



WEST GATE TUNNEL PROJECT

CoreStaff

Bellby Recruitment

OPRA Group

Goal Indigenous

VMAC

CGH Group

BACKGROUND



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The West Gate tunnel is a Victorian Government initiative providing an alternative route to the West Gate Bridge in Melbourne's west. The project involves building four additional lanes on the West Gate Freeway, twin tunnels under Yarraville and a new bridge over the Maribyrnong River.

PROJECT

The Victorian government set a project initiative to encourage Indigenous Australians entry and involvement. Goal IS worked with our partners and clients to provide a unique training program and AWU agreement which made an Indigenous pre-apprenticeship program possible.

The Indigenous trainee group of three women and seven men completed a four week pre-employment program at Kangan Institute, prior to starting on-site.

The program focused on providing trainees with safe work skills and hands-on training to learn

practical skills needed for working on major infrastructure projects. This included how to read engineering plans and drawings, and how to use a range of tools and equipment.

While working on the West Gate Tunnel Project, the trainees will also complete a Civil Construction Certificate III over 18 months.

The trainee group occupies various roles across the West Gate Tunnel's five major worksites in Melbourne's west.

Goal IS provided a support and mentoring program to ensure a smooth transition into the workforce. Dean Rioli continues to manage and mentor this group above and beyond, receiving accolades from candidates and clients.



“ The training course has been an amazing experience and I am excited to be starting my career on the biggest road tunnel project in Victoria. ”

Kristy Stewart- West Gate Tunnel Pre-Apprentice