

# LIONS V DISTRICTS CANCER FOUNDATION INC

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## WE'RE INCORPORATED AND UNDER WAY!

Your most recently incorporated Lions Foundation, the Lions V Districts Cancer Foundation, is now operational and DGR (deductible gift recipient) status is on the way. We now call on V District Lions Clubs to offer their support, by making a donation - helping us to make this most valuable project a reality.

### The concept

Based on the successful Lions Skin Cancer Screening programs in Western Australia and South Australia, the provision of a Skin Screening Unit for Victoria and Southern New South Wales is the Foundation's initial project and is viewed as the next step in achieving a national program, importantly filling an essential service gap in Victoria and Southern New South Wales.

### The need

Australia has one of the highest skin cancer rates in the world. This is nothing to be proud of. With our love of the outdoors and our, at times, harsh climate, as a people we are often exposed to the dangers of excessive amounts of ultra violet radiation.

Despite many campaigns and promotions, people remain ambivalent to checking for possible lesions, and attitudes about sun protection and prevention remain mixed - with many people still not taking adequate measures to protect themselves.

People living in regional areas are more at risk, with mortality rates higher in those areas, which can be attributed to a higher proportion of outdoor workers, poor accessibility to dermatologists and inadequate approaches to sun protection.

Accessibility to skin checks and, in turn, to skin specialists is limited. GP's with suitable vision magnification tools can help, but this method is not as accurate as the use of a dermoscope by a trained practitioner, and still presumes that people are requesting a check of their skin.

A free skin screening service is needed to ensure greater accessibility to service and most importantly, a service that will **save lives!**

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### SKIN CANCER SCREENING UNIT FOR VICTORIA

LIONS V DISTRICTS CANCER FOUNDATION  
Mobile Skin Cancer Check Facility

For a copy of the prospectus or to make a donation, please contact:  
viclionscf@gmail.com  
or call Bruce Hudson on 0412 396 763

*Support us now!*

### Contact Information:

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**Facebook:** Lions V District Cancer Foundation

**Web:** Under construction

**Donations:** Currently, donations can be made through the Victorian Lions Foundation (VLF) Foundation (see over for details)



*Dermoscopy in action*

***“The Foundation gratefully accepts donations to support the screening program.”***

## The Requirements

To make this project a reality, a truck, van, generator and suitable skin check equipment will be needed. We will also need trained dermoscopists - so volunteers are sought and training programs will be needed. Local Lions Clubs will be asked to sponsor and support visits and annual operation costs will need to be covered.

Please contact us if you are interested in volunteering to be part of the resourcing of this exciting program - we need truck drivers, people to train as dermoscopists and, of course, generous donators—both clubs and individuals.

## The Operation

Local Lions Clubs will play a very important role in ensuring the project is a success. Clubs, especially from rural and remote areas, will seek a booking for a van visit. An annual schedule will be created as a result of booking requests. Clubs will then manage the skin check booking system, find a suitable location for the van and assist with the management of the visit.

## Support Us

**Donations** - see right for how to donate through the VLF. We need as much as \$250,000 to make this project a reality, and running costs will be as much as \$90,000 per annum.

**Volunteers** - send an email with your details, experience and availability and we will make further contact once we approach full operation.

**Corporate Connections:** we would be pleased to receive details of any possible corporate supporters.

### DONATIONS

The Foundation gratefully accepts donations to support the screening program.

Cheques should be made payable to - **Victorian Lions Foundation Charitable Fund** and sent to:

**Victorian Lions Foundation,**

37 Arden Avenue,  
Leopold,  
Victoria, Australia 3224

**Or**

**Direct deposit can be made to:**

Victorian Lions Foundation Bendigo Bank

BSB: 633 000

Account number: 150 261 121

Please forward an email to [secretaryvlf1@gmail.com](mailto:secretaryvlf1@gmail.com) and [treasurervlf@gmail.com](mailto:treasurervlf@gmail.com) with deposit slip and V Districts Cancer Foundation as recipient.

Donations over \$2 are tax deductible