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How we came to visit Baucau.  
What has come out of it.  
How you can do something similar.  
And ... why you'd want to!

## SOME NUMBERS

- <1
- 40,000
- 200,000
- 65 billion
- 70

# ABCD

It's our bread and butter ... AND some of the BEST bread and butter out there!



# WHAT DID WE DO OVER THERE?

- Had 22 meetings
- Ran 3 days of workshops
- Visited 6 villages – sharing stories, ideas and food
- Met influential people
- Witnessed everyday life
- Worked with innovative, driven, determined and strong women
- Shared our impressions of what we'd seen
- Encouraged and supported an ABCD approach

“At my house we look after older people who are lonely. What does your organisation do?”

# NETWORKS (PART I)

They needed to share simple things - like where to buy the glass jars.



# NETWORKS (PART II)

This trip:

- Created new networks
- Strengthened existing networks
- Linked networks
- Resulted in new joint projects



# WE LOVED IT BECAUSE WE ...

- Lived and breathed community development
- Expanded our possibilities
- Supported a local organisation
- Built new partnerships
- Built stronger relationships
- Built true friendships
- Connected our neighbourhood into the world



# WANT TO DO SOMETHING SIMILAR?

Talk to your local friendship group,  
there are 15 across Victoria.



**Ballarat  
Bendigo Casey  
Campaspe Darebin  
Frankston Geelong Hume Indigo Kingston  
Macedon Ranges Mansfield Monash Moreland  
Mornington Peninsula Port Phillip Stonnington  
Wangaratta Whitehorse Yarra**