IMPACT FRAMEWORK



Our Impact - Communities are resilient, enabled, and nourished; Localised solutions are valued when thinking about creating positive social and environmental outcomes

The issue

Our Communities:

Are vulnerable to social and environmental change with a lack of robust, healthy, and localised support networks.

Are not meaningfully engaged to participate informing policy and systems change.

Community Organisations:

Are unable to easily and efficiently access funding

Are overlooked as producers of high impact social outcomes

Are underestimated in their natural leadership in the community

Are not nourished to embed larger systems change work

Are not resourced to participate in large scale community networks

Social connectedness:

is not prioritised as a means to solve complex problems

Our strategic response

SMALL GRANTS

Investing in community resilience in Victoria.

Aims to nourish and engage local organisations to ensure communities are resilient in the face of social, economic and environmental change.

We will do this by investing in:

- Community designed and implemented solutions
- Initiatives strengthening the social, cultural and economic wellbeing of communities
- Trusted local expertise and leaders
- Resources, expertise and skills of local communities
- · Building community networks
- Essential and immediate community needs

COMMUNITY CAPACITY

Building the capacity of community organisations.

Aims to support community networks, organisations and their leaders to develop skills and make space to build capacity and achieve their mission.

We will do this by investing in the capacity of organisations through:

- Training and development opportunities.
- Backing social innovation
- · Supporting diverse leaders
- Funding participation in existing local networks
- Improved organizational or network effectiveness

Social outcomes

- Communities are resilient in the face of change, and local support networks are accessible and effective
- Communities are enabled to effectively embed emerging practices.
- Decision makers value social connectedness as a powerful tool to create community change.
- Local organisations are empowered to drive positive social outcomes for their communities.
- · Local organisations have the capacity to influence systems.
- Emerging social entrepreneurs are funded to take their innovations to scale.

Listen to and centre local lived/living experience Centering under-represented cohorts (i.e. Climate, Women, First Nations).

- Prioritise community development
- · Build capacity
- · Remove administration burden
- Fund overheads
- Share learnings

Principles