



Southern Command (VIC/TAS)

Community Liaison Team

Building Trust | Supporting Communities | Preventing Harm



Who We Are

The Southern Command Community Liaison Team (CLT) works across Victoria and Tasmania to build strong, trusted relationships between the AFP and the community. We engage multicultural communities, faith groups, youth organisations, and community leaders. CLT acts as a bridge between the AFP and the community.

What We Do

Our focus is prevention – identifying and addressing issues before they escalate.

- Meet with community leaders and organisations
- Deliver cyber safety and crime prevention presentations
- Support communities during sensitive or critical incidents
- Provide insight on community sentiment and emerging risks
- Partner with agencies to strengthen community resilience

Supporting AFP Priorities

Defending Australia's domestic security	• building trusted relationships where people feel comfortable raising concerns • identifying emerging issues early through community engagement • helping prevent escalation by addressing tensions early	This is about stopping threats before they cause harm.
Protecting vulnerable communities	• support communities that may be at higher risk • ensure they feel safe, informed, and heard • connect them to support and accurate information • help build resilience within those communities	We're often the human face of the AFP for vulnerable groups
Supercharging global operations	• we understand how global events impact local communities • we provide insights that support broader AFP operations • we help manage the local impact of international issues	What happens overseas often affects communities here – and we help manage that connection
Futureproofing our workforce	• building a workforce, and community relationships that are: • trusted • capable • and able to respond to modern challenges	This role builds highly valuable policing skills and resilient communities
Investing in science and technology-led capabilities	• support messaging around cyber safety and online threats • help communities understand emerging risks • feed community insights back into the organisation	We help make sure technology-led policing still maintains public trust

Why Community Engagement Matters

Strong community relationships enable better policing outcomes. By working closely with the community, we improve trust, increase information sharing, reduce misinformation, and support safer, more resilient communities.

Without trust, effective policing is significantly harder – CLT helps enable safer communities.

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