

Environmental volunteers and landcarers

Resources and information for Victorians caring for nature



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Nature Led Community Resilience Toolkit

Nature-Led Community Resilience (NLCR) is about people and nature helping each other recover from disasters. When we care for the environment, it can help us heal too.

A toolkit has been designed to help communities and organisations use NLCR in disaster recovery and planning. It includes real examples, simple steps to get started, tips on finding

resources, and ways to build strong partnerships.

For more information visit ari.vic.gov.au

Resource Smart School Awards - Closes 25 February 2025

The ResourceSmart School Awards are Victoria's largest sustainability celebration of students, teachers and volunteers who are working together in schools and the community to build the future we need.

The 2025 theme is "Working together."

For more information and to apply visit sustainability.vic.gov.au



Volunteering in Nature: Let's Make it Accessible Toolkit

Want to create inclusive volunteering opportunities? Explore Remember The Wild's "Volunteering in Nature: Let's Make it Accessible" toolkit. This written guide and video series offers practical tips and resources to help you break down barriers, welcome volunteers living with disability and strengthen your community. Together, we can make nature volunteering a space for everyone.

Remember The Wild is also building a directory of accessible groups and opportunities. Visit the toolkit page to register your interest.

Access the resources at rememberthewild.org.au



Grants and Training Opportunities

Coastcare Grants - closes 17 February 2025

Community-led environmental groups and organisations can apply for grants of up to \$10,000 for projects that support the community in caring and acting for the coastal and marine environment.

Grants are available for projects that focus on Coastcare Victoria Stewardship and Education, Strengthening the Coastcare Victoria Community, and Caring for Country.

For more information visit: marineandcoasts.vic.gov.au/coastal-programs/coastcare-victoria

Strengthening Rural Communities Small & Vital Grants - closes 27 March 2025

The Foundation of Rural Regional Renewal's (FRRR) Strengthening Rural Communities Small & Vital grants stream provides small remote, rural and regional communities with an opportunity to access funds for a broad range of initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities.

Grants up to \$10,000 are available for grassroots, community-led initiatives that directly and clearly benefit local communities and strengthen local people, places and climate solutions, with a preference for smaller communities (i.e. populations under 15,000).

For more information and to apply visit ffr.org.au

Strengthening Rural Communities Prepare & Recover Grants - closes 27 March 2025

These grants of up to \$25,000 support remote, rural and regional communities to implement initiatives that prevent and prepare for future climate related impacts or recovery from existing disasters through the medium to long term timeframe, generally one to 10 years after a disaster.

To apply visit ffr.org.au

Paws for Platypus event - 18 January 2025

Join Waterwatch for a morning of fun and education with a four-legged friend! Did you know Sunbury is home to the elusive platypus? Learn how practising responsible dog ownership around waterways can protect the local platypus population.

When: Saturday 18 January 2025

Time: 8:30 am - 11:00 am

Where: Emu Bottom Wetlands, Sunbury

To register visit [Humanitix](#)

Nest Box Survey - 26 February 2025

Join Biolinks Alliance in monitoring 200 nest boxes at Spring Plains Nature Conservation Reserve. The boxes are designed specifically for Gliders and Phascogales to provide habitat for the at-risk Brush-Tailed Phascogale. A pole camera is used to directly view what lives in the boxes and record data.

When: Wednesday 26 February 2025

Time: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Where: Argyle

Registrations are via [Humanitix](#)

Landcare News

Victorian Landcare Grants - 2023 Outcomes

As we get ready for a new round of Victorian Landcare Grants please have a look at what you achieved in 2023 and get inspired by the revegetation and restoration projects highlighted in the [Spring 2024 Landcare Magazine](#).

To see the outcomes visit: environment.vic.gov.au

2025 General Jeffrey Soil Health Award - Nominations Close 31 March 2025

This prestigious award celebrates individuals, groups, or organisations making a significant impact on soil health while inspiring and educating others. With a \$20,000 (ex GST) cash prize to support a soil health project, this award recognises farmers, landcare groups, educators, researchers, and more who are committed to protecting and improving Australia's soils. Self-nominations are not eligible, so dig deep and nominate someone deserving today!

For more information and to nominate visit: landcareaustralia.org.au

2025 National Landcare Conference and 2025 National Landcare Awards – Early Bird registrations Now Open

The 2025 National Landcare Conference will be hosted at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre from Sunday, 21 September to Wednesday, 24 September 2025. Registrations are now open, offering you a chance to secure your ticket at a discounted rate.

To register visit [2025 National Landcare Conference Registration](#)

Want to know more? How to get in touch...

There's a lot of information on [our website](#), so take a look at some of the great resources, research and reports.

Need assistance or want to share a great story of environmental volunteering in your area? [Send us an email](#).

Resources for the Victorian Landcare Program are available on the [Victorian Landcare Gateway](#). On the Victorian Landcare Gateway, you can also find information on the Victorian

Landcare Facilitator Program, events, training and more. If you have a specific question on the Victorian Landcare Program, [send an email](#).



We acknowledge Victorian Traditional Owners and their Elders past and present as the original custodians of Victoria's land and waters and commit to genuinely partnering with them and Victoria's Aboriginal community to progress their aspirations.

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