

Inquiry into the Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Tourism and Events Sectors

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Organisation Name:
Your position or role:

YOUR SUBMISSION

Submission:

I'm writing to implore government to consider doing whatever is required to support our industry, including assistance to fire back up our outdoor festival industry.

My business exclusively supplies stretch tent marquees to mostly larger outdoor events in mostly rural environments. Examples of my primary clients include Rainbow Serpent Festival, Esoteric Festival & Pitch Festival, all located in relatively remote rural locations.

There has been ZERO event work for 12 months now, & I'm fast approaching a point of financially collapse. Even as a small one person sole trader, I have many ongoing expenses such as my warehouse & vehicle leases, vehicle & business registrations & insurances, etc, let alone my mortgage & personal expenses.

There is a very strong need for this industry to be supported to survive. Victoria is world renowned for these types of outdoor events, & many organisers & event supplies are totally against the wall right now, many already or potentially hitting the point of collapse.

Victoria's tourism industry is significantly supported by our world class events. It will be a terrible loss to lose this part of our incredible culture & global image!

Please do what it takes to support these phenomenal transformative spaces & our amazing industry.

In good faith

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