**COMM UNITY PLUS SERVICES LIMITED**

**EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Overview**

The commUnity+ Board is looking for new members for the Community Advisory Committee (CAC). This committee helps the Board to make decisions that include community opinions on how commUnity+ is run.

The CAC also helps commUnity+ understand the strengths and needs of the different communities we work with. We want members of these diverse communities to have a voice in our governance, operations, and advocacy

With our new 2025-28 Strategic Plan launching in May, it's a great time to join us. We want to engage more with communities across Melbourne’s West and North. We invite people who are interested to apply or to contact us for more information.

We are looking for Committee members who represent the full diversity of the communities we serve and share our values: responsive, empowering, collaborative and accountable. We want people who will help commUnity+ become more community-led and -connected.

All roles are voluntary, but we will cover expenses for participation. We are committed to supporting Committee members with mentoring and assistance.

**About commUnity+**

commUnity+ has been providing community services in the Greater Western and Northern areas of Melbourne for many years. We aim to create positive change and support people and communities facing difficulties through various programs, including legal services, education, children’s services, and community engagement.

Our leadership team works hard to make a positive impact for people by helping them connect to learning, work, and justice.

commUnity+ is a registered charity and a training organisation that receives funding from local, state, and federal governments.

Our Board has 10 members with relevant skills and knowledge and three sub-committees: Finance and Risk Management, Governance, and the Community Advisory Committee.

Further information can be found at:

* [commUnity+ Annual Reports](https://www.comm-unityplus.org.au/about-us/annual-reports)
* [commUnity+ Board of Directors](https://www.comm-unityplus.org.au/about-us/governance)

**WE WELCOME APPLICANTS WITH DIVERSE EXPERIENCES**

commUnity+ is especially interested in candidates who offer different perspectives or have experiences that reflect those of the communities we work with, such as:

* Community members who have used commUnity+ programs
* Refugees and asylum seekers
* Migrants and people from diverse cultural backgrounds
* Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
* People with disabilities
* LGBTQIA+ individuals and allies
* People with experiences of disadvantage or marginalisation
* Others with diverse backgrounds

We want applicants who have skills and experience in commUnity+ services, education, community development, marketing or working with Registered Training Organisations (RTOs). We also welcome people who know the communities we serve well as well as sharing our values and understanding the challenges in the community sector. Ideally, you will have experience working in community-focused or purpose-driven organisations.

commUnity+ is a child-safe organisation. Before starting, new Committee members must complete a national Criminal Records Check and have a current Working with Children Check. We will pay for these checks. Committee members must keep these checks up to date.

**How to let us know you are interested**

Nominations for the Community Advisory Committee open on **Tuesday 14 April 2025** and close on **Tuesday 6th May 2025**.  The selection process will take place in May 2025, during which candidates will be invited to attend the launch of our new 2025–28 Strategic Plan in mid-May.

If you wish to apply, please complete and submit the application form and a brief resumé or professional profile to the commUnity+ Executive Administrator Deepika Sharma (she/her) at ceo@comm-unityplus.org.au, using the subject line: **EOI: commUnity+ Community Advisory Committee Application**.

For more information about responsibilities as well as help or advice about your application, please email Interim Director Client Services Sacha Miezis (he/him) at ceo@comm-unityplus.org.au using the subject line: **EOI: commUnity+ Community Advisory Committee – information inquiry**.  Sacha will respond to your enquiry.