

Development of a Greater Dandenong Employment Hub



The Opportunity

Greater Dandenong is 'jobs rich' with a high demand for labour. It also has a high rate of unemployment and a large supply of available workers. The mismatch between supply and demand needs to be resolved so that our community can share in the economic benefits, participate in social life and continue to develop skills and competencies.

In June 2024, the unemployment rate in Greater Dandenong was 6.4%, compared to 4.0% State-wide.

The City's economic output was \$58.23 billion and regional exports valued at \$29.72 billion in 2023.

Source: REMPLAN



How you can help us

We are seeking funding commitments:

- \$1.5 million for the development of a **Dandenong Employment Hub** with both physical and digital accessibility. The Hub would:
 - >Have a focus on the green economy and sustainable employment
 - >Deliver Council's annual Career and Support Expo
- \$400,000 annually for five years to continue the **GameChange - Employment System-Change Initiative**.

How the community will benefit:

Ongoing funding for the community-led and place-based "GameChange" - an Employment System Change Initiative, this will ensure Council continues to engage employers, job seekers, service providers and training organisations to work better together and shape a healthier, more effective jobs and skills system.

The Dandenong Employment Hub will provide community members with a better way to find the right support, with people in "connector" roles to empower, navigate and link stakeholders in the system .