

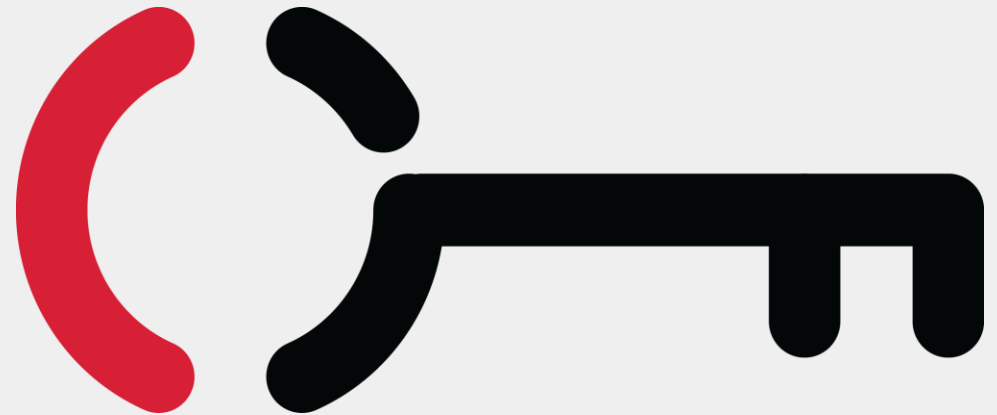
# Local Drug Action Teams

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# What is the **LDAT** Program?

- Local communities taking action against alcohol and other drug harm
- Impactful prevention programs and activities
- Place-based approaches led by community organisations
- A national program with over 270 local drug action teams



# How does it **work**?

- Community Action Plans (CAP)
- Evidence-based and tailored to local community
- Community consultation and co-design
- Support, resources and guidance from the ADF



# What do **LDATs** do?

Address local problems in a variety of ways including:

- Education and Awareness Campaigns
- Peer Support Programs
- Parenting Programs
- Community Events and Workshops





# Community Impact

## Northern Mallee LDAT

- **Need:** limited recreational activities for young people after school
- **Community:** love playing sports
- **Toolkit:** Creating Social Connection, Belonging and Purpose
- **Solution:** Free late night basketball competitions where young people can connect with peers and service providers
- **Result:** increased levels of social and community connection, increased awareness of AOD services and local community assistance



# Why this work **matters**

**135,179**

hospitalisations are related  
to alcohol and drug use<sup>1</sup>

**1,900**

deaths are caused  
by alcohol use<sup>2</sup>

**2,356**

deaths are caused  
by drug use<sup>1</sup>

There are more unintentional deaths from drug use  
than deaths caused by road traffic accidents<sup>1</sup>

The social and economic cost of alcohol  
use is estimated to be around

**\$74.9 billion<sup>3</sup>**

The projected cost of drug use\*  
is approximately

**\$29.7 billion<sup>3</sup>**

# Get involved

- Become a member or partner in the Melton LDAT
- Reduce AOD harm in your community
- Support program delivery, collaborate with other local organisations
- Deliver impactful programs



# Thank **you!**

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