

## People with a disability have the right to:

- Be seen as valued community members;
- See all discrimination end;
- Be listened to;
- Speak out for their rights;
- Be informed;
- Do things for themselves;
- Make choices;
- Take Risks;
- Learn about living in the community;
- Have friends and a variety of relationships;



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# Gippsland Disability Advocacy Inc.

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Providing advocacy  
support, advice and  
referrals for people  
with disabilities



## Mission Statement

To recognise, promote and protect the welfare, rights and interests of people with disabilities who may be vulnerable to exploitation abuse or neglect.

## Vision Statement

Through advocacy, empower people with disabilities to exercise their rights to full citizenship and to be valued members of the community

## Network Membership

**GDAI is a member of;**

- Victorian Rural Advocacy Network
- Disability Advocacy Victoria
- Disability Advocacy Resource Unit
- Victorian Council of Social Services
- Disability Advocacy Network of Australia
- National Disability Services

## Become a Member

As a truly inclusive community association, membership of GDAI is open to any community members who wish to show support for the aims, vision and philosophy of Gippsland Disability Advocacy.

## Who is eligible?

People with a disability who live in the local government areas of:

- Baw Baw
- South Gippsland & Bass Coast
- Latrobe City
- Wellington
- East Gippsland



## Priority For Service

Priority will be given to people who are unable to articulate their needs without support and may be experiencing potential abuse, discrimination or negligent treatment, denial or infringement of rights and social isolation.

## Advocacy for individuals is delivered at different levels

- Some people may need information to help them advocate for themselves.
- Some people need ongoing support to help them resolve an issue.
- Some people need representation from a GDAI advocate

## Outreach Services

The GDAI Office is open five days a week in Traralgon within Latrobe City and outreach services are provided across the six government areas of Gippsland.

## Want to know more?

Simply log onto the GDAI website to find out more at [www.gdai.com.au](http://www.gdai.com.au)



We also welcome your telephone call if you would prefer to speak to a staff member about how we can help you.

