



FRIDAY 22 MAY, 2026

VICTORIAN FOOD POLICY FORUM

The Federal government has embarked on the process to create a National Food Security Strategy, [Feeding Australia](#).

The Strategy opens a vital window for local governments, community food organisations, citizens and stakeholders from across the food system to come together to hear from each other, discuss the key issues, identify key shared needs and priorities, and engage directly with local, state and Federal policy makers. The Forum is organised by [Sustain: The Australian Food Network](#). The Synod of Victoria and Tasmania is a sponsor of the Forum.

The Forum will connect food system changemakers, look at what's working on the ground, and turn shared challenges into collective action, collaboration and momentum. Speakers at the Forum are leading food system advocates and practitioners, including:

- **Simon Toohey (MC)** - Masterchef finalist & founder of Geelong City Market
- **James McLennan** - Farm My School
- **Nikki Hale & Louise Singleton** - The Community Plate
- **Jayne Travers-Drapes and Anton van den Berg** - Box Divvy
- **Alex Dekker** - Alex Makes Meals
- **Erica Reeve** - Deakin University
- **Chelsea McNab** - Yarra Valley ECOSS
- **Savannah Supski** - Just Food Collective
- **Almari van der Merwe** - Cultivating Community
- **Kelly Donati** - RMIT University
- **Nick Rose** - Sustain: The Australian Food Network
- **Jade Miles** - Sustainable Table

Who is it for?

Community organisations, Federal and state MPs, local councillors, local government employees and community members passionate about a healthy, sustainable and fair food system for everyone in Australia.

When

Friday 22 May,
9 am – 5 pm

Where

Angliss Conference Centre
Level 5/555 La Trobe St,
Melbourne

Register at

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