

Computerbank

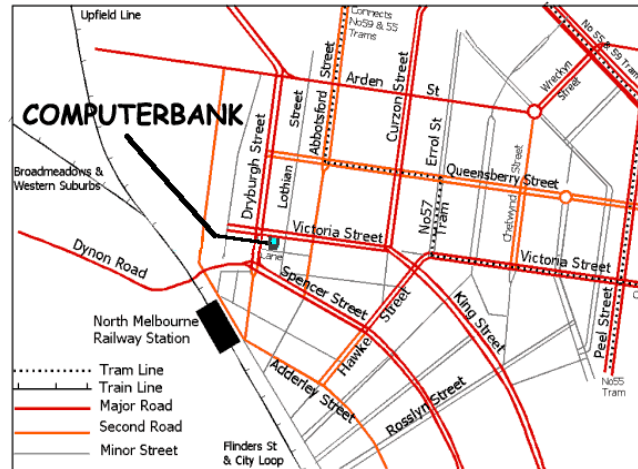
- Our voluntary service operates on a first come first served basis. Our computer stock is constantly changing we will try to help you with our available stock.
- Ring us before you come to make sure a computer similar to the one you would like is available.
- Unfortunately we cannot hold computers longer than two weeks after the pickup date.

Who is Computerbank?

Computerbank is a not for profit organisation run by volunteers. We have been helping people cross the digital divide since 1999. Our computers have been donated. All our computers are tested, refurbished, loaded with excellent open source software and then quality assured.

Computerbank runs GNU Recycle IT, a popular **Work for the Dole** program. Activities include technical projects, testing computer components, repair and rebuilding, installation and configuration of GNU/Linux software, system testing, training in group settings, writing documentation, office administration, research work, web design and more. Contact us if you would like to participate.

Computerbank Victoria
483 Victoria St,
West Melbourne,
Victoria 3003



Opening Hours

Thursday and Friday 10 am - 5 pm
Saturday 1 pm - 5 pm

Tel: (03) 9600 9161

Fax: (03) 9328 1679

Web: <http://vic.computerbank.org.au>

Email: computerbank.vic@gmail.com

© Computerbank Victoria
January 2007

Computerbank Victoria



**A cost effective alternative
for bridging the
digital divide**

**Low cost computers
for concession
card holders**

Computer recycling with care for the
community and the environment

Who can have a computer?

You can have a computer if you have a Commonwealth Government Concession card or are a refugee.

What does the \$15 computer have?

The basic computer has 450MHz CPU, 192MB RAM and a 4.3Gig hard drive. A monitor, a keyboard and a mouse and connecting cables. It comes loaded with a Linux operating system and many useful open source software programs. Two free training sessions on the system are available at Computerbank.

What can I do with a Computerbank computer?

All our computers have a word processor for documents, a spreadsheet, a typing tutor, email facilities and a web browser. Documents made are compatible with Word and Windows. Our computers also have a large variety of children's and adult games. Each computer comes with a printed, easy to use, manual especially written for people using our computers. Two free training session are also available.

Note: In order to connect to the Internet you will need a modem (extra), usually a fixed phone line and have an account with an Internet Service Provider. We can advise you about this.

Do you have faster computers?

We have a range of faster recycled computers available for sale from our shop for concession card holders. All our computers come loaded with useful open source software.

Other computers usually in stock include:

- Pentium III 650MHz+, 224MB RAM, 6.4 Gig hard drive, CDROM and sound.
From \$30
- Pentium III 800MHz+, 256MB RAM, 10 Gig hard drive, CDROM and sound.
From \$60
Extras subject to availability,
Add:
external modem \$15
internal modem \$10
CD writer \$10
DVD reader \$10
- Pentium 4 1.4 GHz+, 256MB RAM, 20 Gig hard drive, CDROM and sound.
From \$120
Extras subject to availability
Add:
external modem \$15
internal modem \$10
CD writer \$10
DVD reader \$10
256 RAM \$30
40G hard drive \$30
DVD Burner (new) \$70

We are not able to deliver computers.

Training

Computerbank offers two free training sessions for people with one of our computers. The three hour training sessions are held on Saturdays at 1pm at Computerbank in West Melbourne.

Support

Limited free telephone support is available if you have attended our training. On Thursdays between 10am-4pm you can phone in or drop off your computer for repair. After 3 months we charge \$22 to fix your computer if you bring it to us. We also provide email support (cbsupport mailing list) to users of our systems. We can't help you put Windows on your machine or fix machines with Windows on them.

Will you put Windows on for me?

We do NOT supply Windows systems or Microsoft software, or Apple systems or "dual boot" systems.

We think the cost of proprietary software such as Windows, contributes to the digital divide and that free/open source software is an excellent alternative. That is why we use open source software and do not use Microsoft Windows products.