



Communique

Aboriginal Housing Victoria Board Meeting

Thursday 6 July 2023

The Board of Directors of Aboriginal Housing Victoria (AHV) held their seventh Board meeting for the calendar year on Thursday 6 July 2023, via videoconference.

Trip to Canberra

In mid-June, our CEO Darren Smith, in his capacity as Chair of the Aboriginal Housing and Homelessness Forum (AHHF), accompanied by the Strategic Policy, Advocacy and Communications team leaders, travelled to Canberra and met politicians from across the political spectrum, to discuss the need for a national Aboriginal housing and homelessness plan. Successful meetings were held with Indigenous Australians Minister Linda Burney, Housing and Homelessness Minister Julie Collins, The Greens and Independent Senators.

Lisa Briggs, our Director Policy and Strategy, was interviewed on ABC's Afternoon Briefing during the trip, where she discussed the trip and the AHHF's objectives.

For further information on the trip to Canberra, visit AHV's social media platforms.

AHV's NAIDOC event

Yesterday's NAIDOC event at the Collingwood Children's Farm was a great success, with 2,017 people in attendance. It was the first time since 2019 that AHV has been able to hold the event at the Farm, and AHV staff and attendees enjoyed being able to come together to celebrate NAIDOC and Aboriginal culture.

The Communications team worked hard to prepare for AHV's NAIDOC event, securing entertainment, equipment, catering and all the makings of a special day in the AHV community engagement calendar. As in previous years, the staff at the Farm were great supporters of AHV, and contributed to the success of the day, as did the many volunteers from NAB and Red Cross, who helped on the food stalls and the delivery of a range of activities on the day.

Visit AHV's social media platforms, for more details.