

# Emergency Relief & Support Services

December 2025



## **Emergency Relief Services**

## What is Emergency Relief?

Material or financial aid provided to assist someone to deal with their immediate needs while experiencing financial crisis or personal hardship.

## Who is eligible?

Latrobe City residents experiencing personal hardship.

Please note some services restrict their assistance to people with a Health Care Card and who live within a certain town/postcode. Due to demand and resource availability, the number of times a person can receive assistance may also be limited.

## How to receive assistance?

Make direct contact with a Relief Service by telephoning or visiting their service location.

Be referred for assistance by someone you work with or a health professional.

## **Types of Assistance**



Food



Vouchers/financial assistance



Household goods



Shower/bathroom facilities



Pharmacy assistance



Soup kitchen/meals



Clothing



## **Ombudsman**

If problems with an energy provider or telephone continue after speaking with the company, you can speak with an Ombudsman. Problems could be related to billing, payment, disconnection, debt or connection. Financial counselling can also support complaints to the Ombudsman.

## **Energy and Water 1800 500 509**

Energy and Water Ombudsman Victoria (EWOV) is a not-for-profit, independent and impartial dispute resolution service. They provide Victorian energy and water customers with free, accessible, informal and fast dispute resolution.

## Telecommunications 1800 062 058

The Telecommunications Ombudsman provides a fair, independent and accessible external dispute resolution service for residential consumers and small businesses who have an unresolved complaint about their telephone or internet service.

## Thank-you

Emergency Relief in Latrobe would not be possible without the dedicated work of volunteers and community donations. We ask that recipients are always respectful of volunteers and staff.

## **Translation Services**

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## Churchill

# Churchill Neighbourhood Centre

9-11 Philip Parade, Churchill 5120 3850

Food Bank is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10am to 12pm

Appointment only.

For other services, opening hours are 10am to 3pm.

See supports available at www.churchill.org.au





## St Vincent De Paul Society

Home visits only by appointment. Leave a voicemail, contact within 48hrs

5122 3979

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday







# Vinnies Soup Van Street Service

Friday 6pm, 37 White Parade, Churchill 6.30pm, 9 Illawonga Court, Churchill



## **Heart Focus Community Care**

7 Short Street, Traralgon 0421 841 250 Tuesday, 10am to 1pm and Friday, 10am to 12pm Donation and hardship proof required.



#### Mick's Kitchen

(St Michael's Parish) 43 Kay Street, Traralgon 5174 2060 Thursday, 6pm to 7pm.



## St Vincent De Paul Society Assistance Centre

43 Kay Street, Traralgon 5174 2278 Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10.30am to 1.30pm. Support for 3844 postcode only. Closed public holidays and Christmas period.







## **Vinnies Soup Van Street** Service

(43 Cameron Street, Traralgon outside Cameron Street preschool) 5174 2278 Tuesday 6.30pm onwards



## Tabitha's Closet Van -Free Clothing Initiative

The Tabitha Van services six sites across Gippsland.

Locations and times can be found at:

www.mytcc.com.au/tabithas-closet-van



## Moe

## **GCC Community Care**

Level 1, 36 George Street, Moe (Shaw's Arcade, via lift) 5126 1647 or 0447 393 198 Wednesday and Thursday 10am to 2pm Only for residents of 3825 postcode. Closed school and





public holidays.

winter only

## Gippsland Car Scene (Moe **Neighbourhood House**)

Support for situational distress, mental health challenges. homelessness and other crisis supports. All welcome, free, no judgement just support. 1-11 James Street, Moe 5126 3123 Monday to Friday and every second Saturday, 9am to 3.30pm.









## Paid Forward – Willow House **Community Support**

27 Boolarra Avenue, Newborough (03) 4137 8170 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9am to 2pm.







## St Vincent De Paul Society

5127 3696 Monday, Wednesday and Friday Please call between 10am to 12pm to make an appointment.











## Moe

# TRCCG Abundant Life Parish, Moe

6 George Street, Moe 5164 1017 or 0438 376 283 Thursday, 5.30pm to 6.30pm Extended operating hours on school holidays.



### **Moe Baptist Church**

62 Fowler Street, Moe VIC 3825 5126 2182

Basic food necessities, domestic violence support bags and social connection available.

Monday, 12pm to 1pm.





## Morwell

#### **Fossick & Find**

72 George Street, Morwell 4120 0840 Monday to Thursday, 10am to 3pm Friday, 10am to 2.45pm Referral required by a Client Support Service.



## **Heart Focus Community Care**

46 Buckley Street, Morwell 0421 841 250 Monday and Thursday, 10am to 1pm Donation and Health Care Card required.



## Morwell Library

63-65 Elgin Street, Morwell 5128 6131 Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5.15pm Saturday, 9am to 12noon Some supplies may be available (towel and toiletries).



## Morwell

### **Morwell Neighbourhood** House

48-50 Beattie Crescent, Morwell 5134 5488 Monday and Friday, 9am to 3pm No appointment required.









## ReStore Pantry - Enjoy Church Gippsland

144-148 Maryvale Road, Morwell 0400 244 102 or Email: gippsland@enjoy.church for any enquiries.

Friday, 9am to 12pm

Closed public holidays and two weeks during July and Christmas school holidays.





## **Salvation Army**

57 Bridle Road, Morwell 5126 7100 Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10am to 2pm

Provide emergency relief and holistic case management.











## St Vincent De Paul Society

5133 8226

Tuesday and Thursday, 9am to 11am Leave a voicemail, for a return call. Foodbank accessed through Morwell Neighbourhood House.









## Uniting Vic Tas

131 Princes Drive, Morwell 9051 7000 Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 2.30pm

Health Care Card advisable.







## **Filipino Community Council** Victoria, Inc (FCCVi)

In partnership with Foodbank 71 George Street, Morwell Trisha: 0457 056 604 or email trisha.tanginan@fccvi.org.au Every Thursday, 11am to 3pm



## **Client Support Services**

## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

## Ramahyuck District Aboriginal Corporation Morwell

GP, allied health, koorie maternity service, diabetes high risk foot clinic, mental health clinician, chronic disease program, alcohol and drugs support, wellbeing support and youth support. Wanjana Lidj Family services for extensive family support and Gunai Lidj Childrens Early Learning Centre.

15-17 Collins Street, Morwell 5136 5100

receptionmorwell@ramahyuck.org Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

## Victorian Aboriginal Child and Community Agency (VACCA) Morwell

Youth mental health case management, specialist disability support, private rental assistance, family violence crisis accommodation and support via Orange Door for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

21 Hazelwood Road, Morwell 5135 6055

www.VACCA.org

Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

#### **Crisis**

#### Lifeline

24/7 crisis mental health support. Free and anonymous.

Call 13 11 14 or

Text 0477 13 11 14.

Online Chat at www.lifeline.org.au

## **The Orange Door**

Help for people who are experiencing or using family violence or who need support with the care and wellbeing of children and young people.

163 Princes Drive, Morwell
1800 319 354
iga@orangedoor.vic.gov.au

## **Financial Counselling**

Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

## **Anglicare Victoria**

Free and confidential financial information, counselling and advocacy.

190 Commercial Road, Morwell 1800 809 722

www.anglicarevic.org.au Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

## **Good Money**

No interest loans, for whitegoods, household items, medical, car repairs and registration.

10 Tarwin Street, Morwell 1300 770 550 Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 3pm.

## Latrobe Community Health Service

Free financial counselling - general financial counselling and Gambler's Help financial counselling.

81/87 Buckley Street, Morwell 1800 242 696

<u>GamblingSupportServices@lchs.c</u> om.au

Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

### **National Debt Helpline**

Free financial counselling that is independent and confidential. 1800 007 007, Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 4.30pm

Online chat <a href="https://www.ndh.org.au">www.ndh.org.au</a> Monday to Friday, 9am to 8pm.

## Salvation Army Phone Assistance Line

Crisis financial assistance, not available in stores.

03 8873 5288

Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm.

## General

## **Anglicare Victoria**

Adoption, Foster Care, ParentZone, Children's Contact Centre, Family and Community Support.

190 Commercial Road, Morwell 5135 9555

www.anglicarevic.org.au

Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

## Housing

## **Community Housing Ltd**

Housing information, advocacy and referral, assessments for financial assistance, applications for public and private rental assistance.

12-14 Church Street, Morwell 5120 4800

www.chl.org.au

Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

## Legal

#### **Consumer Affairs Victoria**

Consumer and tenancy advice. 25 Ann Street, Morwell 1300 55 81 81 www.consumer.vic.gov.au Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

## Gippsland Community Legal Service

A free and confidential legal service, a program of Anglicare Victoria.

190 Commercial Road, Morwell 1800 004 402

www.gcls.org.au

Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

## Victoria Legal Aid

Legal assistance for criminal and family law, child protection, family violence, tenancy, guardianship and administration, fines, Centrelink debt, victims of crime and mental health. Legal Help telephone line for free information and advice: 1300 792 387.

4 Chapel Street, Morwell 5126 6444 (appointment only) www.legalaid.vic.gov.au Monday to Friday, 8.45am to 5.15pm.

## Medical

#### Head to Health

Head to Health is a free mental health and wellbeing referral service for anyone who needs support.

1800 595 212 www.headtohealthvic.org.au/headto-help/

Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm (except public holidays).

# Latrobe Community Health Service (LCHS)

GP clinic, nursing services, dental, alcohol and other drug treatment services, NDIS support, allied health, aged care assessment services, carer programs, counselling, volunteers, gamblers help, refugee and settlement support.

Sites located across Latrobe.

1800 242 696.

www.lchs.com.au

# Latrobe Mental Health and Wellbeing Local

Mental health and wellbeing support for 26+ years living within Latrobe. All support is free and you do not need a Medicare card or referral from your doctor.

23 Hazelwood Road, Morwell 1800 571 142 Monday to Friday, 9am to 7.30pm Saturday and Public Holidays, 12.30pm to 7.30pm.

## **Urgent Care Clinic**

GP-led care for urgent, nonemergency issues including mild to moderate infections, asthma attacks, respiratory symptoms, fever, pain, gastrointestinal concerns, headaches, brief fainting, allergies, pregnancyrelated bleeding, urinary pain, minor fractures, sprains, cuts, burns and bites.

42-44 Fowler Street, Moe 5127 9111

www.lchs.com.au/latrobe-UCC

Open seven days a week. 8am to 10pm

### Showers

# Gippsland Regional Aquatic Centre (GRAC)

49 Breed Street, Traralgon 1300 444 722

#### Normal operating hours:

Monday to Friday, 6am to 9pm Saturday and Sunday, 8am to 6pm.

#### **Latrobe Leisure Morwell**

45 McDonald Street, Morwell 5128 6144 Monday to Thursday, 6am to 9pm Friday, 6am to 8pm Saturday and Sunday, 9am to 4pm.

# Gippsland Regional Indoor Sports Stadium (GRISS)

Catterick Crescent, Traralgon 5176 3000 (Operating hours vary).

# Latrobe Leisure Moe Newborough

Cnr Old Sale Road and Southwell Avenue, Newborough 5135 8580 Monday to Thursday, 6am to 9pm Friday, 6am to 8pm Saturday and Sunday, 9am to 4pm.

## **Latrobe Leisure Churchill**

Cnr Northways Road and McDonald Way, Churchill 5120 3888 Monday to Thursday, 6am to 9pm Friday, 6am to 7.30pm Saturday, 9am to 4pm Sunday, 10am to 3pm.

## Morwell Neighbourhood House

48- 50 Beattie Crescent, Morwell 5134 5488
Monday to Friday 9.30am to 2.30pm
Shower, washing machine and device charging available.



Phone 1300 367 700
Post PO Box 264. Morwell 3840
Email latrobe@latrobe.vic.gov.au
www.latrobe.vic.gov.au

### **Service Centres & Libraries**

#### Morwell

Corporate Headquarters 141 Commercial Road, Morwell Morwell Library 63-65 Elgin Street, Morwell

#### Moe

Moe Service Centre and Library 1-29 George Street, Moe

### **Traralgon**

Traralgon Service Centre and Library 34-38 Kay Street, Traralgon

#### Churchill

Churchill Community Hub 9-11 Philip Parade, Churchill

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