

Submission to DSS Stronger, More Diverse and Independent Sector items.

At “Make a Difference” Dingley Village we have studied the 5 focus areas and identified the impact on our everyday lives.

Focus Area 2: “Providing grants that reflect the real cost of delivering quality services”.

We believe that existing funding models do not consider the actual costs of delivering services to the community and the costs associated with applying for and administering funds.

Focus Area 4: “Ensuring grant funding flows to a greater diversity of Community Service Organisations”.

A wider range of organisations need to be funded and so that the community can readily access, trusted place-based services in their local area. Of significant importance to MADDV who has been delivering unfunded services for 30+ years.

Focus Area 5: “Partnering with trusted community organisations with strong local links”.

Small CSO eg MADDV, should be able to utilise funding to meet local community needs – a focus at MADDV.

regards

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CEO

