



# Understanding Social Enterprise

East Gippsland Shire Council - Program Report

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## Overview

The 'Understanding Social Enterprise' learning program is a practical and thought provoking 2 day experience that introduces learners to the values and purpose of social enterprise. Local business, community and not-for-profit leaders, together with council representatives participated in the workshop hosted by the East Gippsland Shire Council.

This practical and innovative workshop was funded by Rural Councils Victoria, an organisation representing Victoria's 38 rural councils whose role is supporting and promoting sustainable, liveable, prosperous rural communities.

## Key highlights from participant evaluations include:

**100% learners** said that their **overall experience** in the workshop was **great to excellent**

- **100% learners** said it had improved their **understanding of social enterprise**
- **76% learners** anticipate that their participation in the program **will have an impact on their organisation**
- **82% learners** said that the workshop **fully met or exceeded their expectations**
- **88% learners** said that the **content of the workshop was great to excellent**

## Participant Feedback

*"This has been one of the best workshops that I have attended - very engaging!"*

*"I'd love for others in my community to attend the workshop so that others are clearer and inspired and get on the same page with an understanding."*

*"Loved it!"*

*"A really fantastic cross section of attendees."*

*"As presenters, your energy and humour made the workshop engaging, thank you."*

*"The training allowed me to identify a number of areas that I would like to know more about."*