



COMMUNITY RESPITE CENTRE NOW OPEN IN THE LATROBE VALLEY

A community respite centre is now open in Moe for Latrobe Valley residents to seek temporary respite from the smoky conditions caused by the Morwell Open Cut Fire.

The centre is an initiative of The Victorian Department of Human Services, in conjunction with Latrobe City Council.

The centre is operating inside the **Moe Town Hall, Albert Street, Moe** – 9am – 7pm, subject to local demand.

The centre offers a cool air conditioned space where any resident or visitor can take a break away from the smoky conditions.

Representatives from the following organisations are on hand to offer information and support:

- Latrobe City Council
- Red Cross
- Victorian Council of Churches
- Ambulance Victoria (representing Department of Health)
- Environment Protection Authority (EPA)
- Victoria' Fire Services

Public transport is available to the centre via Latrobe Valley Bus Lines, with a bus stop directly outside the venue.

There is a V/Line station in Moe, which is a short walk from the Moe Town Hall.

The community respite centre offers tea, coffee and biscuits, and current information on the fire situation – including health and environmental fact sheets.

The centre's opening and closing times may vary over coming days, depending on the demand – so residents are urged to contact the Department of Human Services Traralgon office (during business hours) for the most current information on **(03) 5177 2500**