

**IN 2019-20,
\$1 INVESTED INTO
NEIGHBOURHOOD
HOUSES OF
GIPPSLAND
RESULTED IN \$2.78
IN ECONOMIC &
SOCIAL BENEFITS**





SAFE, CONNECTED & THRIVING COMMUNITIES WITH A COLLECTIVE VOICE


Based on the available evidence, Deloitte Access Economics estimate that between April 2019 and March 2020 **the social return on investment for NHG was \$2.78 for every dollar invested in NHG's activities.** This benefit comprised:



HEALTH & WELLBEING

12,848 participants engaged in physical activities 

 Healthcare cost avoided due to NHG activities estimated at **\$1,222,987** p.a.

183 volunteers reduced social isolation, with quality of life (QOL) gain estimated at **\$435,116** p.a. 




27 mental health support sessions offered




CONNECTED & REDUCED SOCIAL ISOLATION



38% of participants stated main benefits are meeting new participants, friends & spending time with others

 QOL gain associated with increased **social engagement** estimated at **\$150,884** p.a.

 QOL gain associated with this **increased social connection and inclusion** estimated at **\$1,507,664** p.a.



SAFETY



NHG members reached out to approx. **1,393** participants to **check in** on vulnerable participants



NHG members referred approx. 51 participants to **appropriate support agencies**



NHG members supported approx. **75** participants **affected by family violence**



RESILIENCE & PRIDE



Community lunches & gardening activities attended by 378 participants



Approx. **17,000** **emergency food parcels** provided



345 female **sanitary products & 690** **toiletries** provided



166 participants accessed NHGs **shower facilities**



\$273,555 in emergency service and/or relief provided




INDEPENDENCE & PRODUCTIVITY



1,040 **computer classes** delivered to approx. **4,138** neighbourhood house participants



261 **writing classes** offered

367 sessions of **English classes** and 669 classes for **other languages** delivered 



144 participants accessed **financial counselling / services**



Approx. **2,792** people accessed information about other government services