



A Visit to Greater Beveridge Community Centre SOCIAL STORY



GREATER BEVERIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE
Corner Lithgow Street and Mandalay Circuit
Beveridge Victoria 3753

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I am going to visit
Greater Beveridge
Community Centre.



Greater Beveridge Community Centre is a place where I can get involved in activities and programs and meet new people.



The centre is open
8:30am to 5pm,
Monday to Friday.



People who work at the centre are called staff.

Staff are there to help visitors.



There are toilets that include an accessible toilet and baby change table.

A staff member can show me where they are.



Some important services at the centre include:

- a small library that has books for loan
- kindergarten
- maternal and child health services - a phone booking is required
- an immunisation clinic that runs monthly.



The centre runs programs, training and workshops for people of all ages.

This a great way for me to meet new people and learn new skills.



Programs, training and workshops happen in the community rooms.



To see what is available, I can go online and click on the [“What’s On” link.](#)

To book a program, I need to call the phone number listed under each program on the What’s On Link.

Some programs are free and some cost money.

Programs may change.



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 fairy garden outside.

There is a coffee machine in the foyer area with free coffee.

There is free wi-fi and power points for me to connect or charge my devices.

If I have children with me, I will need to look after them when we are inside the centre and in the fairy garden.



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 parties or for professional events like meetings.



Rooms for hire are:

- a community room with a kitchen attached
- a meeting room
- three consulting rooms.

I can learn more about rooms for hire and how to book [online](#).



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 get some fresh air in the fairy garden.

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



Greater Beveridge Community Centre is a wonderful place to connect with other people in my community and learn new skills.



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