



# Ecological Justice and Just Transitions

**Jesuit Social Services invite you to a workshop on 22 July from 9am to 2pm, at the Marist Centre, 1 Dawson Street, Brunswick.**

As the dust settles on the Federal election, it is clear there are passionate views in Australia when it comes to tackling climate change and the competing need for economic security, with the way forward as complex as ever.

Climate change and ecological harms are already impacting on the most marginalised in many ways, and these challenges are likely to intensify in the coming years. Without genuine government commitment and industry cooperation, already marginalised populations will become further isolated and vulnerable, not only in terms of livelihoods, but also ecologically.

To minimise the unfairness inherent in climate change, increasing attention is being paid to the idea of a 'just transition' – that is, how to move to an ecologically sustainable, zero greenhouse gas emissions world in a way that ensures those least able to cope with climate change receive what they need to successfully adapt.

Jesuit Social Services invites you to an exploration of how the community services sector and social change organisations can best strategically prepare for these changes to ensure a just transition. Together we will consider vital questions such as to how to adapt, co-operate, strategically empower and advocate for those populations most at risk.

## Areas to be discussed include:

- How will climate change impact upon our sector, organisation and participants?
- What livelihoods are at risk if climate change and just transitions aren't addressed?
- How can our sector respond to the uncertain challenges ahead?
- Do we have the resources and capacity to respond to these challenges?
- How can we collaborate together to minimise injustice and increase our organisational capacity?
- How can we collectively make visible injustices that occur as a result of ecological changes and economic transition?

There is much work being done by different organisations and advocates in this area yet limited opportunity to come together to explore the different variants of ecological justice and define a common vision going forward.

**We will provide a cooked lunch from our permaculture garden. RSVP to [Bronwyn.Lay@jss.org.au](mailto:Bronwyn.Lay@jss.org.au) by 12 July 2019 for catering purposes.**