

A Visit to Broadford Living and Learning Centre SOCIAL STORY



Broadford Victoria 3658

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I am going to visit Broadford Living and Learning Centre.



Broadford Living and Learning Centre is a Neighbourhood House.

It is a place where I can get involved in community activities and programs and meet new people.



The centre is open:

- 9am to 4pm Monday to Thursday
- 8am to 3pm Fridays.



People who work at the centre are called staff.

Staff are here to help visitors.



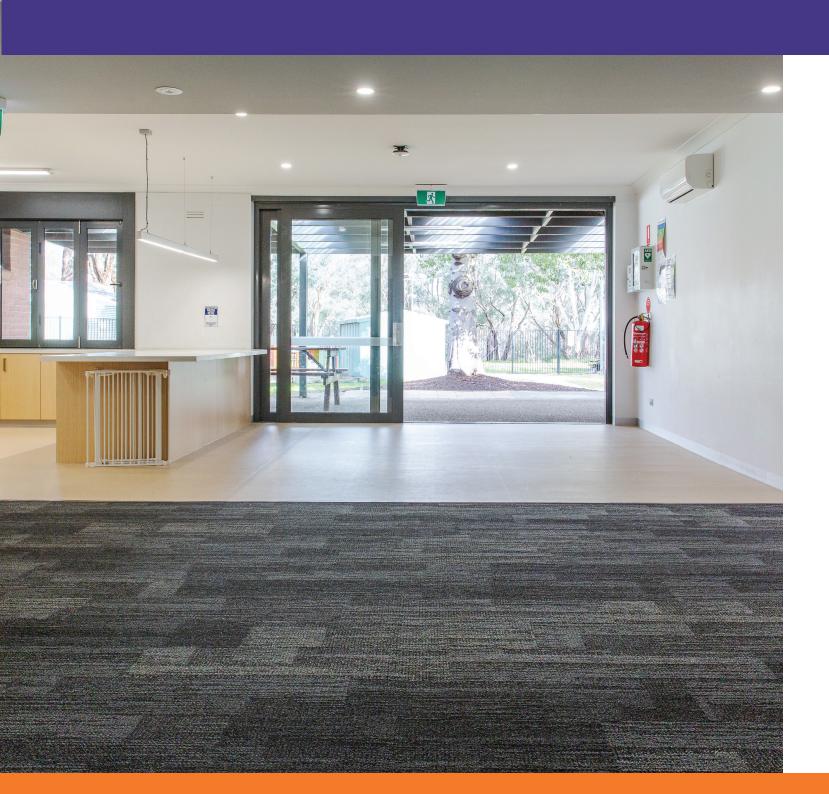
There are toilets.

A staff member can show me where they are.

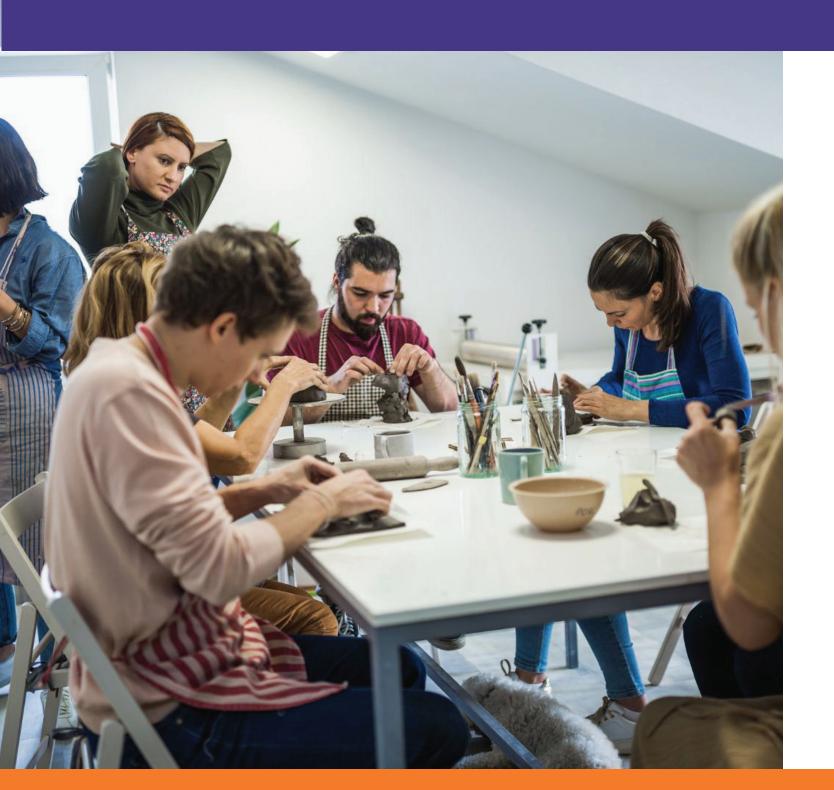


The centre runs programs and activities.

Joining a program or activity is a great way for me to meet new people and learn new skills.



Programs and activities happen in the Multipurpose Room.



The types of programs or activities I might like are:

- Men's Shed
- Kids Play Space
- Mitchell Photography Group
- Love in Action Broadford Food Support Program
- craft groups
- walking groups
- senior strength classes.



I can try a program or activity for free.

If I want to go back and keep doing the same activity or program, I can ask the person in charge for details about how much it costs and the different ways I can pay for it.



Programs may change.

A timetable is available that lists the current programs and activities.

I can visit the centre or call on 03 5784 4006 to ask for a timetable.



The centre is a friendly and safe place to visit.

This makes it helpful for people to relax and enjoy their time.

The centre is a drop-in centre.

This means I do not need an appointment to visit the centre.





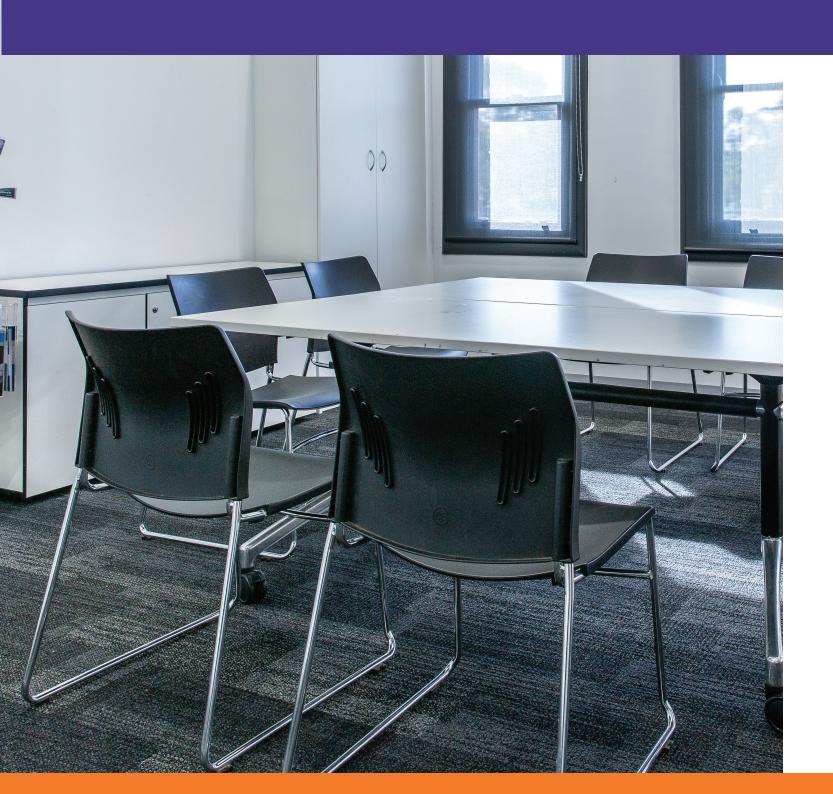
There is a kitchen where I can make myself something to eat or drink.

There is an outdoor area with a playground.



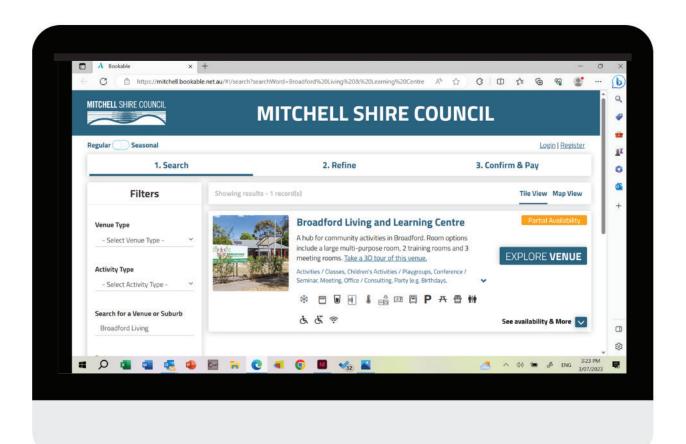
I can talk to other people who are visiting the centre.

Staff might tell me about other programs, activities and supports in my local community.



The centre has rooms for hire.

The rooms can be hired for private events like children's parties or for professional events like meetings.



Rooms for hire are:

- the multipurpose room and kitchen
- training rooms
- meeting rooms.

I can learn more about rooms for hire and how to book <u>online</u>.

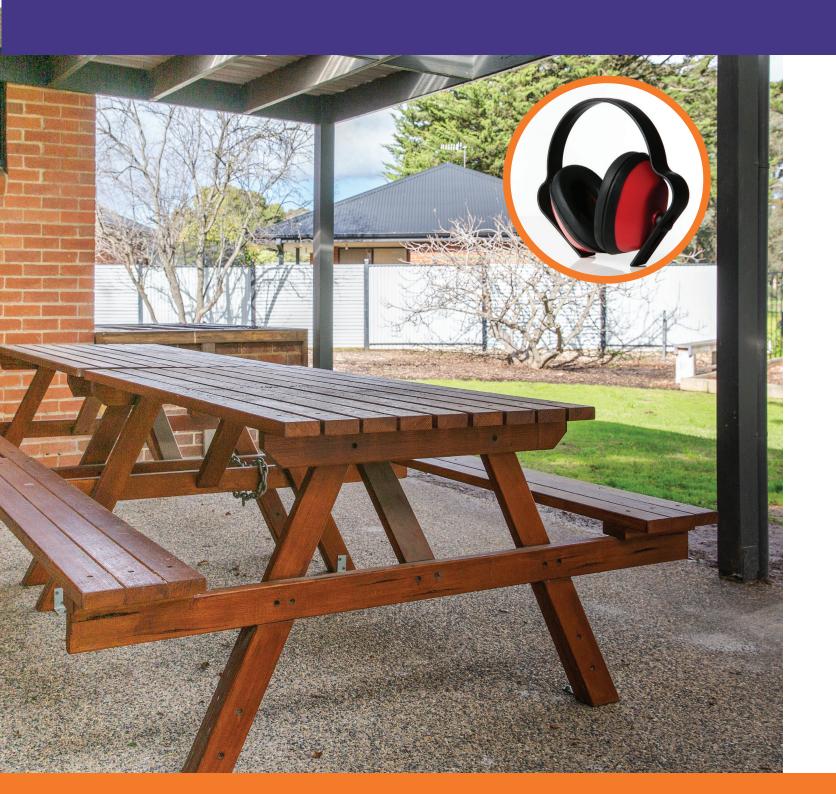


Sometimes there might be lots of people at the centre.

I might hear music.

I might hear children playing.

Sometimes the sounds might be too loud for me.



I can wear my headphones or ear plugs to help with the noise.

I can go outside for some quiet time.

I can ask a staff member if there is a quiet meeting room to relax.



When at the centre, it is important that I respect others by:

- speaking nicely to people
- not smoking or drinking alcohol.



Broadford Living and Learning Centre is a great place to meet new people and get involved in community programs and activities.

