



# THE VICTORIAN ABORIGINAL HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SUMMIT

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FRIDAY 5TH APRIL, 2019  
9.30AM - 4.30PM

Mantra City Bell - 215 Bell St, Preston VIC 3072

# Program Schedule

*This Summit is seeking your substantive ideas and actions to reduce chronic homelessness and improve housing outcomes for Aboriginal Victorians.*

*It is important that you share your views, knowledge and expertise during today's sessions, as your active participation is crucial to the development of The Framework.*

- 9.00am** Registration and welcome tea and coffee
- 9.30am** Introduction - Darren Smith, CEO Aboriginal Housing Victoria  
Welcome to Country - Uncle Colin Hunter
- 9.45am** Uncle Jack Charles - reflecting on life events and how they impact on housing choices
- 10.05am** Community Panel discussion: Lived experiences of housing - facilitated by Daphne Yarram
- 11.05am** The Aboriginal Housing and Homelessness Framework: the work so far and aims for The Summit - Jenny Samms
- 11.15am** Morning tea
- 11.45am** **Morning Session:** Participants to choose one of the below "building blocks" of the Aboriginal Housing sector:
- Session A: A Vision** (Room - Vienna)  
What is our vision for the Framework?
- Session B: Capacity** (Room - Dubai)  
What must be done to enable the Aboriginal Housing and Homelessness sectors and individual providers to build their capacity to meet current and future challenges?
- Session C: Private Ownership and Rental** (Room - Beijing)  
How can access to home ownership and the private rental market be improved?
- Session D: Building Supply** (Room - Manhattan)  
How can we build the supply of social and Aboriginal community owned housing?
- Session E: Housing as a base for improved life outcomes** (Room - Paris)  
How can safe and secure housing be leveraged to improve life outcomes?
- Session F: Homelessness** (Room - Bell City 3)  
What is the experience of an Aboriginal homeless person?  
- Demand and usage of services by Aboriginal people  
- Understanding DHHS homelessness reform  
What are the gaps for a homeless person in crisis?
- 1.00pm** Lunch

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**1.45pm** Move to Afternoon Sessions

**2.00pm** **Afternoon session:** Participants to choose one of the below "life events" for some Aboriginal Victorians

**Session A: Education and training** (*Room - Vienna*)

What housing models would improve young Aboriginal people's education and training outcomes?

**Session B: Elders** (*Room - Dubai*)

What are housing needs of Elders and how can they be met?

**Session C: Justice** (*Room - Beijing*)

What housing options would improve outcomes for people in contact with the justice system?

**Session D: Family Violence** (*Room - Manhattan*)

What are the short/medium/long term housing options that need to be available for people experiencing family violence?

**Session E: Leaving care** (*Room - Paris*)

What are the short/medium/long term housing options that need to be available for young people leaving statutory care?

**Session F: Homelessness: System or chaos?** (*Room - Bell City 3*)

How can homelessness be prevented?

What early intervention mechanisms need to be in place?

What are the pathways out?

**Session G: Disability** (*Room - London*)

What are the housing needs of Aboriginal people with a disability?

**3.15pm** Afternoon Tea

**3.30pm** Next steps and questions and discussion from the floor

**4.30pm** Summit close and drinks provided