# **IMPACTS - NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSES IN THE WEST\***

### Over 2 million

Numbers of people who use Neighbourhood Houses in the West annually

131 144

Hours given by volunteers annually

\$2,622,880

The amount volunteers contribute to the local economy of the West

## LIFELONG LEARNING

29 595

Sessions delivered per year (including pre accredited and accredited vocational education & training, digital literacy, English as an additional language, literacy and numeracy and volunteer training)

#### **ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP**

248

Community members on committees of management

#### SOCIAL CONNECTION FOR SENIORS

36 348

Sessions delivered to Senior Groups (60+) every year

#### **EARLY INTERVENTION IN FAMILY VIOLENCE**

60 060

Sessions delivered in parenting groups and family support programs

#### **HEALTH AND WELLBEING OUTCOMES**

416 156

Sessions in health and wellbeing courses (e.g., walking, yoga, social connection) every year

<sup>\*</sup>Extracted from NHVic Survey 2017

### **NETWORK WEST – STATS & FACTS**

### **Emerging Challenges for the Western Metro Region**

(incorporates LGAs Maribyrnong, Melton, Brimbank, Hobsons Bay, Wyndham, Moonee Valley and parts of Melbourne)

- ✓ Fastest growing region in Australia (Lead West: Regional Economy)
- ✓ Among the highest rates of overseas born in Australia (Lead West: Community Profile)
- ✓ Most culturally diverse area in Victoria -130 different nations have made their home in the West (Lead West: Community Profile)
- ✓ Higher than Vic average of younger people 0-15 years old (Lead West: Community Profile)
- ✓ Lower than average Seniors 65+ (Lead West: Community Profile)
- ✓ Asylum Seekers Four LGAs are in the top 10 in regards to numbers of asylum seekers on bridging visa E. Brimbank (Ranked 2), Wyndham (Ranked 7), Maribyrnong (Ranked 8), Moonee Valley (Ranked 10) - www.socialstatistics.com.au (March 2018)
- ✓ Melbourne's West worst youth unemployment in Victoria 18.3% BSL Report 2018

	predicted population growth %
LGA	2018-2051 (profile id)
Brimbank	10.9
Hobsons Bay	18.08
Moonee Valley	39.74
Maribyrnong	71.92
Wyndham	90.40
Melton	207.88

## **Network West Membership Structure**

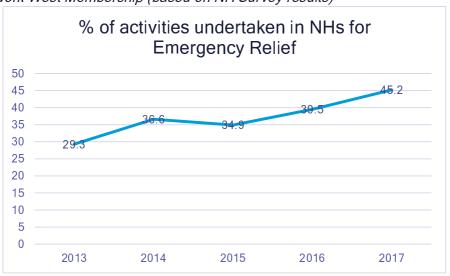
Network West is an anomaly across the state in regards to governance structure. Network West has a higher than average rate of Council managed centres.

	Statewide	
	(based on 2017 NH	
Type of Entity	Survey)	Network West
Incorporated Associations	86%	52%
Council Managed	7%	40%
Auspiced	5%	2%
Co-operatives or Company Ltd	2%	6%
Registered ACFE Providers	209	17 (represent 8% of total state)

## **Emerging Trends for Network West Members**

- ✓ Emergency Relief activities have gone up over last 5 years (NHSurvey 2017)
- ✓ Referrals are now the top services provided by NHs in the West top service offered in state in 2017 was room hire. (NHSurvey 2017)
- ✓ Currently 13 unfunded NHs within Network West (37% of the total across the state) this may change with new funding announcement due in October 2018
- ✓ Higher number of Council managed centres than state average
- ✓ Accredited and pre-accredited training continues to be a major focus (influenced by larger RTOs). Although Registered ACFE Providers in Network West only account for 8% of the total state for Neighbourhood Houses.

Chart 1: An analysis of the NHVic survey from 2013-2017 shows an increasing demand for emergency relief among Network West Membership (based on NH Survey results)



TOP 3 Services Provided - Statewide 2017	TOP 3 Services Provided - Network West
Room Hire 97%	Referral (both formal and informal) 97.6%
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Public computer / internet access 87%	Public computer / internet access 88.1%

TOP 3 Programs Provided - Statewide 2017	TOP 3 Programs Provided - Network West
Health & Wellbeing	Accredited vocational & education training
Pre-accredited / non-accredited training	Health & Wellbeing
Art & Craft	Pre-accredited training / non accredited