

## How do I prepare for an emergency?

Would you know what to do if a disaster struck?

**Red Cross** has resources to support you to get prepared, including creating an emergency plan and building an emergency kit.

Create your emergency plan today by visiting [redcross.org.au/prepare](https://redcross.org.au/prepare).

Get this info on the go by downloading the **Get Prepared** app onto your device. Store all your necessary information in one place so it's on hand before, during, and after a disaster.

Red Cross is an independent humanitarian aid agency that acts as a key partner in the Victorian Emergency Management network.

## What do I pack in my emergency kit?

Be ready for a flood or storm by preparing your emergency kit. Red Cross and VICSES suggest having these essential items ready to go when you leave.

- > Printed copy of your emergency plan
- > Battery-powered radio
- > Mobile phone
- > Torches
- > Chargers for your devices
- > Spare batteries (in a range of sizes)
- > Basic foods that don't require heating or cooling
- > Bottled water
- > Warm, waterproof clothing and comfortable shoes
- > Medication and prescriptions
- > Passport and important documents (printed or on USB)
- > Basic toiletries including sunscreen
- > First aid kit
- > Pet essentials
- > Cash

## How do I prepare for floods and storms?

Know what to do in floods and storms with **VICSES**, the control agency for floods, storms, landslides, earthquakes, and tsunamis in Victoria.

Learn how to prepare your home and your family by visiting [ses.vic.gov.au](https://ses.vic.gov.au).



## Where do I find out what's going on?

Knowing where to find accurate and up-to-date information is vital in an emergency. Having access to a range of tools will help you understand what's happening in your community.

### > Download the VicEmergency App

Hotline 1800 226 226 | [emergency.vic.gov.au/prepare](https://emergency.vic.gov.au/prepare)

### > Access Essential Information

Country Fire Authority (CFA) [cfa.vic.gov.au](https://cfa.vic.gov.au)

Victorian State Emergency Service (VICSES) [ses.vic.gov.au](https://ses.vic.gov.au)

### > Listen to Emergency Broadcasters

Alpine Radio [alpineradio.com.au](https://alpineradio.com.au)

Kiewa Valley **96.5FM**

Ovens Valley **92.9FM**

Harrietville **94.5FM**

ABC Goulburn Murray [abc.net.au/radio/goulburnmurray](https://abc.net.au/radio/goulburnmurray)

Kiewa Valley **106.5FM**

Bright **89.7FM**

Myrtleford **91.7FM**

## Alpine Valley Vibes

ALWAYS LIVE, Live Nation Special Events, and Alpine Shire Council are bringing one of the country's biggest pop stars to the Alpine Shire to headline **Alpine Valley Vibes** on Saturday 12 November 2022.

Multiple ARIA award-winning R&B/pop artist, songwriter and actress, Jessica Mauboy, will headline Alpine Valley Vibes joined by ARIA-award winner Illy, talented singer/songwriter Gretta Ray and Sydney garage rock 4-piece The Buoys, as well as a line up of local performers and special guests.

Buy your tickets now by visiting [moshtix.com.au/v2/event/alpine-valley-vibes-2022/143564](https://moshtix.com.au/v2/event/alpine-valley-vibes-2022/143564).



## WHAT HAS BEEN FUNDED?

In December 2021, the Myrtleford and District Landcare and Sustainability Group identified a need for approximately 2.5km of new walking trails to be constructed on and around Reform Hill in Myrtleford.

Two new trails have been constructed that provide opportunities for locals and visitors alike to access new areas on Reform Hill, promoting nature-based activities in the beauty of Myrtleford's great outdoors.

The new trails link to the existing network and highlight recreation opportunities on a different area of the hill. Future planned works will connect the new trails to the developing Halls Road and Mummery Road areas.

This project was completed by the Myrtleford and District Landcare and Sustainability Group thanks to Macpherson's Earthmoving with support from DELWP Ovens and North East Water.

Myrtleford and District Landcare and Sustainability Group welcomes all new members and can be contacted by emailing [myrtlefordlandcare@gmail.com](mailto:myrtlefordlandcare@gmail.com).

This addition to Reform Hill was proudly funded from the Victorian Government's response to the 2019-20 bushfires through the Alpine Shire Council Community Recovery Grants Program.

## What's happening in your community?

**GROW Myrtleford+** is a homegrown charitable fund that supports communities in Myrtleford and surrounding areas.

GROW Myrtleford+ aims to raise donations into a community fund to create grants opportunities for events, projects, and causes that contribute to positive growth and sustainable transitions.

The fund developed in late 2021 in response to a need to grow community connection, liveability, and sustainability.

GROW Myrtleford+ envisions that individuals and groups can contribute to the creation of a vibrant and thriving community.

GROW Myrtleford+ is a sub-fund of the Into Our Hands Community Foundation, which supports communities across the Alpine, Wangaratta, Indigo, and Mansfield local government areas.

Find out more about possibilities now and into the future with GROW Myrtleford+ by visiting [intoourhandsfoundation.com.au/fund/growmyrtleford](https://intoourhandsfoundation.com.au/fund/growmyrtleford).

## Funding opportunities

**FRRR Strengthening Rural Communities - Prepare and Recover** | Grants up to \$25,000 are available for a broad range of initiatives. Round 15 closes 29 November 2022. Visit [frrr.org.au/funding/place/src-prepare-recover](https://frrr.org.au/funding/place/src-prepare-recover) or contact Vivienne McCrory on 1800 170 020 or [info@frrr.org.au](mailto:info@frrr.org.au).

**FRRR Strengthening Rural Communities - Small and Vital** | Grants up to \$10,000 are available for a broad range of community-led initiatives. Round 15 closes 29 November 2022. Visit [frrr.org.au/funding/place/src-small-vital](https://frrr.org.au/funding/place/src-small-vital) or contact Vivienne McCrory on 1800 170 020 or [info@frrr.org.au](mailto:info@frrr.org.au).

**Power Saving Bonus for Victorian Households** | Victorian residential energy account holders are eligible for a \$250 Power Saving Bonus. Find out if you are eligible to apply by visiting [compare.energy.vic.gov.au](https://compare.energy.vic.gov.au).

**Victorian Government Solar for Business Program** | Rebates of up to 50% of the total cost are available for small businesses in Victoria to install approved small-scale solar systems up to 30kW. Find out if you are eligible for a rebate value of up to \$3,500 by visiting [solar.vic.gov.au/site-4/solar-small-business](https://solar.vic.gov.au/site-4/solar-small-business).

**Visit Victoria Regional Events Fund** | Regional communities are invited to apply for funding opportunities that support the acquisition, growth, or planning of events across regional areas. Visit [corporate.visitvictoria.com/events/regional-events](https://corporate.visitvictoria.com/events/regional-events) or contact Tourism North East on 03 5728 2773.

**Indi Funding Finder** | The Federal Member for Indi has comprehensive information on grants available on their website, including how to apply for grants and upcoming opportunities in the region. For more information, visit [helenhaines.grantguru.com.au](https://helenhaines.grantguru.com.au).



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