



Yarning Group Expression of Interest

What is Hands Up Mallee?

Hands Up Mallee is a place-based community-led initiative in north-west Victoria on Latji Latji Country. We believe local people know what matters most and are best placed to create positive change. By working together with community, services, businesses, and government, we build on local strengths to support lasting outcomes. Our vision is a connected community where children and young people thrive and families matter.

About the Yarning Group

Our Yarning Group provides local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural oversight, leadership and guidance to our work. The Yarning Group was established in response to community feedback, and the group ensures our work is culturally safe, strengths-based and grounded in local Aboriginal knowledge and ways of working.

The Yarning Group meets monthly and is made up of local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members, including Elders and young people.

Community members are supported to be involved in the Yarning Group through payment for their time, transport if required and children are welcome to come along to meetings.

Submitting an Expression of Interest

If you are interested in being part of the Yarning Group, please complete the Expression of Interest Form and email to hello@handsupmallee.com or drop off to the HUM office (93 Pine Avenue, Mildura) by **Friday 24th July 2026**.

Want to find out more?

Come and have a yarn with Ada at the HUM office, or contact the team directly:

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Yarning Group - Expression of Interest (EOI) Form

If you need help filling out this form, please contact Ada on 0458 324 272.

EOIs need to be **received by Friday 24th July**.

Email your EOI to: hello@handsupmallee.com or drop off to the Hands Up Mallee office (93 Pine Avenue, Mildura)

Full Name	
Phone Number	
Email	
My community experience: <i>(How do you engage with community? What are you involved in?)</i>	
What I can give to the Yarning Group and Hands Up Mallee: <i>(tell us about your knowledge, skills, connections)</i>	



What I would like to get from being a part of the Yarning Group:

(What do you hope for? What would you like to learn? What experience you would like to get?)

Tells us about your connection to community and culture:

Please note: A confirmation of Aboriginality is required.

I can commit to monthly meetings in person

☐ Yes

☐ No

Expressions of Interest close Friday 24th July 2026.