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Gusts of 124 km/h lash Victoria, keeping VICSES busy



- In the past 24 hours to midday on Monday (16/11), VICSES has received over 1,200 calls for assistance due to the damaging winds resulting in trees down and widespread power outages
- Of those calls, 995 are for fallen trees, whilst 116 are for damage to buildings
- VICSES volunteers at the Nillumbik (128 calls) and Lilydale (108) Units have been the busiest covering the hardest hit suburbs of Lilydale (32), Diamond Creek (24) and Greensborough (21)
- Strong winds have also affected Gippsland with VICSES' Morwell Unit (49 calls) and Moe (35) and Warragul (35) volunteers also working hard overnight and throughout the morning.
- A Moe resident has been relocated after a tree fall onto a residence overnight, whilst a tin roof was blown completely off a shed at Corio this morning

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- VICSES thanks the community for their patience as we respond to requests for assistance. Our volunteers are working through them as quickly as possible with around 20% of those calls (230) remaining active.
- A severe weather warning remains in place for southern and isolated parts of Victoria - <http://www.bom.gov.au/vic/warnings/>
- A reminder if you need SES emergency assistance to phone 132 500 or Triple-zero (000) in a life-threatening emergency.

Image - VICSES Lilydale Unit