

Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2021 - 2025

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CITY OF WEST TORRENS



Easy English

Hard words



This book has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

- the word is in **blue**

- we write what the hard word means.

You can get help with this book



You can get someone to help you

- read this book

- know what this book is about



- find more information.

We will write contact information at the end of this book.

Acknowledgement of Country



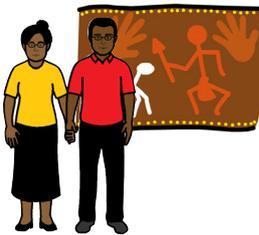
The City of West Torrens **respects** the **First Australians**.



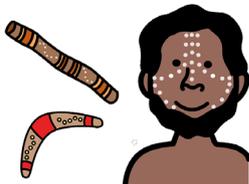
Respect means we understand that our community is built on First Australians land.



The First Australians are the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



In West Torrens the First Australians are called the **Kaurna** people.



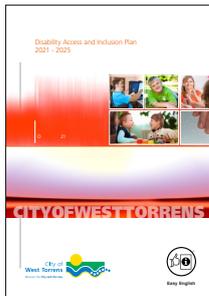
The City of West Torrens understands the importance of the Kaurna people's

- culture
- history.



About this book

This book is from the City of West Torrens.



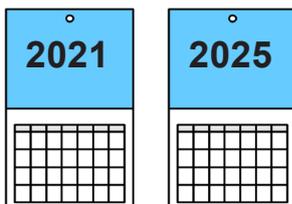
This book is about our **Disability Access and Inclusion Plan**.

We call it the plan.



The plan is about

- how we want to make our city better for people with disability



- what we will do from 2021 to 2025.



Each year we will

- review the plan



- write a report to say how we are doing.

Why did we write the plan?



We want West Torrens to be a good place to live for everyone.



The plan says what we will do to help people with disability

- enjoy life in our community like everyone else



- have the same rights as everyone else.



We **must** follow the law and make sure people with disability have **access**.



Access means everyone can

- get to a place



- use a service



- join an activity.

1	_____
2	_____
3	_____
4	_____

How did we make the plan?

The plan has 4 **goals**.

The goals say what we want for our community.



We made the goals together with our community.



Many people told us their ideas.

For example

- people with disability



- carers



- families



- our staff.

Goal 1

Be an inclusive community



We want more people to feel included in everything our community offers.



We will make it easier for people with disability to

- use our services

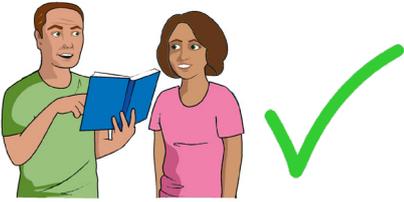


- be active
 - for example, join a sports club



- take part in our programs
 - for example, go to a festival.

What else will we do to include people with disability?

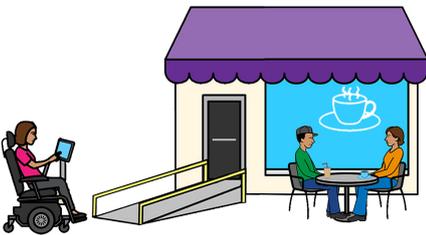


We will also make our information easier to read and understand.



We will make it easier for people with disability to learn something new.

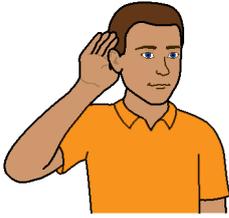
For example, in an art class.



We will tell local businesses how they can be more welcoming for people with disability.

Goal 2

Let people with disability lead



We will listen more to people with disability.



We will make it easier for people with disability to

- tell us what they want and need



- be part of the decisions we make



- vote in council elections



- become a **candidate** in council elections.

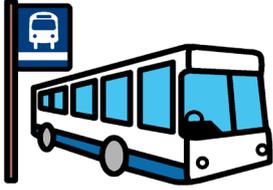
A candidate is a person people can vote for.



We will make our services better for everyone.

Goal 3

Make our community accessible

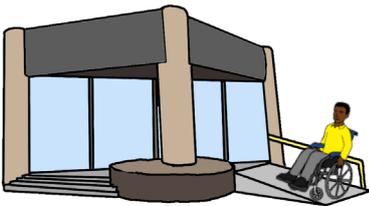


We will make it easier for people with disability to

- travel around our community



- know what activities they can join



- enter buildings



- enjoy parks and other public places.



We will check that all our public places follow **universal design rules**.



Universal design rules say a place **must** be easy to use for all people no matter their ability.

Goal 4

Help more people work and learn



We will do more to help people with disability

- learn new skills



- find a job



- volunteer in our community.



We will train our staff better so they understand

- what people with disability need



- what barriers people with disability face



- how to support people with disability more.

What else will we do?



We will pay for services to make our city better for people with disability.



We will work hard to be a good **advocate** for people with disability.



An advocate is someone who

- speaks up for you



- helps you get your rights.

How will we reach our goals?



We will work to make sure all people in West Torrens

- understand the plan



- know what they can do to help



- work together with us to reach the goals.



More information



For more information contact the
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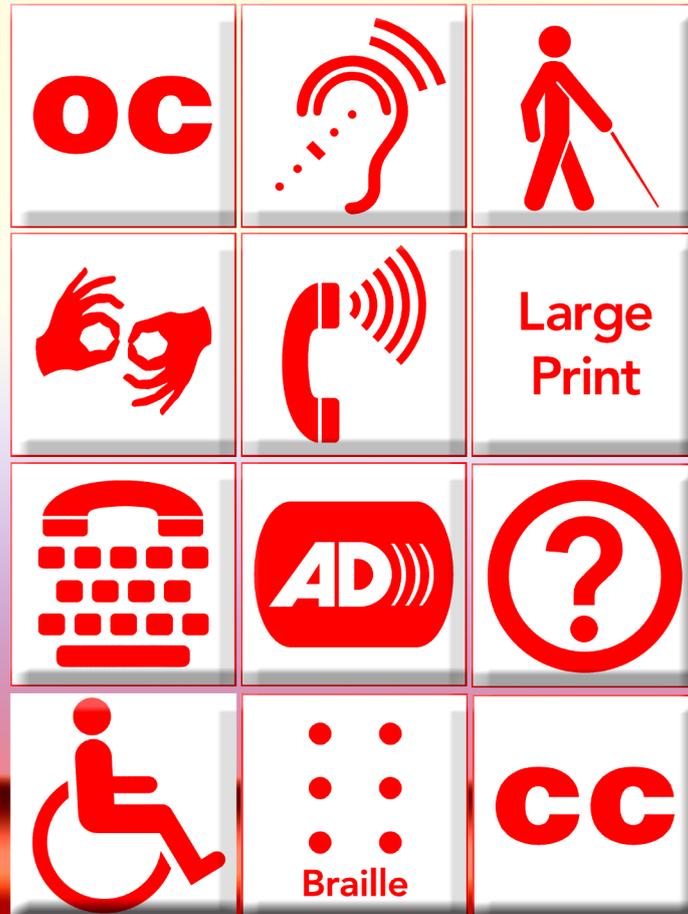
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National Relay Service.

Call 1800 555 660



Website communications.gov.au/accesshub/nrs

Give the relay officer the phone number you
want to call.



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