



**Buddhist Council of Victoria**  
Representing & Serving the Buddhist Community in Victoria

# Membership Information Form

Your Organisation	
Organisation / Individual Name	Street Address
Website address (if applicable)	Postal address (if other than above)
Administrative (Registered) Name	Date of registration
Buddhist Tradition or School (please include Lineage*)	Founder & date founded
*Note: If you do not belong to a recognised lineage, please name one Teacher affiliate, well known and recognised in the world Buddhist Community:	
Name and details (ordination, generation in the lineage, etc.) of local Abbott / Abbess:	Are you an affiliate of an international organization? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  If yes, name of that organisation.
Name of most senior living teacher:	
Number of Sangha in your (local) organisation <input type="checkbox"/> 5-10 <input type="checkbox"/> 10-20 <input type="checkbox"/> over 20	Number of lay members of your community <input type="checkbox"/> 1-10 <input type="checkbox"/> 10-20 <input type="checkbox"/> 20-50 <input type="checkbox"/> 50 and above (please state)
Cultural/Ethnic background <input type="checkbox"/> Burmese <input type="checkbox"/> Cambodian <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Lao <input type="checkbox"/> Sri Lankan <input type="checkbox"/> Taiwanese <input type="checkbox"/> Thai <input type="checkbox"/> Tibetan <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Preferred language (for written and telephone communication)
Name of primary contact and their position	
Email address:	Phone numbers M: _____ H: _____

Services and Activities of your organisation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Meditation classes	<input type="checkbox"/> Counselling services	<input type="checkbox"/> Marriage and Funeral services
<input type="checkbox"/> Youth group	<input type="checkbox"/> Chaplaincy services	
<input type="checkbox"/> Children's classes	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state)	

How do you see the Buddhist Council assisting you in the future?	How do you see your organisation assisting the Buddhist Council and/or community in the future?	
<b>Membership</b>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ordinary membership</b></p> <p>Ordinary membership of the Council is open to Buddhist temples, organisations and groups operating in Victoria. To qualify, the group or organisation should unite a number of persons in a common Buddhist activity with or without a Constitution or formal membership, but which must have an executive body or person to act on its behalf.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friend membership</b></p> <p>Membership as a friend is open to individual Buddhists who support the aims and objectives of the Council.</p> <p>Friends of the Council do not have voting rights but may participate in discussions at meetings and offer assistance to the Council. Friends will be sent a copy of each newsletter.</p>	
<p>Please note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acceptance for membership is at the discretion of the BCV and not automatic.</li> <li>• All BCV members and associates are expected to conduct themselves in a truthful, open, harmonious, respectful manner in accordance with the Buddha's teachings on Right Thought, Action and Speech</li> <li>• Applicants are expected to accept and abide by the vision, values, and mission statement of the BCV as expressed in the Constitution; and to accept the Statement of Universal Buddhism (following).</li> </ul>		
<b>Nomination by existing Member</b>		
Name / Organisation	Signature	Date
<b>Constitution</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> We have attached our Constitution or governing documents or <input type="checkbox"/> We do not have any Constitution or governing documents		
<b>Applicant details</b>		
Full name	Signature	Date
<p>Please send completed form with any donation to:  Secretary, Buddhist Council of Victoria, 36 McDowall St, Mitcham VIC 3132</p> <p>Please make cheques payable to "Buddhist Council of Victoria Inc."</p> <p>Further information about becoming a member of Buddhist Council can be obtained by writing to the <a href="mailto:secretary@bcv.org.au">secretary@bcv.org.au</a> or calling (03) 8822 2013 (Please leave a short voice message if no answer).</p>		
<b>Approved (office use only)</b>	<b>Date (office use only)</b>	<b>Member number (office use only)</b>