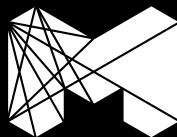


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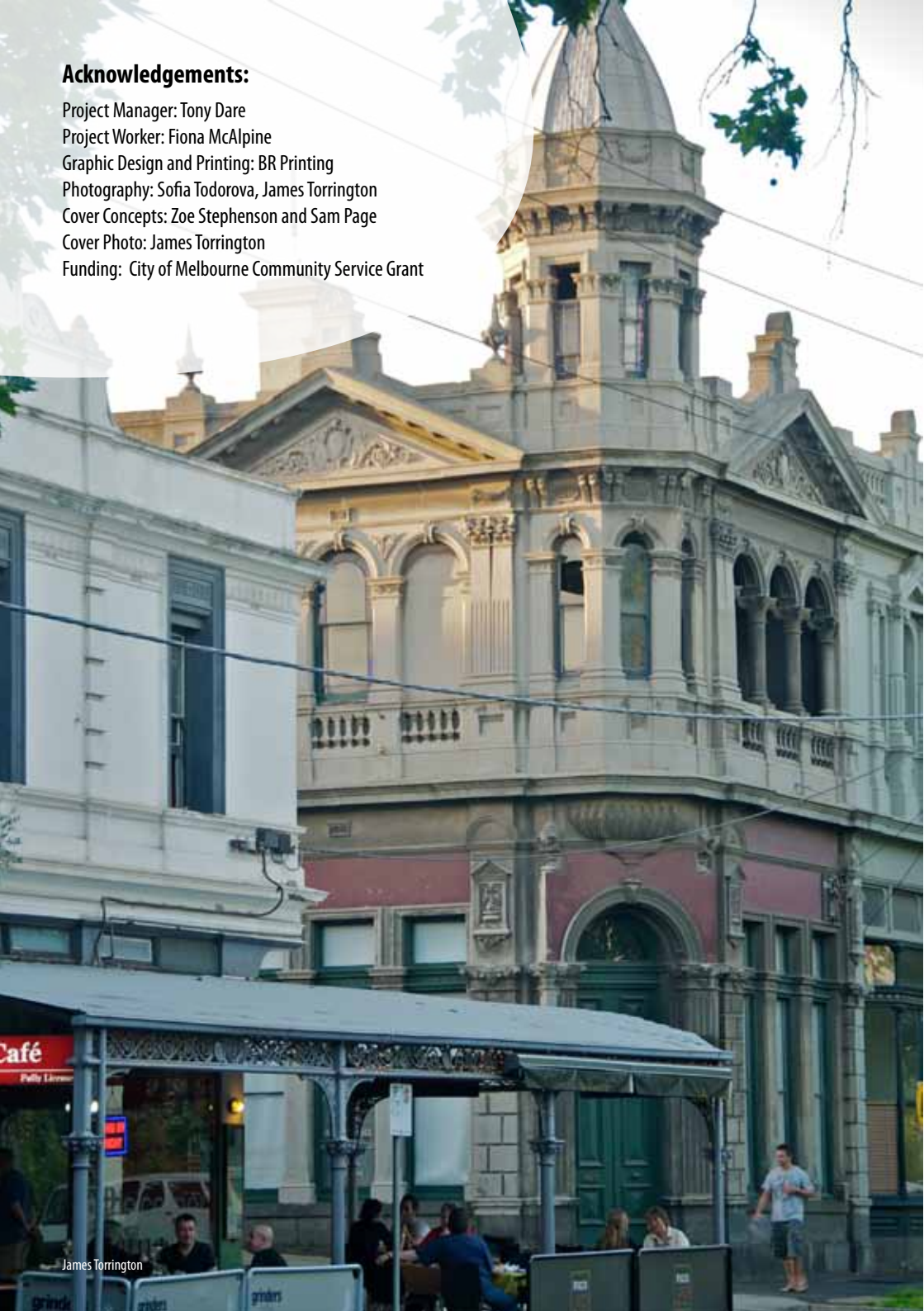
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To friends of Kensington:

Greetings, and welcome to the 2010 edition of the Kensington Community Services Guide. Our aim has been to include in this Guide all not-for-profit organizations sited in Kensington that offer services to Kensington residents.

This Guide has been brought to you by the Kensington Association, your local residents group. We acknowledge the City of Melbourne for providing funding for its production.

We love Kensington: its people, its fabric and its location. Kensington has a “feel” that is rooted in our acknowledgement of community and neighbourhood.

The Kensington Association is committed to preserving and enhancing our community. Not to try and freeze it in time, but to ensure that as change occurs, our amenity and history is preserved and that, in particular, potential building development excesses are curtailed.

This Guide is both a recognition and celebration of the many services and agencies that form a vital part of our community. We hope you find it useful. A copy is also accessible on our website ([www.kensingtonassociation.org.au](http://www.kensingtonassociation.org.au)) where you will also find a wealth of information on our suburb and the activities of the Association and its members.

If you would like to know more about the Association, become a member, or get involved in our activities, please feel free to contact us at [members@kensingtonassociation.org.au](mailto:members@kensingtonassociation.org.au).

All the best,

***David Ettershank***

Chairperson of the Kensington Association  
2010-2011

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## **DOUTTA GALLA COMMUNITY HEALTH**

12 Gower Street

[www.doutta.org.au](http://www.doutta.org.au)

[sol.ilhan@dgchs.org.au](mailto:sol.ilhan@dgchs.org.au)

**8378 1600**

Doutta Galla offers a bulk billing medical practice, community nurses, counselling and culturally specific community development workers, allied health and youth services.

## **KENSINGTON COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE**

Corner Kensington Road and Altona Street

[www.kensington.ymca.org.au](http://www.kensington.ymca.org.au)

**9376 1633**

The Centre is a modern sports and recreation venue with the following facilities: modern indoor pool, a gym and health club, an indoor sports hall for soccer, netball, basketball and volleyball. The health club has recently offered pilates, yoga, boxfit, body attack, swim squad and aqua aerobics. The Centre administers the JJ Holland Skate Park and the Kensington Banks tennis courts, as well as offering an auditorium for hire.

## **KENSINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE**

89 McCracken Street

[www.kensingtonneighbourhoodhouse.com](http://www.kensingtonneighbourhoodhouse.com)

[kwgp@vicnet.net.au](mailto:kwgp@vicnet.net.au)

**9376 7280**

Neighbourhood House offers courses and programs and provides a venue for various groups. Recent courses have included languages, yoga, cooking and computer classes. Groups have included a weekly social group, a book group, a philosophy group and an Indochinese and Vietnamese elderly group.

## **KENSINGTON SENIOR CITIZENS CENTRE**

18 Anthony Street

**9376 9743**

The Centre is a venue for many community, cultural and family activities and groups including the Kensington Senior Citizens Club, Circolo Pensionati Italiani di Kensington (Italian senior citizens group), CO.AS.IT (Italian language and cultural group) and the Elderly Greek Club of Kensington and Flemington.



# Community Representative Groups

## KENSINGTON ASSOCIATION

PO Box 1208 Kensington VIC 3031  
[www.kensingtonassociation.org.au](http://www.kensingtonassociation.org.au)  
[info@kensingtonassociation.org.au](mailto:info@kensingtonassociation.org.au)

The Association is a volunteer residents' action group that aims to maintain and develop our suburb's unique character and preserve and enhance the amenity of Kensington for the benefit of all residents. It campaigns against inappropriate development, and campaigns for improvements to services and infrastructure in Kensington.

## KENSINGTON PUBLIC TENANTS ASSOCIATION

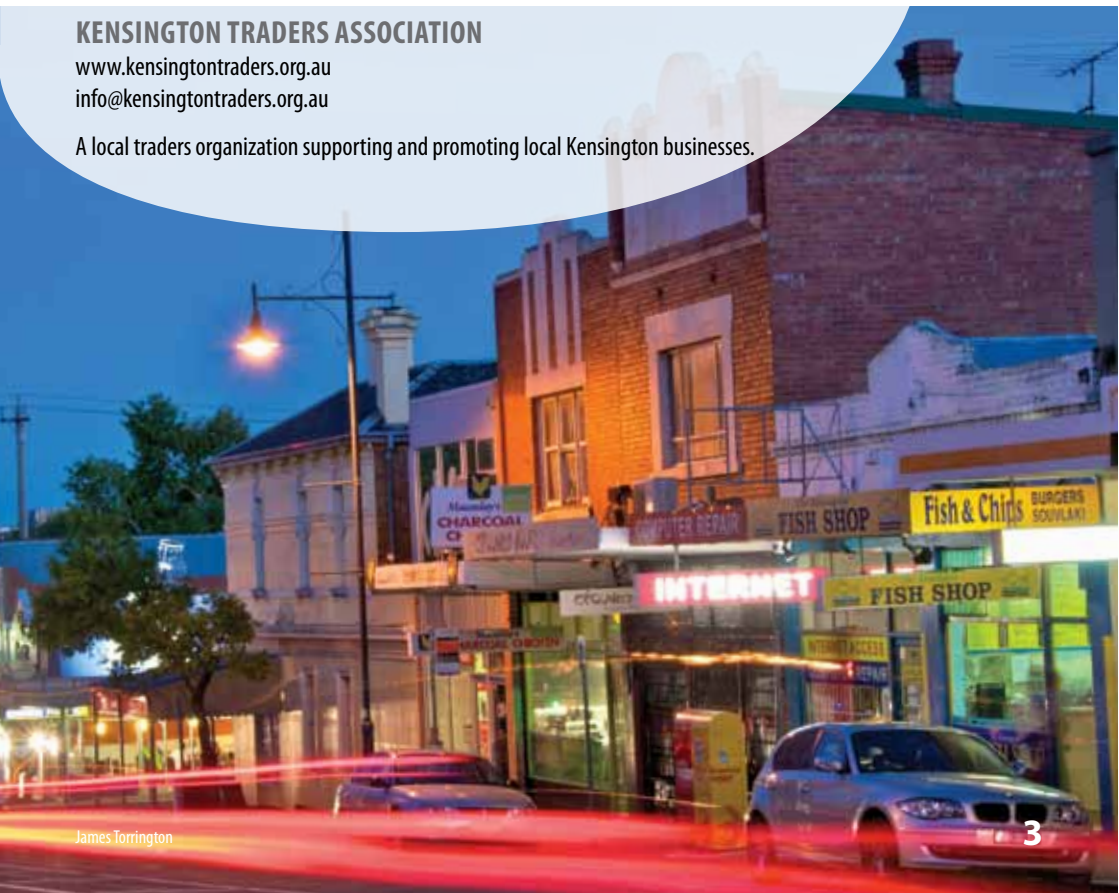
56 Derby Street  
**9376 3267**

The Association represents tenants living in public housing in Kensington, providing a communication channel with the Office of Housing. The Association also provides free Internet for residents.

## KENSINGTON TRADERS ASSOCIATION

[www.kensingtontraders.org.au](http://www.kensingtontraders.org.au)  
[info@kensingtontraders.org.au](mailto:info@kensingtontraders.org.au)

A local traders organization supporting and promoting local Kensington businesses.



# Community Representative Groups Continued

## **KENSINGTON VILLAGE NETWORK**

[www.kvn.org.au](http://www.kvn.org.au)

[info@kvn.org.au](mailto:info@kvn.org.au)

The Network has the overall aim of increasing community engagement and participation within Kensington. It also sponsors an annual craft market, Market 3031, where local artists can showcase their wares.

## **FLEMINGTON KENSINGTON RETURNED SERVICES LEAGUE**

25 Rankins Road

[www.flemingtonkensington.rslvic.com.au](http://www.flemingtonkensington.rslvic.com.au)

[caroleo@marstoncook.com.au](mailto:caroleo@marstoncook.com.au)

**9376 6843**

Aims to serve the interests of its members, veterans, the ex-service community and members of the Australian Defence Force living in Flemington and Kensington.

## **URBAN COMMUNITIES**

42 Derby Street

[www.urbancommunities.com.au](http://www.urbancommunities.com.au)

[ucl@urbancommunities.com.au](mailto:ucl@urbancommunities.com.au)

**9371 2000**

Urban Communities is a not-for-profit property management company based in the community of the former Kensington public housing estate, which is in the final stages of redevelopment. It provides social housing, manages public housing via an agreement with the Office of Housing, Victoria, manages private rentals, body corporate services and provides facilities management services. It also partners local agencies and community services in its community-building approach, which includes initiatives such as learning and employment opportunities, family events, cultural festivals and recreational activities.



# Leisure

## FLEMINGTON AND KENSINGTON BOWLING CLUB

Corner Smithfield Road and Racecourse Road  
flemkenbowling@bigpond.com

**9376 6414**

Provides for both experienced and first time bowlers. There is coaching, the greens can be booked, and the licensed premises are available for function hire.

## FLEMINGTON KENSINGTON NEWS

**0411 775 986**

mary.keating@optusnet.com.au

A community newspaper that is produced quarterly by a collective of local residents in Kensington and Flemington.

## FLEMINGTON LIBRARY

313 Racecourse Road

**8325 1975**

Provides regular library services for adults and children as well as a home library service, Internet, printing facilities and a meeting room.

## KENSINGTON ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

85 Kensington Road

**9376 0589**

This is known locally as 'The Venny'. It is open every day after school and all day on weekends and school holidays. Activities include arts and crafts, sports, cubby building, trampoline, castle games, live animals and a veggie garden.

## KENSINGTON COMMUNITY GARDEN

Corner Westbourne Road and Cornish Lane

**9376 1633**

Provides plots for hire that are available to Kensington residents to grow herbs, vegetables and flowers.

## MELBOURNE COMMUNITY TOY LIBRARY (KENSINGTON BRANCH)

Corner Kensington Road and Altona Street

[www.melbournecommunitytoylibrary.org.au](http://www.melbournecommunitytoylibrary.org.au)

[mctoylibrary@hotmail.com](mailto:mctoylibrary@hotmail.com)

**0425 365 096**

The library is located in the Kensington Community Recreation Centre and offers a wide range of toys for residents to borrow on a long or short term basis.

## YOUTH UNLIMITED

12 Gower Street

**8378 1600**

A program based at Doutta Galla Community Health that offers a range of support services and programs for young people 12 to 25 including recreation, adventure, holiday camps, sports and school-based programs.

## 6TH MELBOURNE SCOUT GROUP

55 McCracken Street

[www.6thmelbournescouts.org.au](http://www.6thmelbournescouts.org.au)

**9376 8027**

The group holds Cubs on Tuesday evenings and Scouts on Monday evenings.

# Community Service Organizations

## **LYNCH'S BRIDGE AGED CARE FACILITIES**

44 Market Street  
**9376 2111**

Offers intermediate and intensive aged care plus a range of activities and specialised services for residents including physiotherapy, music therapy, aromatherapy, podiatry, hairdressing and a dietician.

## **MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CENTRE**

81A Altona Street  
**9376 6945**

Offers maternal and child healthcare, health check-ups, family support and open immunization sessions, as well as counselling and early childhood services.

## **SALVATION ARMY COMMUNITY OUTREACH SERVICES**

133 Rankins Road  
[www.salvationarmy.org.au](http://www.salvationarmy.org.au)  
**8371 7800**

Offers assistance to individuals with complex needs, homeless young couples, women with substance abuse difficulties, women in crisis or individuals who are homeless.

## **VISION AUSTRALIA**

346 Macaulay Road  
[www.visionaustralia.org.au](http://www.visionaustralia.org.au)  
**1300 847 466**

Represents the interests of vision impaired Australians and advocates for improved services for those in need and offers vision assessments on request.



# Sports Clubs based at JJ Holland Park

**AFL YOUTH GIRLS COMPETITION**  
**0418 572 902**

**FLEMINGTON COLTS CRICKET CLUB**  
**9376 4909**

**KENSINGTON FLEMINGTON JUNIOR SPORTS CLUB**  
**0408 211 875**

**FLEMINGTON JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**  
**0410 594 574**

**KENSINGTON CITY SOCCER CLUB**  
**0438 956 530**

**KENSINGTON JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER**  
**9482 5998**



# Places of Worship



## **CHRIST CHURCH KENSINGTON (ANGLICAN AND UNITING)**

76 McCracken Street  
[www.cckensington.org.au](http://www.cckensington.org.au)  
[cckpriest@bigpond.com](mailto:cckpriest@bigpond.com)  
**9372 2151**

## **HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

22 Gower Street  
**9376 6148**

## **INNER CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH (ASSEMBLIES OF GOD)**

4/1-39 Hobsons Road  
[www.innercitycc.com.au](http://www.innercitycc.com.au)  
[rolandjs@bigpond.com](mailto:rolandjs@bigpond.com)  
**9399 8077**

## **ST MARY'S COPTIC ORTHODOX CHURCH**

1 Epsom Road  
**9376 6651**

# Cultural Groups

**INDOCHINESE AND VIETNAMESE ELDERLY GROUP**  
**9376 7280**

**INDOCHINESE REFUGEE ASSOCIATION**  
**9371 2000**

**KENSINGTON CHINESE FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION**  
**9371 2000**

**LAOS ASSOCIATION**  
**9371 2000**

**SOMALI WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP**  
**9371 2000**

**78 SENIORS CLUB**  
**9371 2000**

**HORN OF AFRICA SENIOR WOMEN'S GROUP**  
**0413 247 004**

**HORN OF AFRICA COMMUNITY GROUP**  
**9371 2000**

**CIRCOLO PENSIONATI ITALIANI DI KENSINGTON**  
**(ITALIAN SENIOR CITIZENS GROUP)**  
**9376 9743**

**CO.AS.IT (ITALIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL GROUP)**  
**9376 9743**

**THE ELDERLY GREEK CLUB**  
**OF KENSINGTON AND FLEMINGTON**  
**9376 9743**



# Schools and Childcare

## DEBNEY PARK SECONDARY COLLEGE

167-175 Mt Alexander Road

Flemington VIC 3031

[www.debney.vic.edu.au](http://www.debney.vic.edu.au)

**9376 1622**

## HOLY ROSARY PRIMARY SCHOOL

37 Gower Street

[www.hrkensington.catholic.edu.au](http://www.hrkensington.catholic.edu.au)

[principal@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au)

**9376 9455**

## KENSINGTON COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S CO-OPERATIVE

81B Altona Street

[www.kccc.org.au](http://www.kccc.org.au)

**9376 4565**

A parent-managed co-operative offering  
long day care and kindergarten.

## KENSINGTON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL (alternative secondary school)

405 Racecourse Road

[www.kchs.vic.edu.au](http://www.kchs.vic.edu.au)

[kensington.community.hs@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:kensington.community.hs@edumail.vic.gov.au)

**9376 1953**

## KENSINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

McCracken Street

[www.kensingtonps.vic.edu.au](http://www.kensingtonps.vic.edu.au)

[kensington.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:kensington.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

**9376 6013**

## KENSINGTON TURKISH CHILD CARE CENTRE

8 Wolseley Parade

**9376 7989**

Offers long day care for  
children of all cultures.



# Support and Housing

## DIGNITY FINANCIAL COUNSELLING

22 Bellair Street  
dignity@infoxchange.net.au  
**9376 4366**

Provides free and confidential financial counselling and assistance in debt and credit matters. It is also able to provide interpreters for non-English speaking clients.

## FLEMINGTON AND KENSINGTON COMMUNITY LEGAL CENTRE

22 Bellair Street  
www.communitylaw.org.au/clc\_flemingtonkensington  
fklegal@fkclc.org.au  
**9376 4355**

Provides free advice and assistance to residents about legal matters. It also has particular expertise in young people's issues, police powers and working with people from non-English speaking backgrounds.

## MARIBRYNONG AND MOONEE VALLEY LOCAL LEARNING AND EMPLOYMENT NETWORK

40 Bellair Street  
www.mmvllen.org.au  
suefowler@mmvllen.org.au  
**9376 7251**

Aims to improve the education, training and employment options for 10–19 year olds, particularly those at risk of disengaging from education, training and employment. Youth Mentor Assisted Pathways aims to support young people identified by schools as being 'at risk', to re-connect with their education, explore other educational options or transition to employment.

# Kensington Association

## our aim

To maintain and develop our suburb's unique character and enhance the amenity of Kensington for the benefit of all residents.

## who we are

Established in 1977, we are a non-profit resident action group consisting of people just like you - Kensington people who are committed to the future of our community. Our day-to-day business is conducted by an unpaid Steering Committee of volunteers, elected each year at the Annual General Meeting of our Association.

The *Kensington Association* was preceded by a number of other organisations with similar objectives, including the *Flemington/Kensington Progress Association* of the 1940s and the *Kensington Social Action Group*.

## what we do

- We work to preserve the character and amenity of our community and improve the delivery of services to its residents.
- We maintain a good working relationship with our local Council, the City of Melbourne, ensuring that both Councillors and Council officers are fully aware of residents' concerns.
- We provide leadership for community campaigns such as the 'Hands off Holland Park' campaign, the 'Reunite Kensington' campaign and the campaign to oppose the use of the Broadmeadows Line for the proposed airport rail service.
- We monitor proposed building developments in Kensington, supporting those that enhance amenity, and opposing those that are inappropriate.
- We represent Kensington residents on committees, such as the Holland Park Redevelopment Committee and the Community Liaison Committee for the Kensington Estate redevelopment project.
- We speak for you and provide advocacy for you when organisations ask us to comment on proposed new developments.

For the latest news about the Association, visit our website [www.kensingtonassociation.org.au](http://www.kensingtonassociation.org.au)

## We invite you to join us!

Annual membership fee: **\$15** couple working **\$10** single working **\$5** single not working/concessional.

Send cheque or money order to the Kensington Association, PO Box 1208, Kensington VIC 3031

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (mobile) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Skills you could contribute \_\_\_\_\_

# Emergency Numbers

## AMBULANCE, POLICE, FIRE BRIGADE

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VICTORIA POLICE, MELBOURNE NORTH	8379 0800
LIFELINE	131 114
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LINE	1800 656 463
CHILD PROTECTION	1300 664 977 after hours 131 278
CRIME STOPPERS	1800 333 000
TRANSLATING AND INTERPRETING SERVICE	131 450
KIDS HELP LINE	1800 551 800





