



# STATIONEERS INFORMATION SHEET

**Thank you for expressing interest to join  
Keep Australia Beautiful Victoria's Stationeers Program!**

## ABOUT KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL VICTORIA

Keep Australia Beautiful Victoria is one of Australia's longest-standing environmental nonprofits dedicated to inspiring and empowering community action to protect and enhance our environment.

Our role in the Stationeers program is to:

- Facilitate Stationeers groups who want to establish or expand new sites.
- Safeguard volunteers by providing safety equipment and training.
- Provide Public Liability and Volunteers Personal Injury Insurance for volunteers.
- Advise volunteers and groups about areas that they can work in on the rail/station premises and the plants and types of activities they can consider.
- KABV obtains legal access to the sites for the volunteer through legal agreements with V/Line and Metro trains and is the conduit between the volunteers and the Rail Managers.
- KABV will visit each group annually to discuss progress, future plans and any issues.

## ABOUT STATIONEERS

For almost three decades, the Stationeers program has been improving the look and feel of railway station precincts across Victoria by encouraging and supporting enhancement work undertaken by volunteers.

Keep Australia Beautiful Victoria (KABV) runs the program in partnership with Public Transport Victoria, V/Line, VicTrack and Metro Trains and recognises Stationeers volunteers as an integral part to enhancing and contributing to the diversity of the local environment, whilst creating resilient and vibrant communities.



## WHO CAN VOLUNTEER AS A STATIONEER?

The Stationeers program is open to volunteers ages 16 and up. We work with local residents, gardening clubs, disability centres, Scouts, Girls Guides and anyone with a desire to see their railway station blossom.

## HOW DO I START VOLUNTEERING AS A STATIONEER?

To become a Stationeer, express your interest in joining our program by filling out the registration form on our website with your details, and we'll guide you through the next steps.

**You can either:**

Join an existing Stationeers group, you can find a map/list of active stations on the Stationeers page.



**OR**

Start your own group at a station near you!



## WHAT'S THE COMMITMENT?



### Regular working bees

Stationeers are expected to visit their station site and undertake works at a minimum once every six months, but many groups choose to go out daily, weekly or monthly!



### Working as a team

You must work with at least one other person at all times when undertaking works at the station.



### Planting

A key objective of our program to increase the biodiversity of our local environment. Therefore, we strongly encourage you to only plant native species. These will also be a lot more resistant to extreme climates. We also encourage you to keep the areas litter free!

Volunteers at V/Line stations receive some support in terms of plants and mulch. However, at Metro stations, volunteers are responsible for organising their own plants independently.

We can also help you approach your local Bunnings for a \$200 voucher to get you started!



### Time Sheets

We request that you fill out a time sheet and return it to us following every working bee so we can record the wonderful impact you're making and share this with our Railway partners.



### Stay in touch with us!

We love hearing updates about what's happening on the ground at our network of stations. You are our eyes and ears - so we love hearing from you about any issues or ideas you have to improve your station. We will also come and visit you annually too!



## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

As a volunteer, you will work with community members who share your passion for gardening and the environment. By improving local stations through activities such as planting, weeding, mulching and other general maintenance, the gateway to your community becomes a welcoming and thriving environment for residents and wildlife.

## WHAT YOU WILL ACHIEVE



Have fun with like-minded people



Enhance and contribute to your local community



Keep physically active



Contribute to the diversity of the local environment

## THE PROCESS

### JOINING AN EXISTING STATIONEERS GROUP

Expected timeframe: 2-4 weeks

#### 01 SIGN-UP

Sign up as a volunteer and select the Stationeers group you'd like to join from the drop-down menu.

#### 02 ONBOARDING

Provide us with all the information we need to ensure your success and safety as a volunteer and review our safety induction manual.

#### 03 SITE VISIT

We'll meet you and introduce you to someone from the existing group on-site and go through a safety induction as well as hand over our hi-vis vests.

#### 04 MAKE YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE

Tell your friends, your family, your neighbours, your local community groups, or that guy you met on the train that one time who loves gardening.

### CREATING A NEW STATIONEERS GROUP

Expected timeframe: 8-10 weeks

#### 01 SIGN-UP

Sign up as a volunteer on our website and select that you'd like to start a new Stationeers group and become a Stationeers leader at your local station.

#### 02 SITE VISIT

We'll meet you on-site to discuss your plans.

#### 03 PROPOSAL

Fill out our proposal form and describe the current situation and what you're envisioning for the future with a list of native plants you're planning on planting. We'll be there every step of the way.

#### 04 SUBMISSION

We work our magic to tweak the paperwork for a smooth journey and send it on its way to our partners at VicTrack, V/Line and Metro to approve the application.

#### 05 SAFETY AND TRAINING

Our team delivers safety equipment and training, ensuring your protection.

#### 06 MAKE YOUR DREAM COME TRUE

Tell your friends, your family, your neighbours, local community groups or that guy you met on the train that one time who loves gardening and bring them along!

**So, unleash your inner plant person and become a Stationeer today! Whether you're a seasoned gardener, budding green-thumb or like talking trash, we welcome you to join our heartwarming community of beautifiers.**



If you have any more questions, don't hesitate to contact us:

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