

# What is Project V ?

Project V is an initiative of the City of Albany and Albany & Regional Volunteer Service based on feedback from Community Groups via a recent survey.

It is an opportunity for members from community groups (usually from the committee) to get together and learn from each other.

The project acknowledges that we have a rich diverse community of people who through their experiences of being part of a community group or even through their professional lives have skills and stories that could help resolve situations/issues that other community groups are experiencing.

Each Project V event will be hosted by one of our community organisations. The host organisation will have 15 minutes to show case their organisation and venue (if applicable). The subject of the talk matter will vary – it may be sharing the successes from a recent project or initiative, or maybe sharing some lessons learnt from something that didn't go the way it was intended. Maybe it is about a recent training or resource they found.

Following the talk, there will be opportunity to network and talk with other members.

## What's in it for me?

The aim of Project V is to give attendees an opportunity:

- To raise their community group's issues groups and receive different ideas and strategies for how they can address the issue
- To share resources and promote their organisation
- To share their successes – it could be an event, overcoming an issue, obtaining funding or going through the process of reviewing a constitution.
- To expand ideas, resources and skills that could improve your community organisation (which also may help you professionally).
- To provide new contacts and new networks
- To support and other community groups
- To give feedback on what training community groups require

## What is the commitment?

Project V is not something that you HAVE to attend regularly. You may choose to only attend if are interested in finding out more about the host organisation, or if you have someone you wish to talk to some of the others about. Obviously if you are the host organisation then we would hope that you would let us know your plans have changed so we can arrange for another organisation to host.

## Can I bring other people?

Of course – some venues may have limits on numbers though due to size, so please RSVP so we can make sure we are not squished in like sardines.

## How long does it go for?

One hour

## How long will the talks last?

15 minutes with 5 minutes for questions afterwards. Talks can be shorter. Some host organisations may wish to do a short presentation – a data projector can be provided if necessary.

## How do I know when the next one is?

You can request to be added to the mailing list by contacting the Albany & Regional Volunteer Service on 9841 3588 or email [volinfo@arvs.org.au](mailto:volinfo@arvs.org.au) alternatively, Project V events will be advertised on the City of Albany website <http://www.albany.wa.gov.au/your-community/community-programs-general/>

## Questions or queries about Project V?

Contact Tracy at ARVS on 9841 3588 or Tammy Flett, City of Albany on 9841 9294