

Southern Metro Alcohol Diversion Program



VICTORIA POLICE

Victoria Police identified alcohol related crime was a community safety issue in Greater Dandenong and implemented the Southern Metropolitan Alcohol Diversion Program.

The program focuses on people who come into regular contact with police for the offences of Drunk or Drunk and Disorderly, and have outstanding Sheriff's fines. It aims to provide program participants with fast-tracked access to treatment, services and rehabilitation with the support of the Dandenong Magistrates' Court, Corrections Victoria and treatment providers.

Program benefits include:

- Fast-tracked assessment and treatment for alcohol addiction
- Legal representation at court (Victoria Legal Aid if eligible)
- Improved health and well-being encouraging integration back into your local community
- Opportunities to improve skills in programs likely to improve employment prospects
- A reduction or removal of your outstanding Sheriff's fines when you complete the treatment programs.

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