OUR ROLE IS TO WORK
ALONGSIDE YOU, TO
SUPPORT YOU WITH YOUR
INDIVIDUAL NEEDS.

# Honesty Focus Value Integrity Respect Passion Believe Courage



## WHERE ARE WE LOCATED?

Street Address: Level 1,

548 Bridge Road, Richmond, VIC 3121

Next to Officeworks
Tram Route 48 & 75 (Stop 21; Burnley Street)

P: 03 8363 6534 M: 0437 968 795

# **Operating Hours:**

Mon to Fri: 9:00am - 5:00pm



# In case of an emergency, please call 000.

Useful Helplines:

D   D	1200 22 4/2/
Beyond Blue	1300 22 4636
Life Line	13 11 14
Nurse on Call	1300 60 6024
Direct line	1800 888 236
Suicide Line	1300 651 251
Open Door 24 Hrs	1800 825 955



We acknowledge the traditional owners of Australia and we welcome all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People to our service.



# The Bridge Centre



### WHO ARE WE?

GEO's Bridge Centre is a Community Reintegration Centre that supports you in transitioning back into the community. All support provided is tailored to your specific needs.

We have a highly skilled team of Post-Release Case Workers who are based at The Bridge Centre full-time. If you were engaging with a Clinician or a case-worker from MCM/YMCA whilst at Ravenhall, this can continue at The Bridge Centre post-release.

Our Centre is safe, inclusive, welcoming and culturally sensitive. The Bridge Centre can support you and the people that are important in your life such as your children, family members and partners.

## **HOW CAN WE HELP?**

- Case management and advocacy support
- Information on where to obtain basic care needs, e.g. food, clothing, etc.
- Referrals to services including counselling, family agencies, drug and alcohol support, education providers and area mental health
- Information on housing access points
- Assistance obtaining identification
- Support for relapse prevention
- Family information sessions
- Links to employment agencies, including job active providers
- Support with job readiness
- Access to a computer for housing/job searches and Centrelink/MyGov



Anyone released from Ravenhall Correctional Centre, along with their families, can access The Bridge Centre for support. The Bridge Centre is accessible for up to two years post-release, even after long periods of non-attendance. Engagement with The Bridge Centre is voluntary. Therefore, clients are not required to be subject to community supervision (i.e. parole or a community based order).



# HOW DO I ACCESS SUPPORT FROM THE BRIDGE CENTRE?

- Speak to your Reintegration Officer, Case Manager or Clinician and a Post-Release Case Worker will meet with you at Ravenhall pre-release
- Planned appointment
- Drop in
- Phone support

