



Working together to meet the changing needs and aspirations of people in their communities.

Bethany is a not-for-profit community service organisation providing services to people living in the Barwon Region and South West Victoria.

Bethany's Services

To access Bethany's services in the Barwon region, please phone **(03) 5278 8122** or talk to your worker.

To access Bethany's services in the South West Victoria region, please phone **1300 510 439** or talk to your worker.

Access to Early Learning

Family centred program that identifies three-year-old children from families with complex needs.

Barwon Orange Door

Bethany is a service provider located within the Barwon Orange Door. The Orange Door is a free service for adults, children and young people who are experiencing or have experienced family violence and families who need extra support with the care of children.

Phone 1800 312 820.

Children's Contact Service

Supervised access to children of separated parents to re-establish and/or maintain a relationship with their non-resident parent.

Child and Family Services

Services for families and carers for the safety and wellbeing of children including Kinship Care, Family Services and Parenting.

Community Education*

Providing education to community groups, including schools and sporting groups about how to recognise and help problem gamblers.

Connect Up

Designed to improve the educational, health and welfare outcomes for children and families, Bethany places family services workers within local schools and kindergartens to provide a range of family support services for parents and children through group and individual services.

Court Support 4 Kids

Support for children at the Geelong Magistrates Court whose mothers are seeking legal protection in relation to family violence. Support, child engagement, advocacy, risk assessment and information are provided.

Directions

A responsive and flexible centralised intake service for people accessing Bethany directly in person, by phone or through the website during working hours.

Emergency Relief*

Emergency financial and material aid support to families and individuals experiencing financial stress in Geelong and Warrnambool.

Employee Assistance Program – Fee for Service

Bethany provides Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to local businesses – a confidential counselling service available to any employee of a member organisation who requires assistance with issues affecting their wellbeing, either personally or at the workplace.

Family Preservation and Reunification Response*

Provides support for highly vulnerable families who are at risk of family breakdown and the children being placed in or re-entering out of home care.

Family and Relationship Services

Emergency financial and material aid support to families and individuals experiencing financial stress in Geelong and Warrnambool.

Family Services*

Intensive casework and support to highly vulnerable children and their families experiencing issues in family functioning where there is a risk to children's safety and wellbeing.

Family Violence Services

Assistance for women and children experiencing family violence through casework, group work and therapeutic support.

Men's behaviour change and case management programs for male perpetrators of family violence.

Financial Counselling*

Counselling and support for people experiencing financial stress by providing information, advice and advocacy.

Gambler's Help*

Free and confidential problem gambling service that offers specialised therapeutic and financial counselling services to people experiencing harm from gambling as well as their partners and close family members.

Housing Services*

Assistance for families, couple, single women and children who are homeless or at risk of homeless through case management, tenancy support and access to supported accommodation.

Kindergarten Services

Early childhood education programs for three and four-year-old children delivered from 22 kindergartens and preschools across the Greater Geelong and Queenscliff region.

New Parent Infant Network – NEWPIN

Support, education and development of parenting skills to highly vulnerable preschool children and their mothers through centre-based and outreach support.

School Readiness

School Readiness funding supports government-funded kindergartens to improve children's outcomes in communication, social and emotional wellbeing, and access and inclusion. Bethany runs two School Readiness Programs: Working with Vulnerable Children and Connect Up.

Specialist Disability Family Services

Address the challenges many vulnerable families experience with accessing disability support needs, particularly those available through the NDIS.

Supported Playgroups

Playgroups connect families to community and provide a place for parents to develop skills and for children to learn.

Tenancy Assistance and Advocacy program

Provides tenancy assistance and advocacy support to people who are financially disadvantaged or victims of family violence.

Therapeutic Services

Individual or family counselling to support adult relationship, and for children experiencing parental separation.