

# Older People and Social Inclusion

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**Reference:**

**Key Words:**

**Research aim:**

This paper examines the City of Melbourne's services for older people & explores their impact on addressing issues of social inclusion.

**Results/Conclusion:**

The research uncovered some new insights into how older people view social inclusion. The findings expand on the accepted notion of social inclusion as being active & included in activities & events. A sense of social inclusion is constructed through the negotiation of relationships with different social groups in the community. The findings of this research are significant for policies and practices. This paper applies the findings of how older people perceive social inclusion to explore the gaps in the provision of services at the local level.

**Implications:**

In order to achieve social inclusion, this paper recommends a focus on intercultural interaction and exchange to build relationships & improve intercultural understanding.

**Cultural Group(s):**

**Location of study:**

Victoria (Melbourne)

**Age group:**

**Number included in study:**

N/A

**Type of participants:**

**Research approach:**

**Type of data:**

**Secondary data sources used:**

**Specific scales or analytical techniques used:**

**Implications/ Recommendations:**

**Notes:**