

COMMUNITY UPDATE

NOVEMBER 2017

FROM THE CEO



It's been 12 months since the Latrobe Valley Authority was established in November 2016 and we've learnt much about what matters to our community. We're seeing the beginnings of what will be a significant transformation across the Latrobe Valley region.

The work underway will make sure this region is a strong, vibrant and healthy place to live well into the future.

Working closely with our local councils we are committed and determined to make long-term and lasting change.

The pipeline of Victorian Government investment includes a focus on jobs growth, employment opportunities and business support, as well as rail line upgrades, a new GovHub and investment in our local sports facilities and programs.

We need to keep supporting each other, and being open to new ideas and solutions, so that we can be sure our efforts are effective and reflect what the community and business wants.

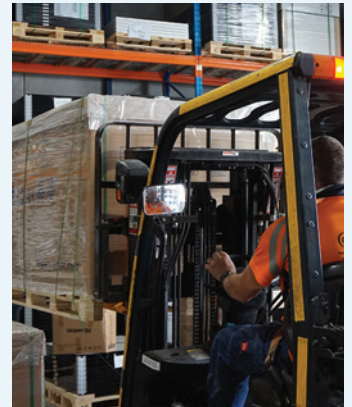
The Latrobe Valley Authority is here to be this link and to work in tangible ways to get things done.

I look forward to continuing this work with you.

Karen Cain
CEO, Latrobe Valley Authority

HERE FOR BUSINESS

- > 250 jobs created in 13 businesses across Baw Baw, Wellington and Latrobe City shires through Regional Development Victoria.
- > 11 businesses have claimed back a wide range of state and local government fees and charges through the Economic Growth Zone.
- > 302 people employed through the Back To Work Scheme.
- > 43 local businesses in Hazelwood Power Station's supply chain supported to plan for a new future.



HERE FOR COMMUNITY



- > 7 major sporting facilities to be upgraded; a calendar of major events and community programs. Includes major sporting events such as the NBL Blitz, W-League friendly match and Big Bash League T20 cricket pre-season game.
- > 24 community groups from Latrobe City, Wellington and Baw Baw shires have received more than \$1.2 million in Community Facility Fund grants.
- > Renovations complete at the Latrobe Regional Gallery, enabling it to host its first major international exhibition.
- > Good Money outlet open in Morwell providing access to zero or low-interest loans, financial counselling and affordable insurance.

HERE FOR WORKERS

- > 957 people are being supported through the Worker Transition Service, a partnership between LVA, GEST, Workways, Skills and Jobs Centre and Gippsland Trades and Labour Council.
- > 48 former Hazelwood employees have secured employment with other power generators as a result of the Worker Transfer Scheme.
- > Launch of the Access New Industries Program to help clients and their families access employment in our region's growing health sector.



GROWING THE LATROBE VALLEY

Working with local people to improve the economic and community outcomes of the Latrobe Valley region. This is an overview of projects currently underway - there's still much more to do.



ECONOMIC GROWTH

Thirteen businesses expand and diversify, creating almost 250 new jobs:

- > Latrobe Valley Enterprises – 24 jobs
- > Dicky Bill Farming – 15 jobs
- > Flavorite – 33 jobs
- > Victoria Valley Meat Exports – 73 jobs
- > Mawarra – 7 jobs
- > Gippsland Solar – 14 jobs
- > KB Industries – 8 jobs
- > Holland Customized Services – 5 jobs
- > Anglicare Victoria – 20 jobs
- > Money Talk – 5 jobs
- > GBG Concrete – 20 jobs
- > Valley Windows – 19 jobs
- > ATR Communications – 5 jobs

Eleven expanding businesses have been reimbursed government fees and charges.

LATROBE VALLEY GOVHUB

Dedicated government hub in Morwell – a base for up to 300 staff including 150 public sector jobs.

INCREASE IN LOCAL PROCUREMENT

With our Industry Capability Network representative, working to support our businesses to increase their capabilities, including their ability to tender for and win government work.



HOME ENERGY UPGRADE PROGRAM

Grants for up to 1000 low-income households in Baw Baw, Latrobe City and Wellington shires for renewable energy and energy efficiency upgrades.



WORKER SUPPORT

Supporting workers to transition into new employment opportunities.

GIPPSLAND LINE RAIL UPGRADES

\$530 million allocated as part of Regional Rail Revival project to upgrade Gippsland rail including track duplication and upgrades to crossings and signalling.

SPORTS AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

Major sport and community facility upgrades (marked) and upgrades to nine local reserves.

- > Traralgon Recreation Reserve
- > Glengarry Recreation Reserve
- > Ronald Reserve Morwell
- > Cowarr Recreation Reserve
- > Heyfield Recreation Reserve
- > Gormandale Recreation Reserve
- > Monash Reserve Newborough
- > Maryvale Recreation Reserve
- > Willow Grove Recreation Reserve

COMMUNITY FACILITY FUND

More than \$1.2 million in grants provided to 24 community organisations to update, refurbish, and improve facilities and hold community events.



GIPPSLAND HI TECH PRECINCT

Will position the Latrobe Valley as a regional leader in innovation, build industry and community capability and create jobs. Co-located with Gippsland Tech School (construction underway).

SCHOOL UPGRADES

Improvements and upgrades to 15 Latrobe Valley schools.

IMPROVING HEALTH SERVICES

- > Expansion of Latrobe Regional Hospital, including a new emergency department
- > Latrobe Health Innovation Zone set up to engage community in the design of services and programs
- > More people being assisted to quit smoking
- > Expansion of telehealth service
- > Community Latrobe Health Assembly up and running
- > New Gathering Place run by Aboriginal volunteers
- > Expanded allied health and care service.

WARRAGUL

TRAFALGAR

MOE

Ted Summerton Reserve \$3 million

Latrobe Regional Gallery upgrade

MORWELL

Morwell Recreation Reserve \$4 million

Latrobe City Sports and Entertainment Stadium \$1.7 million

Good Money Store

CHURCHILL
Dental Prosthetics Lab
38 jobs

Traralgon Tennis Centre

Latrobe Sports Stadium \$17 million

TRARALGON

Gippsland Regional Aquatic Centre \$46 million

HEYFIELD



SALE

Sale Tennis Centre

YARRAM

- Community Facility Fund grant recipients (events and facility upgrades)
- Grants for establishing and expanding businesses
- ◆ Major sporting facilities to be upgraded
- ◆ School upgrades

*map for illustrative purposes only, not to scale.

WORKING TOGETHER FOR A BRIGHT FUTURE



First workers to transfer through the Worker Transfer Scheme



Upgraded Latrobe Regional Gallery



New Good Money store



Access New Industries Program



Maltese Community Centre



W-League school clinic



Mawarra Centre