

Beechworth Womens Shed – Purpose of the Association

Purposes – Beechworth Women's Shed

1. **Welfare** - Develop and grow a kinship with local women aspiring solid virtues that promote self-dependence, social fulfillment, confidence and resilience within our rapid changing economy. Provide and maintain an economically affordable non-political, diverse social meeting space for members. This includes members who are elderly, poorly educated, unemployed and disadvantaged women.
2. **Health** – Reduce the impact of social cleavages and conflict encouraging diverse positive and creative thinking. Empower the self worth for isolated or less confident women by engaging them equally. Provide and maintain a secure, safe meeting space that welcomes a diversity of women of any culture and provides opportunities to forge life long friendships.
3. **Education** – Promote a “can do attitude” toward learning new skills that will improve overall living standards and home safety with safe DIY solutions on household repairs. Develop thought processes that inspire canny frugality and thriftiness to avoid/relieve individual economic pressures relating to insufficient budgeting or debt.
4. **Environment** - Advance the natural environment and reduce our landfill waste and toxins by encouraging up-cycled products and projects that will benefit their quality of life and their community and homes. Promote sensible recycling for Beechworth Women's Shed project waste and scrap materials.