

**OFFICER'S ADVICE****MOTION TO THE STATE COUNCIL MEETING OF MAV – INCREASED DEMAND ON FINANCIAL AND MATERIAL AID SERVICES IN MONASH**

Submitting Councillor: Cr Klisaris

**MOTION**

*That Council:*

- 1. Endorses the motion to the Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) May 2019 State Council requesting that the MAV advocates to the State Government to acknowledge the increased demand on financial and material services and a commitment to address this issue.*
- 2. Endorses the motion to the Municipal Association of Victoria May 2019 State Council requesting that the MAV advocate to the Federal Government to reconsider current policies in regard to social security payments and funding to welfare services.*

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

There are no budget implications.

**IMPACT ON INTERNAL RESOURCES**

If the Motion is passed, Council Officers will assume the duties as required as part of their role within Council.

**COUNCIL PLAN AND COUNCIL POLICIES**

The Motion relates to the Council plan and any relevant Council policies as follows:

- Council Plan 2017-2021, Strategic Objective – An Inclusive Community.  
Our people and our communities are healthy, connected and engaged. As stated, Council “will advocate with our community on issues that are important to them. We will ensure our services are accessible to all and continue to be responsive to changing community needs”.
- A Healthy and Resilient Monash: Integrated Plan 2017-2021.  
Active and Healthy – A city dedicated to optimal health and wellbeing for its community.  
Engaged, Confident and Connected – A city which actively listens, engages and values community wisdom in shaping its own future.  
Safe and Respectful – A city where every single member of the community is important.

**RELEVANCE TO WORK ALREADY UNDERTAKEN BY OFFICERS OR COMMITTEES**

This notice Motion relates to ongoing advocacy and support that Council officers provide to vulnerable and at risk members of the community. Council also supports the financial and material aid agencies that have raised the concern of increased demand directly to Council.