

## Media Release

# Multicultural NSW welcomes new Advisory Board members

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Today Multicultural NSW has welcomed three new members to its Advisory Board, each bringing unique expertise and strong community ties to ensure diverse voices are represented and reflected in public policy.

The three new appointees are:

- Dr Julie Lim, a language teacher educator and researcher of Chinese heritage, committed to developing a deeper awareness of language needs and services. Dr Lim's journey began with an interest in preserving heritage languages, a mission that has driven her work in bridging linguistic gaps in critical public services.
- Ms Rosemary Kariuki OAM, a NSW Police Force Multicultural Liaison Officer celebrated for her extensive work with the African diaspora and communities across New South Wales. Ms Kariuki also sits on the Australian Multicultural Council advising the Commonwealth Government on Multicultural Affairs.
- Mr Khushaal Vyas, a lawyer, social commentator and teaching fellow of Indian heritage, who is passionate about youth workers' rights, brings extensive networks across the Indian community in New South Wales. Khushaal's dedication to justice is rooted in personal experiences of community service and his commitment to empowering marginalised voices.

Additionally, current Advisory Board member, Mr. Ramneek Singh, a respected member of Sydney's Sikh community has been reappointed for another term.

For more information visit the Multicultural NSW website:

<https://multicultural.nsw.gov.au/teams/advisory-board-members/>

### **Multicultural NSW Advisory Board Chair Nick Kaldas APM said:**

"The new appointees bring rich experience, strong community ties, and deep expertise, reflecting the diversity of New South Wales."

"The Multicultural NSW Advisory Board provides direct advice to the Minister for Multiculturalism and the CEO of Multicultural NSW. On behalf of existing members, we look forward to working with our new appointees and our returning member to the Advisory Board."

### **Multicultural NSW Chief Executive Joseph La Posta said:**

"The diverse skillsets and backgrounds of our new Advisory Board members will enrich the work we do at Multicultural NSW."

"From language services to advocacy for community, these appointees bring perspectives that will strengthen our approach to promoting inclusivity and ensuring all voices are reflected in government decisions."

"We are excited to welcome the expertise and insights of Julie, Rosemary and Khushaal to the advisory board".

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