Southern Homelessness Services Network
Networking Forum and Expo

Wednesday, 29 October 2025
No 1 Events @ Malvern Valley Golf Course

AGENDA

Forum Facilitators:	Maurya Bourandanis and Chris Reid
	Southern Homelessness Services Network Lived Experience Members
9.15am	**Registration and Expo**
	Please visit our agency expo after you register and chat to staff about their work
9.45am	**Welcome**
	Maurya Bourandanis and Chris Reid
	Southern Homelessness Services Network Lived Experience Members
10.00am	**The SHSN and our work**
	Ruth Gordon
	Coordinator, Southern Homelessness Services Network
10.15am	**Housing First Scholarship Presentation**
	Zach Biggin
	Coordinator, Melbourne Street to Home, Launch Housing
10.50am	**Community Safety and Criminalising Homelessness**
	Jess Richter
	Legal Director, Southside Justice
11.15am	**Speed Networking Instructions:**
	You have 5 minutes to talk to each person in your group.
	After 5 minutes swap to talk to someone else in your group.
	Questions: Name, Agency and Position
	Briefly explain your work
	What is the best thing about your work (highlight)?
	What is the worst thing about your work (lowlight)?

Agenda continued

12.00pm	**Workshops – choose <u>one</u> of the following topics:**
	(take a chair and move to the workshop sign)

• **Family violence & homelessness**	• **First Nations homelessness**
• **Housing First**	• **IAP/Entry points Issues**
• **Rough sleeping/Advance to Zero**	• **Transitional housing & support**
• **Lived experience of homelessness**	• **Mental health & homelessness**
• **Health and homelessness**	• **Young people & homelessness**

12.50pm	**Summing up and Evaluation**
1.00pm	**Forum Close**
1.00pm – 2.00pm	**Networking Lunch and Expo**
	Please visit our agency expo before you leave and chat to staff about their work

Thank you for your participation!

Forum Evaluation

Please go to https://forms.office.com/r/nYbkZChX2M
or use the QR code to complete the evaluation Survey.

The SHSN will put together a report from the Forum proceedings.

The report will use photos taken today. Please advise if you do not want your photo used by emailing
ruth.gordon@launchhousing.org.au

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