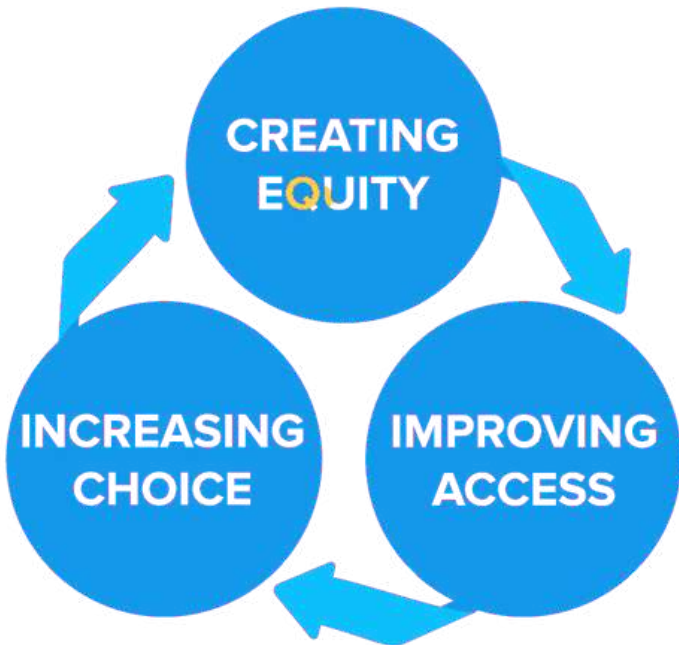


Reconnect Program — What Is It?

The Reconnect Program is a FREE service designed to help people turn their life around for the better and to assist them into training & employment.

Teaming up with a mentor, you are assisted with developing a plan to help you reach your goals, gain motivation and possibly enrol into study or find employment.

Reconnect has been developed based on the following three principles:



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Funding for the Reconnect grant program is being provided by the Victorian Government, through the Department of Education and Training





How It Works

The Reconnect program is driven largely by support and encouragement. Once eligibility is confirmed, participants can expect to:

- ▶ Have their learning and non-learning needs and career goals assessed, and an agreed Work and Learning Plan developed
- ▶ Refer participant to support services & identify opportunities for community participation
- ▶ Receive support to commence and stay in Vocational Education and Training (VET) at a provider that best suits their needs
- ▶ Receive ongoing support as they transition to employment or further training
- ▶ Receive some assistance towards fees for an agreed accredited course



Who Can Access The Reconnect Program

To be eligible for the program participants must:

- ▶ Be aged between 17-19 years of age & not engaged in education or training for six months or more, & currently not enrolled at school
- ▶ Be aged between 20-64 years & unemployed for six months or more (working less than 8 hours per week) & not engaged in education or training for six months or more (studying less than 8 hours per week)
- ▶ Young People impacted by the Justice System: Aged 17-24 years who have been, or are currently on, Youth Justice Orders
- ▶ Asylum Seekers: A person without citizenship but holds a valid Bridging Visa Class E (BVE); Safe Haven Enterprise Visa (SHEV); or Temporary Protection Visa (TPV)



Applications Are Also Encouraged By The Following Equity Groups

- ▶ Parents returning to work
- ▶ Indigenous Australians
- ▶ People with a disability
- ▶ People with low literacy & numeracy
- ▶ Highly marginalised groups such as drug & alcohol dependents or homeless

