

Media release

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Apply now to represent the multicultural interests of your region

The Victorian Multicultural Commission (VMC) is looking for community representatives to become part of eight Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) across the state.

The deadline has been extended and applications to join one of the VMC's new Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) will now be accepted until **Friday 4 November**.

If you are involved in multicultural community affairs, and you have the passion and knowledge to champion the multicultural interests of your region, we encourage you to apply now.

As a member of a RAC you will use your knowledge and understanding of the important multicultural affairs issues in your region, to support culturally and linguistically diverse communities.

You will use your multicultural networks across local communities to help promote the benefits of cultural and religious diversity.

RACs will meet three times per year and while you will be giving your time voluntarily, you will be eligible for reimbursement for travel and other expenses.

Who can apply?

- individuals (not representing a group)
- Local government representatives
- people who can represent service providers with a focus on multicultural communities, and
- people who can represent local business organisations.

If you, or someone you know, understands the needs of local multicultural communities in your region and has the vision and skills needed to help the VMC promote unity, understanding and harmony, submit your Expression of Interest by **Friday 4 November 2011**.

For further information on the Regional Advisory Councils and how to apply visit www.multicultural.vic.gov.au or call the VMC on **9651 0681**.

