mental health recovery support.	Northern Melbourne including Whittlesea referrals	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Regional service	Legal / community law	Northern Community Legal Centre	Northern Melbourne sites; check appointment location	03 9310 4376	www.northernclc.org.au	Free legal advice and casework; ask for Aboriginal cultural safety, family violence, tenancy, fines and civil law support.	Hume, Merri-bek and Mitchell; some programs may cover Whittlesea	www.northernclc.org.au
Nearby service	Legal / community law	Fitzroy Legal Service – Darebin office	279 Spring Street, Reservoir VIC 3073	03 9484 7753	www.fls.org.au	Community legal advice, family violence and social justice services; can refer Aboriginal clients to specialist services.	Darebin and northern Melbourne; eligibility varies	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Statewide service	Family violence	Safe Steps Family Violence Response Centre	Telephone / statewide service	1800 015 188	www.safesteps.org.au	24/7 family violence crisis response, risk assessment, safety planning, accommodation pathways and referrals; Aboriginal callers may request culturally appropriate services.	Victoria statewide	www.safesteps.org.au
Statewide service	Sexual assault / family violence	1800RESPECT	Telephone and online service	1800 737 732	www.1800respect.org.au	24/7 counselling, information and referrals for sexual assault, domestic and family violence; interpreter and accessibility options.	Australia-wide	www.1800respect.org.au

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Government / local	Child protection	DFFH Child Protection – North Division	Regional service; contact by phone	1300 598 521	https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/child-protection-contacts	Child protection intake for Whittlesea; Aboriginal children and families should be connected with Aboriginal Child Specialist Advice and Support and Aboriginal Community Controlled services where applicable.	Whittlesea LGA	https://services.dffh.vic.gov.au/child-protection-contacts
Government / regional	Education	Department of Education – Koorie Education Support	North-West Victoria Region; contact through local school or regional office	1800 338 663	www.vic.gov.au/koorie-education	Koorie Education Support Officers, Koorie engagement, school participation support, cultural inclusion and pathways for Aboriginal students and families.	Whittlesea schools	www.vic.gov.au/koorie-education
Government / statewide	Employment	Workforce Australia – Indigenous employment support	Local providers and online service	1800 805 260	www.workforceaustralia.gov.au	Employment services, job search support, training and specialist Indigenous employment services through contracted providers.	Whittlesea and Australia-wide	www.workforceaustralia.gov.au
Government / statewide	Income support / access	Services Australia – Indigenous Access Line	Telephone service	1800 136 380	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/indigenous-access-line	Support with Centrelink, Medicare and Child Support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.	Australia-wide	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/indigenous-access-line
Statewide service	Financial counselling	National Debt Helpline / Financial Counselling Victoria	Telephone and local referrals	1800 007 007	https://ndh.org.au	Free financial counselling, debt advice, hardship advocacy and referrals; can locate culturally appropriate local assistance.	Australia-wide	https://ndh.org.au
Statewide service	Gambling harm	Gambler's Help – Aboriginal support pathway	Telephone and local services	1800 858 858	https://gamblershelp.com.au	Free gambling harm counselling, financial counselling and support; ask for Aboriginal culturally safe or community-specific assistance.	Victoria statewide	https://gamblershelp.com.au
Statewide service	Quit smoking / health	Quitline Aboriginal Quitline	Telephone service	13 78 48	www.quit.org.au	Telephone support to stop smoking; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander callers can request an Aboriginal Quitline counsellor where available.	Victoria / Australia	www.quit.org.au

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Statewide service	Diabetes	Diabetes Victoria – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support	Telephone / statewide	1300 437 386	www.diabetesvic.org.au	Diabetes information, education and support; Aboriginal health resources and referral support.	Victoria statewide	https://bilang.nh.org.au/northern-health-aboriginal-service
Community group	Reconciliation / community engagement	Whittlesea Reconciliation Group	City of Whittlesea; contact via Council	03 9217 2170	www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/Services/Support-for-people/Aboriginal-community/Whittlesea-Reconciliation-Group	Advises Council, promotes understanding of Aboriginal culture and history, supports local reconciliation activities and community partnership.	City of Whittlesea	www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/Services/Support-for-people/Aboriginal-community/Whittlesea-Reconciliation-Group