



Communique

Aboriginal Housing Victoria Board Meeting

Thursday 27 September 2018

The Board of Directors of Aboriginal Housing Victoria (AHV) held their seventh Board meeting for the calendar year on Thursday 27 September, 2018 in Melbourne.

1. Capital funding opportunities to increase AHV's property portfolio

The Board noted that there are three Victorian Government funding rounds currently seeking expressions of interest from social housing providers:

- Social Housing Growth Fund – New Rentals Development Program;
- Social Housing Growth Fund – Build and Operate Program; and
- Victorian Property Fund grants program – Housing funding round 2018-19.

The Board noted and endorsed AHV's intention to make project submissions that will support future additions to AHV's property portfolio in metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria.

2. Christmas office closure

The Board approved the closure of AHV offices between Christmas and New Year. As in previous years, systems will be in place to manage any emergency tenancy management issues that may occur during the period.

Should you require maintenance services during the Christmas/New Year period, please call the **Maintenance Call Centre on 9403 2100**. Maintenance calls will be automatically diverted to the after-hours service and an on-call staff member will be available to respond to any emergency requests.

3. Indigenous Family Violence Partnership Forum

The Board noted that AHV has formally accepted an invitation become a member of the Indigenous Family Violence Partnership Forum (IFVPPF).

AHV is very pleased to be represented on the IFVPPF. Family violence is often a significant factor in Aboriginal homelessness and vulnerable tenancies. AHV's participation in the IFVPPF will provide an important opportunity for us to work collaboratively with other IFVPPF members to improve outcomes for Aboriginal Victorians, including AHV tenants and clients who are victims of family violence.