



Gambler's Help Program

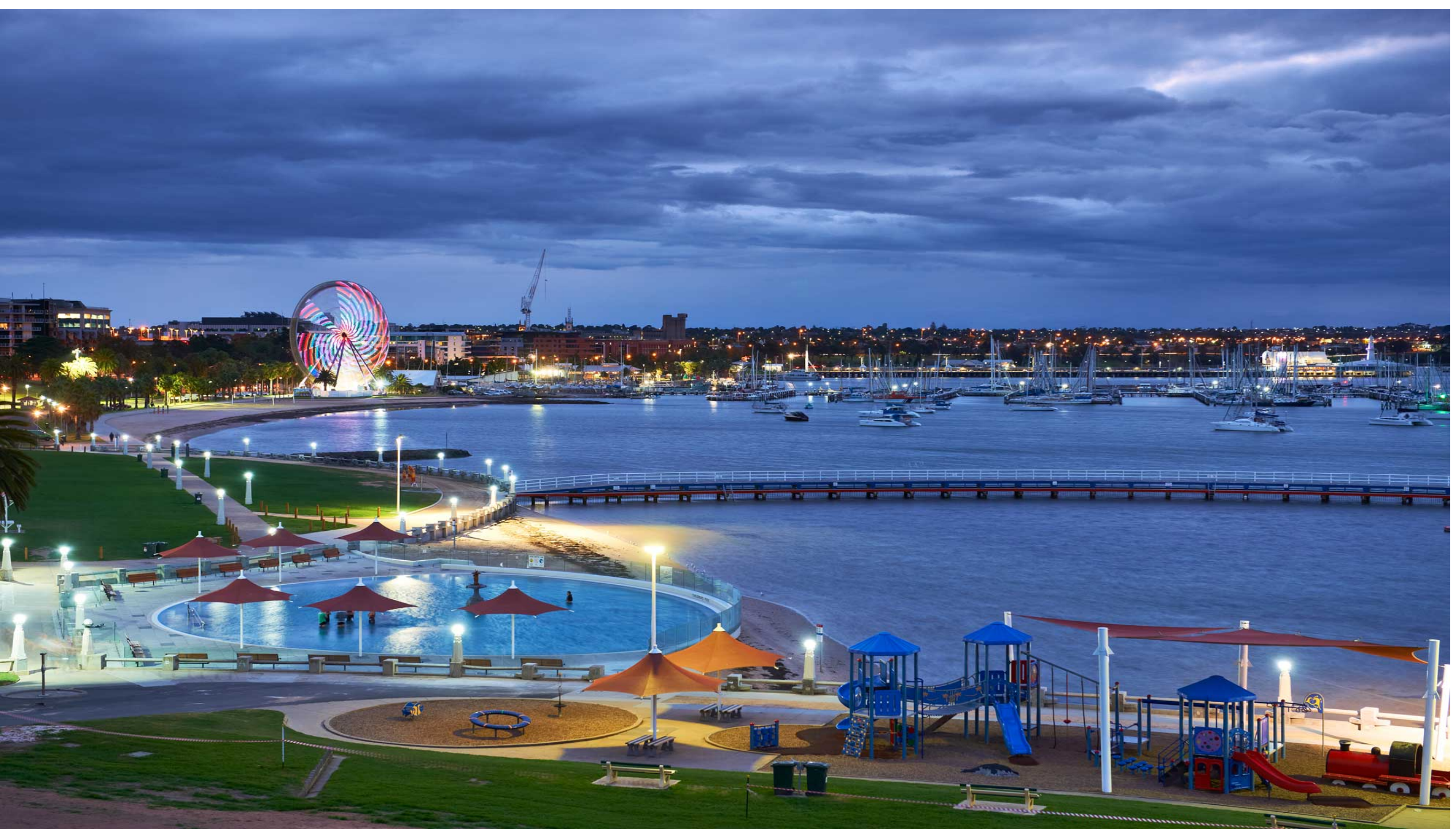
Barwon and Great South Coast

Gambling Harm Conference: Taking Action for Change
Geelong 2018



Area serviced
by Bethany

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The Bethany Story



1868

The Geelong Female Refuge opens. Mrs AJ Campbell is the first President.



1890

Four children are born at the refuge.



1934

136 children have called Bethany home by 1934.



1926

The centre begins operation as Bethany Babies' Home.



1935

Mothercraft Training School opens at Bethany.



1942

Kindergarten training is introduced at Bethany.



1978

Bethany Child and Family Services commences operation.



1977

Bethany Babies' Home closes.



1991

Organisation becomes known as Bethany Family Support Inc.



2002

Organisation becomes known as Bethany Community Support Inc.



2018 Bethany celebrates 150 years!



2017 Bethany Kindergarten Services is formed.



2012 Bethany opens Warrnambool office.



2018 Bethany Men's Family Violence Intervention Centre opens.

Gamblers Help History in Geelong

- 23 years since Bethany first established a gambler's help program.
- 1995 *BreakEven* program funded by Department of Justice
- 2012 Victorian Responsible Gambling Foundation created as an independent entity.

EGM Losses 2017/2018

- Barwon Region - \$125,809,931.00 + \$3,914,041.00
- Great South Coast - \$34,563,788.00 + \$236,303.00

Previous VRGF Projects

Localised Marketing Grant , psycho-educational group work manual, Starting the Conversation



Effective Support for those seeking help

- Provide treatment and support across multiple platforms
- Build Capacity to improve pathways

Bethany Men's Family Violence Intervention Centre

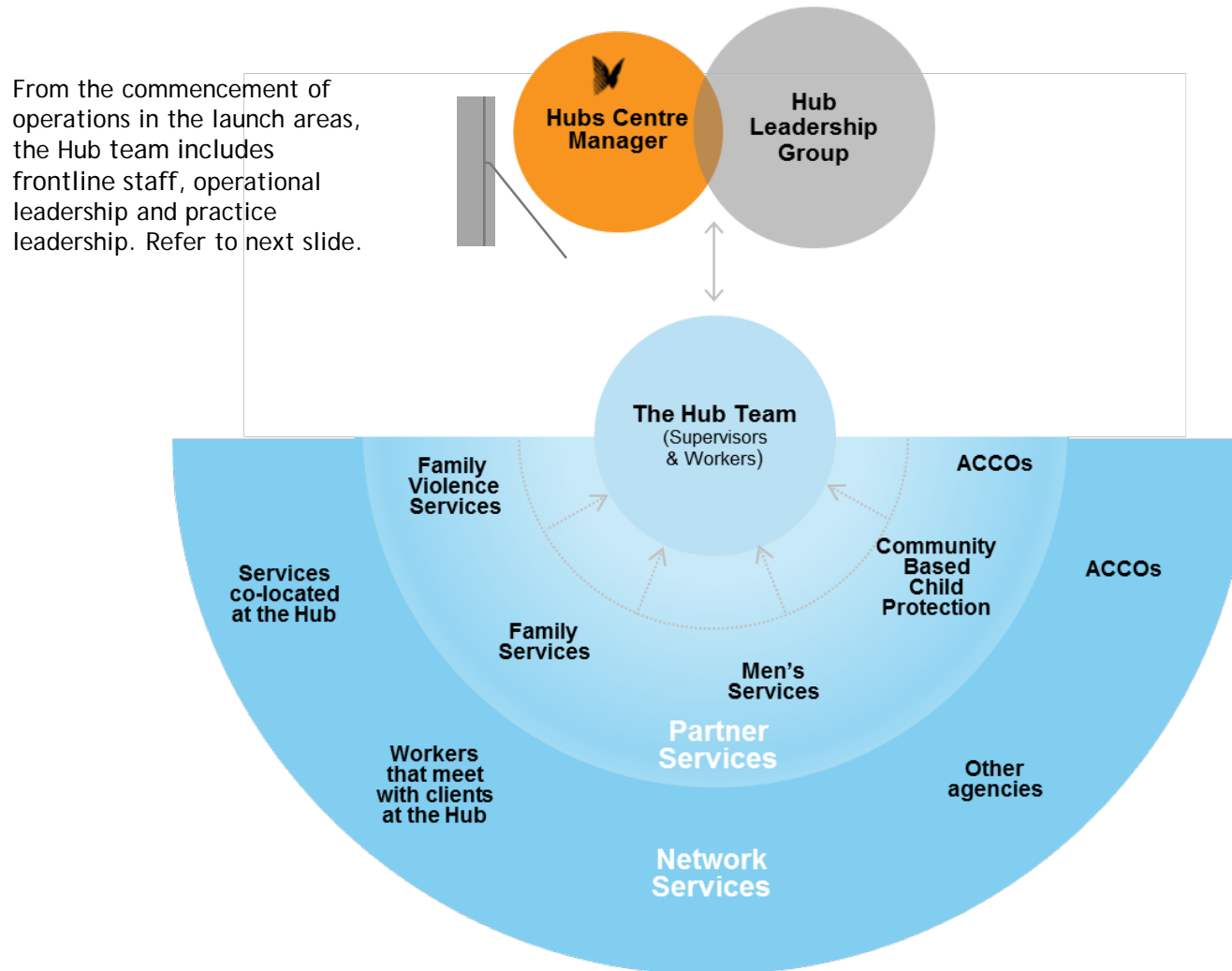
Bethany has demonstrated experience and expertise in the area of family violence having provided specialist family violence services in the Barwon and South West region for the past 17 years.

As the sole provider for male perpetrator work in the Geelong area, Bethany is uniquely placed to deliver this important initiative.

The Centre will provide services including:

- Individual assessment and treatment for male perpetrators of family violence
- Men's case management for male perpetrators of family violence
- Fathering programs
- Drug and alcohol counselling
- Gamblers Help counselling
- Financial counselling
- Housing and homelessness response

Geelong Pilot Site for Support and Safety Hub (Orange Door)



- **Partner services:** These comprise the services in each area who are partnering to make up the Hub.
- **Core services:** These comprise all of the organisations and agencies that provide specialist family violence services, family services and perpetrator/men's services in the area, including those who are partnering to make up the Hub.
- **Broader network services:** These comprise the range of health, justice, community and education services in the area.

Working in Rural and Regional Areas

- Use of technology
- Access to professional development and networks
- Natural Disasters

Prevention Grant

“A Young Person’s Message”

Explore young people and community perspective of youth gambling within rural and regional communities

Regional Prison Precinct

- Barwon Prison Maximum Security - 470 beds
- Karreenga Prison Protection Security - 300 beds
- Margoneet Prison – Medium Security - 550 beds
- New Prison Maximum Security – 700 beds

Lived Experience

- Psycho-educational and recreational group
- Reconnect to community and reduce social isolation
- Living the Experience: Stories of Hope

Brendan's Gambling Journey