



## ESSENTIAL READING FOR ALL AUSTRALIAN RESIDENTS WITH A SAME SEX OVERSEAS PARTNER

Did you know that Australian law makes it possible for your same sex partner to apply for Permanent Residence in Australia based on his or her relationship with you?

### *Gay and Lesbian Immigration Task Force (GLITF)*

is a voluntary self-help not-for-profit organization with members from all parts of the of the GLBT family, and all parts of the globe. There are also GLITF organizations in New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia. In Victoria we operate as Gay and Lesbian Immigration Task Force (Vic) Inc. (Reg. No. A0027220V)

#### What we do

GLITF(Vic) Inc. provides support and assistance, and through its volunteer Registered Migration Agents (Migration Advisers), migration advice to gay and lesbian couples who are members of GLITF (Vic) Inc. and who are seeking Permanent Residence status for the non-resident partner of an individual who is an **Australian Citizen, an Australian Permanent Resident, or an Eligible New Zealand citizen**. For Information on New Zealand citizens see <http://www.glitfvic.org.au/nz.html>

We aim to achieve equality in the Australian immigration system for lesbian and gay couples, and to ensure that changes in immigration policy take into account the needs of people who are gay or lesbian.

For further information see our website at <http://www.glitfvic.org.au>

### When and Where We Meet

#### General Information Meetings

GLITF (Vic) Inc. meets at **5 pm** on the **first Sunday** of every month except January at:

**The Betty Day Care Centre, 67 Argyle Street St Kilda**

Tram Nos. 3, 67, 78, 79

Trains: Windsor or Balaclava stations

Melway Reference: 58C9

These meetings are invaluable for couples seeking general information about the Department of Immigration and Ethnic and Indigenous Affairs regulations and guidelines that must be followed when preparing an application. Migration advisers are usually present and are available to answer questions after the meeting.

#### Advice Nights

These are held at the Betty Day Care Centre at **7.30 pm** on the **third Monday** of each month and are for **members only** seeking specific advice from GLITF (Vic) Inc.'s Migration Advisers in relation to their own position or application. There may also be some opportunity to obtain certification of documents as true copies or to make statutory declarations. Newcomers may join up as members on the night.

#### Why pay high fees to lawyers or migration agents?

Our members have an extremely high success rate with their applications, and our volunteer advisers who specialize in gay and lesbian immigration give their services absolutely free.

#### Join GLITF (Vic) Now

If you need help in obtaining permanent residence for your overseas gay or lesbian partner, complete the Application form on the reverse and send it with the modest fee of \$100\* to P.O. Box 2387 Richmond South Victoria 3121 or come to our next meeting and join there.

\* Entitles you to a copy of "The GLITF Guide to Applying for Interdependency Migration"