



Public Accounts and Estimates Committee Multicultural Affairs Portfolio

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Achievements in 2007-08

- **Our diversity is one of our greatest strengths**
- **Consolidation of the merger of VOMA into VMC**
 - savings of \$1m p.a.
- **VMC Community Grants**
 - \$4.5m from 2007-08
- **Multicultural & Multifaith Harmony Initiatives**
 - Additional \$2m over 2 years



Achievements in 2007-08 (continued)

- **Refugee Brokerage Program**
 - \$3.1m over 4 yrs from 2005-06
- **Language Services Strategy**
 - \$3.1m over 4 yrs from 2006-07
- **Cultural Precincts**
 - \$8m over 3 yrs from 2007-08
- **ECCV Core Funding Increase**
 - Increased to total \$0.25m p.a.
- **DW Hope Centre**
 - \$1m



New Budget Initiatives, 2008-09

- **Interpreting and Translating**
 - \$2m over 2 yrs
- **Whole-of-Government Approach**
 - \$17.7m