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### **Raising Our Voices – Safety on the Streets of Melbourne 9.12.15**

Issues of safety for people with and without disabilities – Safety issues on urban streets and how people with a disability avoid the many hazards like people on mobile phones, getting on and off public transport. The team share personal stories and safe spaces. [Download](#)

### **Raising our voices 11th November, 2015 Abuse in Disability Services**

Breaking the Culture of Control Over People with a Disability – The Family and Community Development Committee (Victorian Government) have been undertaking the review over the last year calling for submission into the inquiry into Abuse and Dignity in Disability Services. Pauline and Norrie talk about the history of abuse in institutions in Victoria and the culture of control over people with a disability, and how hard it is for people to speak up. AMIDA is an advocacy group formed by people who have a lived experience of living in these institutions. AMIDA runs information sessions and outreach in the community about rights and self advocacy, for more info [www.amida.org.au](http://www.amida.org.au) [Download](#)

### **Multi Purpose Taxi Review – 14th October 2015**

Making Transport better for all Victorians? – The Victorian Government is reviewing the Multi Purpose Taxi program and considering how to improve transport for people with limited mobility.

Raising Our Voices discusses the review and shares some ideas on how the system could be improved. [Download](#)

### **Raising Our Voices – Social Justice September 2015**

Human rights in action: learning from social justice advocates [Download](#)

### **Raising Our Voices – Stand Up For Your Rights August 2015**

This month Raising Our Voices celebrates 28 years on air at 3CR. Peter and Pauline discuss bullying and strategies to combat it. VALE to Graeme Williams, a great self-advocate and supporter of Raising Our Voices. Congratulations to the Self Advocacy Resource Unit (SARU) who won a highly commended award at the 2015 Victorian Disability Awards for

Excellence in Advocacy and Rights Promotion Award. Dangerous Deeds Video Art Installation: features art developed by people with disabilities which explores their passions and tells the stories of their involvement in the disability, advocacy and self advocacy movements on from Monday 10 August to Friday 14 August, 10am – 5pm. For more info [saru@rosshouse.org.au](mailto:saru@rosshouse.org.au) [Download](#)

### **Speaking Out About Violence 8.7.2015**

Inquiry into Violence, Abuse and Neglect against People with Disability in Institutional and Residential Settings [Download](#)

### **What Does Justice Mean To You? 13.5.2015**

James, Amanda and Ria discuss what justice means for people with disabilities

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### **Travel, Disability and Access 8.4.2015**

This month Peter, James and Pauline discuss travel, disability and access. Peter travelled to the US in 2014 and he shares his experience and ideas on how access could be improved here in Australia [Download](#)

### **Raising Our Voices 18.3.2015**

Jane recently told her story to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Abuse. Talking openly about the violence, abuse and neglect many people with a disability suffered in institutions is something AMIDA has been advocating about for years. Jane explains the different ways people with disabilities can speak out and have a say. [Download](#)

### **Raising Our Voices 11.2.2015**

James tells us all about the Branching Out Art Show and his new job selling the Big Issue. There's more lucky dips from SARU self advocacy resources unit you might find useful, and discussion on transport and accessibility.

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