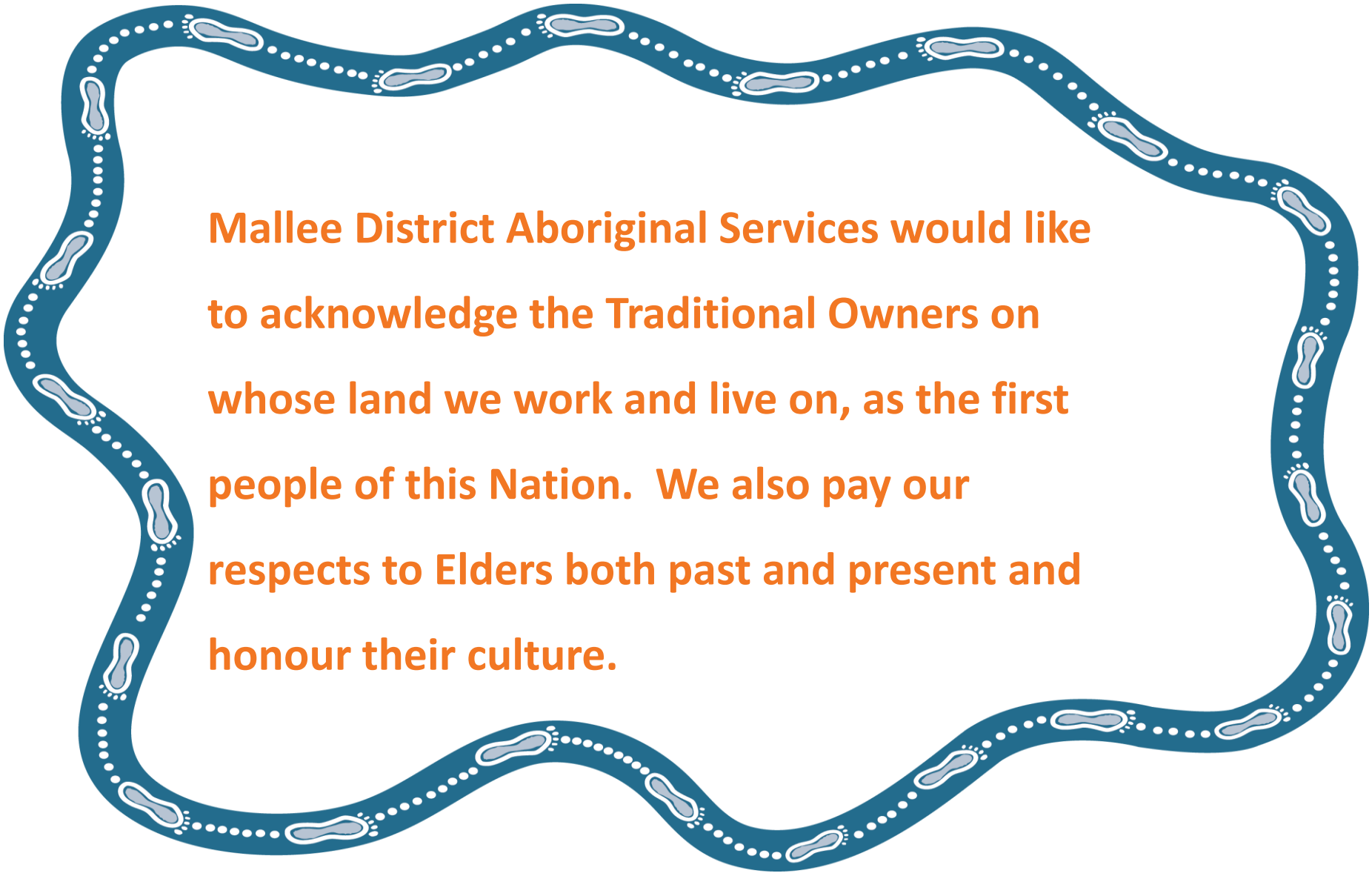




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MALLEE DISTRICT ABORIGINAL SERVICES





Mallee District Aboriginal Services would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners on whose land we work and live on, as the first people of this Nation. We also pay our respects to Elders both past and present and honour their culture.

Gambling in Aboriginal Communities

We can only prevent what we understand





There is very little known about gambling in Victorian Aboriginal communities which makes it difficult to design effective responses.



Two Aboriginal Gambler's Help services have decided to tackle this issue directly by undertaking their own research.

The Victorian Responsible Gambling Foundation is supporting both research projects.





The Mallee District Aboriginal Service is investigating gambling in the Mallee Aboriginal community. The study will consider both social benefits of the gambling, as well as any associated harms.

Gippsland & East Gippsland Aboriginal Coop is looking at gambling in the Gippsland Aboriginal communities and particularly how it affects young people.





Both Aboriginal services are working with Drs Sarah MacLean and Mary Whiteside from LaTrobe University in the design and conduct of the research.

The objectives of the project are to identify:

- 1) What kinds of gambling are popular within the Mildura Aboriginal community and why;**
- 2) Whether any harms are associated with this gambling;**
- 3) Identify what, if anything people believe needs to be done in response to gambling.**

The study will consider both social benefits of the gambling, as well as any associated harms.

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