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Learn Local celebrates launch of new website and awards program

Learn Local organisation, Prahran Community Learning Centre, today celebrated the launch of a new website for the Learn Local education and training sector, as well as the opening of nominations for the sector's annual awards program.

Centre Principal Executive Officer from Prahran Community Learning Centre said there are over 300 government-registered Learn Local organisations right across Victoria that work tirelessly to help over 110,000 learners achieve their learning goals each year.

"Learn Locals help people to return to study, improve their reading, writing and maths skills, gain a qualification, get a job or learn something new," Angela Stathopoulos said.

"The flexible, approachable and welcoming environments created by Learn Local organisations are the ideal setting for many people to return to, or start afresh, on their learning path.

"The new Learn Local network website at learnlocal.org.au makes it easy for people to find a Learn Local organisation in their community and start their learning journey. It also includes other features such as learners' stories, news and events and an easy way to browse study options."

The new website also includes information about the Adult, Community and Further Education (ACFE) Board's annual Victorian Learn Local Awards which provide an opportunity to showcase the remarkable achievements across the Learn Local sector.

Angela Stathopoulos said the Awards are a great way of paying tribute to the inspirational efforts of learners, practitioners and organisations from across the state.

"The Learn Local Awards are just one way of showcasing the amazing work done every day by the dedicated staff, volunteers and learners in the Learn Local sector. With over \$50,000 available for winners and finalists it makes sense to submit a nomination."

Nominations for the Learn Local Awards close on 6 June. This year's categories are:

- Outstanding Pre-accredited Learner
- Outstanding Practitioner (Paid or Volunteer)
- Outstanding Pathway Program
- Excellence in Creating Local Solutions
- Innovation in Digital Literacy
- Learn Local for Business
- Learn Local Legend

To enter the awards or find out more about the Learn Local sector visit learnlocal.org.au