



# BRIGHTER FUTURES START HERE

## Message from our CEO

*"Young people are at the heart of everything we do, our focus is always on providing the support they need to thrive."*

MICHELLE JENKINS, CEO





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# Our Values

## Empathy

Everyone's story is unique. We listen, connect, and truly understand so we can make a difference.

## Empowerment

We believe in young people's strength. We help them build confidence, take responsibility, and stand up for themselves and others.

## Unity

Together, we're stronger. By working as a team, we overcome challenges and create lasting change.

## Integrity

We lead with honesty and respect. We keep our word and build trust through our actions.

## Vigour

We're passionate and determined, and our energy is contagious! We are driven to make a positive difference in every way we can.



# AT YOUTH FUTURES, EVERY YOUNG PERSON MATTERS

Our vision is of a world where every young person is valued and celebrated, no matter their background or circumstance.

For 40 years, Youth Futures has walked side by side with at-risk young West Australians, offering safe homes, flexible education programs, job training, and trauma-informed care.

With warmth and inclusion, we create spaces where every young person feels valued, helping them heal, grow strong, and build brighter futures.

But we can't do it alone.



**Your support can be the turning point in a young person's life.**

Donate, fundraise, or spread the word – however you choose to get involved, you'll be helping to create real, lasting change.

## Our impact in 2024 snapshot

Our programs provide more than just shelter, they offer holistic support, helping youth gain independence, stable housing, education, employment, and essential services.



# TRAUMA- INFORMED PRACTICE

Youth Futures integrates trauma-informed practice (TIP) into everything we do.

We create safe, caring spaces in our accommodation, Community Schools, and support services to understand and ease trauma's effects.

TIP helps young people feel valued and build their strength and resilience.

*"At Youth Futures, we believe every young person deserves a safe, supportive space to heal and grow. Over the next year, we are excited to introduce the systemic implementation of trauma-informed practice, guided by research and evidence-based best practice, creating meaningful and positive change within our organisation and the wider community."*

**Jennifer Achari,**  
Head of School, Clarkson Hub





## **Our Purpose**

We stand with young people facing adversity and discrimination, empowering them to build brighter futures. Everyone deserves opportunity, no matter their background or circumstance.

## **Our Mission**

We provide professional services that help young people participate in their communities, improve well-being, and take control of their lives.

## **Our Vision**

A future where every young person is valued, respected, and celebrated for their unique strengths and contributions.

## WHAT WE DO



## Homelessness

We believe homelessness is just one chapter of a young person's story, not the whole book. As well as providing a safe place to sleep, we offer young people personalised case management to foster independence and well-being. Our team supports them with secure housing, education and training, counselling, job placement, and connections to government services, empowering them to overcome challenges and build brighter, stronger lives.

### In The Last Year We Provided



▣ Safe, short-term accommodation for 72 young people



▣ Transitional housing for 55 young people and 30 children



▣ Housing support for 50 young people and 25 children



▣ Outreach support for 85 young people and 23 children



## Our Support Services



**Nest** a safe and supportive outreach and accommodation program helping young parents, their babies and small children to grow and thrive.



**Djinda** 6-bed short-term crisis accommodation



**Brentwood** where young people can stay for up to 12 months.



**NTINOCA** short-term accommodation for ages 15-19



**TAP North & South** helps young people 16-21 gain independence with support for education, jobs, and housing.



**Housing Support North Metro** helps families aged 16-25 with housing, mental health, and employment.



**Housing Support Corrective Services** helps young people 16-18 post-justice system with housing and life skills.



**Youth Place** partners with St. Patrick's to help young people 15-25 in Fremantle find housing and tackle challenges.

## WHAT WE DO



## Support and Well Being

Our holistic approach boosts young people's confidence, life skills, and connections to education, employment and services. We offer young people confidential counselling on drugs and mental health, emergency aid like food and transport, a drop-in space at Altona youth centre in Beechboro with meals and workshops and tailored support for young humanitarian visa holders and immigrants.



### In The Last Year We Provided



Expanded our **Settlement Engagement and Transition Support (SETS)** program across Perth



Welcomed 251 young people to our **Altona Youth Centre's** drop-in sessions



Distributed food hampers, Coles vouchers, and other essentials to 213 young people in need

## **Our Services**



### **Altone Youth Centre**

A welcoming drop-in space in Beechboro where young people can access meals, workshops, informal counselling, and practical support.



### **Drug Education Support Service (DESS).**

Confidential counselling and harm reduction education on alcohol, drugs, mental health, and legal issues.



### **Emergency Relief**

Immediate support for young people in financial crisis, providing food, hygiene items, transport passes, and referrals for ongoing assistance.



### **Youth Settlement Service (SETS)**

One-on-one support for young people on humanitarian visas, helping them build independence and a sense of belonging through workshops and activities.



### **Youth Needs Assessment Service (YNAS)**

Mental health support from psychologists reducing wait times for young people already engaged with Youth Futures.

## Education

We believe education is key to opportunity but understand that mainstream schooling isn't for everyone - our holistic approach combines academic learning with wrap-around support, helping students reach their potential. Our team includes teachers, trainers, youth workers, psychologists and support staff, all working together to create a dynamic and nurturing environment.

Youth Futures empowers young West Australians with flexible education through our Community School Hubs, Comet Connect's mobile classrooms, personalised study at Anchor Point, Pathways for job and training transitions, and intensive one on one teaching.

### Our Education Programs



#### Community Schools

For Years 8-12 in Albany, Caversham, Clarkson, and Midland, offering accredited courses, personal development, and work readiness



#### Pathways

Helps ages 14-19 transition to education, training, or jobs with work-readiness and on-going support.



#### Comet Connect

Mobile classroom for ages 14-19, delivering flexible learning in safe spaces with wrap-around support.



#### Literacy Learning Support Program (LLSP)

One-on-one literacy and numeracy help for accredited courses and Certificate I completion.



#### Anchor Point

Personalized study for ages 15-19, focusing on VET courses, wellbeing, and one-on-one support.

## Education



## Educational Hubs

Our school sites are located across four Educational Hubs. They are:



# GET INVOLVED TODAY

We're for all young people – no matter who they are or what challenges they're facing and with your help, we can do even more.



## GIVE

Your support makes all the difference. Whether it's a one-off donation, a regular gift or even a bequest – your generosity shows young people that they are valued. Every little bit counts and is truly appreciated.



## SPONSOR

Ready to take your impact to the next level? We offer exciting opportunities to sponsor student scholarships and more. Let's work together to create a custom sponsorship package that matches your values and goals.



## VOLUNTEER

There are so many ways to get involved, from event support to team-building volunteering days. Got a special skill or passion? We'd love to connect with you and see how you can make a difference in the lives of the young people we support.



## FUNDRAISE

Ready to make a difference? Request a Fundraising Kit from the Youth Futures team and start planning your own unique way to support young people in need. Whether your idea big or small, we are here to help you every step of the way.



## FOLLOW

Stay in the loop with us on Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn @youthfutureswa for all the latest updates and heartwarming success stories. Want to do even more? Become an ambassador for change by sharing our posts and spreading the word within your community!



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**Together, we've got the power  
to create real, lasting change.  
Let's make it happen!**

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