

## FAITH & COMMUNITY GROUPS REPRESENTED AT THE 2018 VICTORIAN INTERFAITH NETWORKS CONFERENCE:

Registered number of people: 337

During registration, attendees were asked which faith they belong to. Not all chose to answer (42 people did not answer). Here is the summary of faiths/denominations represented from those who answered this question:

Christian: 137 (46%) - Other Religions: 158 (54%)

## **Christian/Denomination:**

Christian (General): 57 Christian/Catholic: 26 Christian/Uniting: 9 Christian/Orthodox: 9

Christian/Church of God: 6

Christian/Anglican: 4 Christian/Baptist: 4 Christian/Protestant: 3 Christian/Lutheran: 2

Christian/Church of Christ: 1 Church of Latter-day Saints: 16

## Other Religions/Faiths:

Islam/Muslim: 40

Baha'i: 35 Hindu: 24 Sikh: 19 Buddhist: 13 Jewish: 6

Interfaith/Multifaith: 6

Zoroastrian: 2 Sathya Sai: 2 Brahma Kumari: 2

Spiritual/Interspirituality: 2 Secular Mindfulness: 1

Cao Dai: 1

Church of Scientology: 1 Philosophical Taoism: 1

FFWPU: 1 Philosopher: 1 Athiest: 1



During registration, attendees were asked which organisation they were representing. Here is the summary of faith and community organisations:

**Peak Bodies:** Faith Communities Council of Victoria, Bahais of Australia, Board Of Imams Victoria, Brahma Kumaris Australia, Buddhist Council of Victoria, Ethnic Communities Council of Victoria, Hindu Council of Australia (Vic), Islamic Council of Victoria, Jewish Community Council of Victoria, Sikh Interfaith Council of Victoria, Victorian Council of Churches, Supreme Sikh Council of Australia.

Local Interfaith Networks: Ballarat Interfaith Network, Bendigo Interfaith Council, Boroondara Interfaith Network, Brimbank Maribyrnong Interfaith Network, Cardinia Interfaith Network, COMMON, Darebin Interfaith Council, Geelong Interfaith Network, Glen Eira Interfaith Network, Hobson's Bay Interfaith Network, Interfaith Network of the City of Greater Dandenong, Kingston Interfaith Network, Knox Interfaith Network, Manningham Interfaith Network, Melton Interfaith Network, Monash Interfaith Gathering, Moonee Valley Interfaith Network, Mornington Peninsula Interfaith Network, Port Phillip Multifaith Network, Shepparton Interfaith Network, Whitehorse Interfaith Network, Whittlesea Interfaith Network, Womens Interfaith Network, Yarra Interfaith Network.

Multifaith/Interfaith Initiatives: Australian Response to Climate Change/ Greenfaith, Building Bridges, Ecumenical and Interfaith Commission, Jewish Christian Muslim Association of Australia (JCMA), Multifaith Youth Network, Religions For Peace (RfP), United Religions Initiative (URI), Victorian Council of Churches Emergencies Ministry, Victorian Council of Churches Commission on Living Faiths, Victoria Police Multifaith Youth Network.

**Educational Bodies:** Bhutanese Nepali Ethnic School Melbourne, Caulfield Grammar School, Deakin University, RMIT University, Swinburne Multi Faith Centre.

Federal/State/Local Government Bodies: Australian Human Rights Commission, Australian Greens Victoria, Australian Government Department of Human Services, City of Brimbank, City of Darebin, City of Maribyrnong, City of Melton, City of Wyndham, Commission for Children and Young People, Department of Health and Human Services, Victorian Multicultural Commission, Victoria Police.

Faith Organisations: Al-Taqwa mosque, Altona-Newport Mosque, Atisha Centre in Bendigo, Ashburton Uniting Church, Beit Aharon Synagogue, Burwood Heights Uniting Church, Cairnlea Ward Deer Park Stake, Christ Church (Anglican) in South Yarra, Craigieburn-Wallan Uniting Church, Datta Yoga Centre Australia, Franciscan Community (St Paschal) in Box Hill, Holy Trinity in Williamstown, Holy Trinity St Nicholas Russian Catholic Church, International Society for Krishna Consciousness, Our Lady's in Sunshine, Planetshakers City Church, Plum Village Australia, York Street Church of Christ in Ballarat, St Johns Anglican Church in East Malvern, St Mary's in Altona, St. Michael's, St. Paul's in Boronia, Sunshine Uniting Church, Westgate Baptist Community

**Other Organisations:** 3ZZZ Radio, Australian-Filipino Community Services, Comm Unity Plus, Marlow Consulting, Siara Community, Kurdish Yasna Organisation for the development of Zoroastrian philosophy of Victoria, Pehchan International Inc, Radermacher & Associates, Ravenhall Correctional Centre,

## **Related Articles and Videos:**

http://faithvictoria.org.au/news-a-articles/741-vinc-2018 (2018 VINC summary)

https://www.amust.com.au/2018/11/interfaith-conference-highlights-gambling-harm/

https://vimeo.com/301805560/c9fbb3c6de (Commander Stuart Bateson)

https://vimeo.com/301790491/31a1a4d6d1 (Reverend Tim Costello)