



CITY OF PORT PHILLIP

Multifaith
NETWORK



OBJECTIVES AND VISION STATEMENT

Preamble:

Port Philip Multifaith Network recognises the Yalukit Wilam Clan of the Boon Wurrung, their diverse stories and traditional belonging to this place. We seek to deepen our sense of place, identity and togetherness by sharing understandings, learnings and stories. We are committed to self-determination for Aboriginal people.

INCLUSIVITY

- To acknowledge and celebrate the traditions of generosity, hospitality and service present in our diverse faith organisations.
- To draw on these traditions in creating a local community which is respectful towards all.

SPIRITUAL HEALTH and WELLBEING

- To acknowledge spirituality as a key component of health and wellbeing.
- To acknowledge and address the 'spiritual poverty' that can exist in a broader culture of materialism and individualism.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

- To activate the social justice principles that underpin all faiths in order to take action against disadvantage and marginalisation and actively pursue the elimination of discrimination.
- To inspire a passion for change and connect community members with opportunities for service.
- To generate understanding and empathy of social justice issues in order to inspire community action for social change.
- To harness 'integral ecology' (the connections between seemingly disparate human needs eg. restoring nature, economic self-sufficiency and political stability) as a unifying concept for the Network's activities

RE-IMAGINING RELIGION

- Our starting point is an understanding that spirituality is an essential part of being human.
- To address religious stereotypes and share what's valuable in faith traditions.
- To express solidarity with all people who are journeying towards meaning.

To draw on the wisdom of spiritual values of our diverse traditions in fostering an inclusive, respectful and compassionate people of Port Phillip.