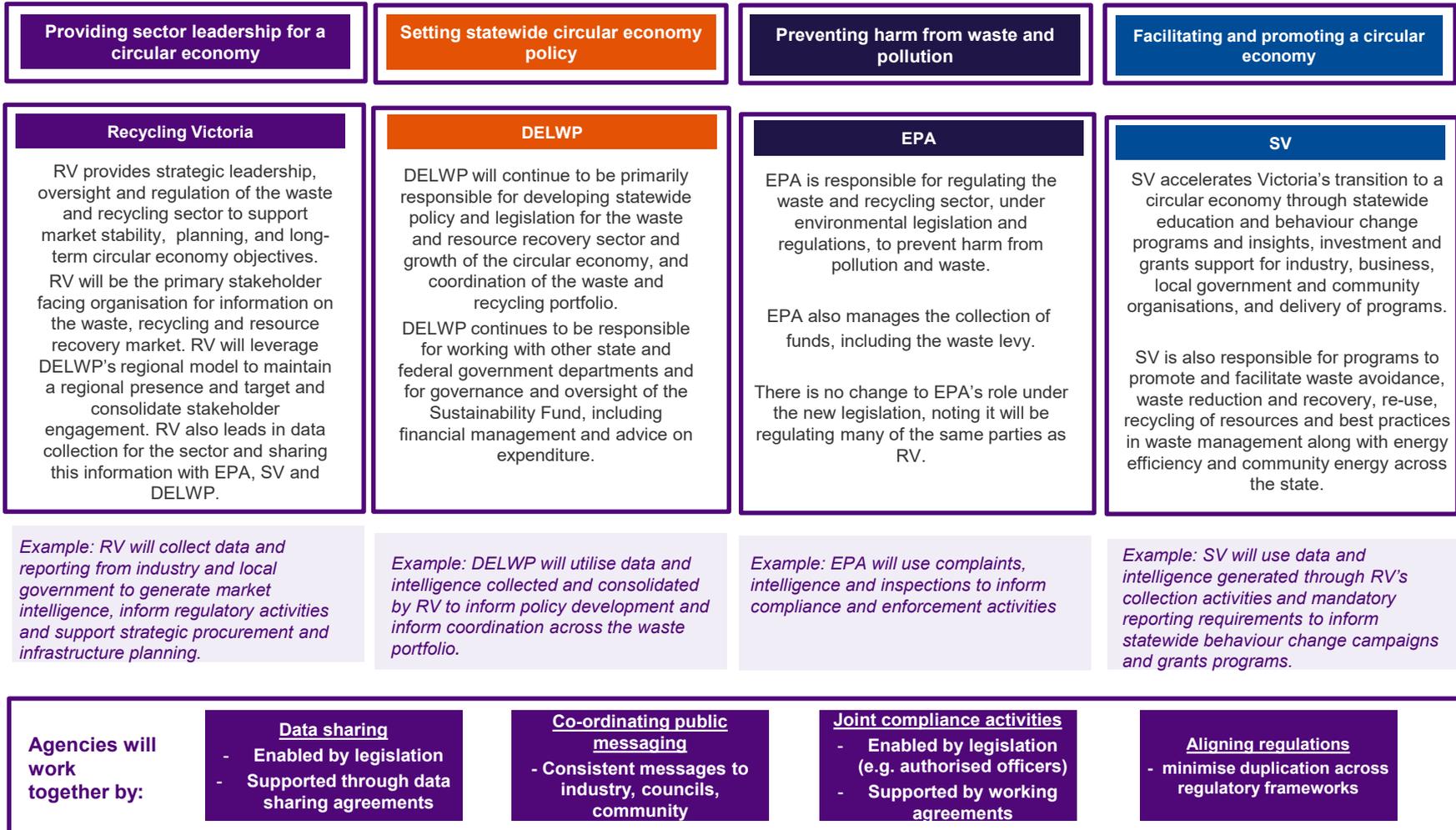


# Circular economy roles and responsibilities

The Victorian Government's commitment to reforming the waste and recycling sector and creating a circular economy is multifaceted.

Different entities in the environment and climate change portfolio support the delivery of key reforms, providing access to different stakeholders. A key driver for introducing the *Circular Economy (Waste Reduction and Recycling) Act 2021* was to streamline and clarify roles and responsibilities in the portfolio.



# Specific functions in waste and recycling



## Recycling Victoria\*

- Strategic planning for waste, recycling and resource recovery services
- Administer and regulate the CDS
- Support procurement by councils
- Develop (with DELWP) and regulate service standards
- Collect, manage, and analyse data across the sector
- Conduct inquiries into specific issues
- Provide reporting to track progress towards goals, lift performance, and inform policy



## DELWP

- Develop state-wide policy and legislation, including regulations and standards
- Coordination across portfolio
- Program implementation (including kerbside reforms) and governance
- Periodic reviews of CE Act and regulations
- Oversight of Sustainability Fund
- Working with the Australian Government and other state/territory governments



## Environment Protection Authority

- Identify, assess, monitor, and respond to risks of harm to human health and the environment from pollution and waste
- Administer permissions relating to waste, recycling, and resource recovery
- Monitor, support and enforce compliance with general environmental duty and specific waste duties
- Regulate the transport of waste
- Collect waste levy funds



## Sustainability Victoria

- Education and behaviour change
- Industry development and community support (including grants funding, investment facilitation)
- Delivery of sustainability programs such as ResourceSmart Schools and Detox Your Home
- Programs to create a circular economy including waste avoidance, waste reduction and recovery, re-use, recycling of resources and best practices in waste management across the state

\* Note: The the Environment Legislation Amendment (Circular Economy and Other Matters) Bill 2022 was introduced into Parliament on 7 June 2022. If passed, it would expand RV's functions to include infrastructure planning; risk, consequence and contingency planning; administering a cap on thermal waste to energy; development of market strategies and delivery of an annual market report.