



Planning for Youth
in the Shire of Mundaring

Youth Implementation Plan
To be reviewed annually

2008-2011

The following acronyms are used throughout this document

AAG	Shire of Mundaring Arts Advisory Group
CDA	Community Development Advisor (shire staff)
DAF	Darlington Arts Festival
DCP	Department for Child Protection
DHW	Department of Housing and Works
EDA	Economic Development Advisor (shire staff)
EMCS	Executive Manager Community Services (shire staff)
EMRC	Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council
FPWA	Family Planning Western Australia
FYA	Foundation for Young Australians
HCSG	Hills Community Support Group
HRA	Human Resource Advisor (shire staff)
IDAAC	Shire of Mundaring Inclusion and Disability Access Advisory Committee
KSP	Katharine Susannah Pritchard Writers Centre
LDAG	Mundaring Local Drug Action Group
LGA	Local Government Area
MAC	Mundaring Arts Centre
MCD	Manager Community Development (shire staff)
MHHS	Mundaring and Hills Historical Society
PCYC	Parkerville Children and Youth Care
SAC	Shire of Mundaring Seniors Advisory Committee
SVYC	Swan View Youth Centre (refers to building)
SVYS	Swan View Youth Service
VWA	Volunteering WA

Strategies	Lead Role	Possible Partners	Resources	How much\$ Possible funding sources	Timeframe	KPI
HEALTH AND WELLBEING						
Regularly update and promote the Shire of Mundaring Youth Health Services wallet card and the Youth Services Directory to ensure young people are aware of local health and support services and how to contact them. Ensure contacts for crisis care services and emergency accommodation services are included.	Seen and Heard	Youth peak body members CREW members	Staff time	Existing resources	Annually	Wallet card and directory is reviewed annually and updated as required. Card is distributed through schools, service providers and at all youth events. Directory distributed to service providers.
			Printing costs	\$2000 p.a. Dept Health & Ageing Youth Grants		
Continue lobbying at state and federal levels for increased GP coverage in the area.	MCD, CDA & Seen and Heard	Perth & Hills Division of GPs Local politicians SAC/IDAAC	Staff time	Healthway	Ongoing	2 stakeholder meetings held per year.
Continue to promote networking between local youth service providers through the Mundaring Peak Body Youth Services.	MCD, CDA & Seen and Heard	Peak body members	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Minimum 6 meetings held per year.
Continue health and wellbeing information dissemination through the Seen and Heard programme. Ensure that information specifically relating to safe sex practices, drug and alcohol use and mental health is made available in accessible locations throughout the shire.	Seen and Heard	Local schools Shire libraries/public facilities FPWA Health Department AIDS Council Women's Health Services	Staff time	Possible small cost for materials. Existing resources.	Ongoing	Information distributed. Articles appear in local newspapers/newsletters. Attendance at events by health providers & health promotion officers.
Investigate the possibility of a return of the Street Doctor (formerly MAC bus) service to the Mundaring area.	MCD, CDA & Seen and Heard	Perth & Hills Division of GPs	Staff time	Existing resources	Dec 2008	Feasibility of the return of the Street Doctor determined.
Investigate ways in which the shire, through Seen and Heard, can support local church based youth groups.	MCD, CDA & Seen and Heard	East Gate Youth Local churches	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2008	Meeting between church representatives.
Provide a space in central Mundaring and Swan View for visiting specialised service providers to offer outreach services. These could be based in the Seen and Heard office, Swan View Youth Centre building and Chidlow Professional Offices.	MCD, CDA & Seen and Heard	Swan View Youth Service Local Medical Centres East Metro Community Health program	Staff time Office Space Admin support	Existing resources	Feb 2009	Suitable space identified and promoted to visiting health services.
Given the national trend for young people to access more information through the internet, the shire support the development of a youth focussed website. This will provide information about local youth events, transport options, activities and services and will link young people to other specialised sites providing information on health and wellbeing.	MCD, CDA & Seen and Heard	Peak body members CREW members	Staff time Website development	Healthway \$5 000-10 000	July 2010	Youth focussed website developed and launched.
SEXUAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING						
Research existing strategies employed by other youth health agencies to promote safe sex practices. Adopt strategies where appropriate.	Seen and Heard	FPWA Local school nurses AIDS Council	Staff time To be Determined	Existing resources	Annually	Strategies adopted and implemented.
Support local service providers (such as school nurses) to deliver sex education and protective behaviours classes in school and other appropriate group settings where possible.	Seen and Heard PACS Counsellor	Local school nurses AIDS Council KISS Program	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing on request	Local service providers are supported as required.
			Staff training costs	Healthway \$2000		

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Investigate possible sources of funding for the employment of a health promotion officer who can focus on delivery of youth health programs such as PASH (Promoting Adolescent Sexual Health) and Protective Behaviours in the school setting and through other local groups.	MCD, CDA & Seen and Heard	Youth Peak Body members	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2009	Possible funding sources are identified. Funding submission developed.
			Training	0.5 FTP Healthway Dept. Health and Ageing		
DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE						
Continue to implement the Over 18 Safe Consumption of Alcohol project.	Seen and Heard	Local police Local publicans Community members	Staff time Small number of resources	Existing resources	Ongoing	Over 18 Safe Consumption of Alcohol delivered.
Support existing drug and alcohol education programmes and support services to operate within the Shire of Mundaring.	MCD, CDA & Seen and Heard	LDAG Drug and alcohol education/support agencies	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Existing drug and alcohol programmes are supported and promoted.
Promote alcohol and drug free activities for young people.	Seen and Heard Shire event organisers	Community festival organising committees (e.g. DAF, Swan View Show)	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Alcohol and Drug Free statement included on all promotional materials for activities and events.
Liaise regularly with local police to identify issues of concern relating to youth access to and use of alcohol and other drugs. Respond accordingly with education strategies where appropriate.	Seen and Heard Shire Officers	Youth Peak Body members Local police	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Local police invited to provide update to the Youth Peak Body at each Youth Peak Body meeting.
Continue to support LDAG initiatives.	Seen and Heard Shire staff where relevant	Youth Peak Body members Local publicans	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Seen and Heard attend LDAG meetings and support initiatives where required.
MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING						
Research and implement (where appropriate) initiatives to raise awareness of and assist young people in recognising mental health problems, locating appropriate support services and seeking help. Could be targeted at young people through schools, sporting clubs and other local groups.	Seen and Heard	Sporting, arts based and other community groups Local school nurses Office of Mental Health Green Apple Development (Mental Health First Aid Certificate)	Staff time to research and develop funding application.	Existing resources	July 2009	Continue implementation of existing Suicide Prevention campaign as per KPI document. Other mental health awareness initiatives are researched and implemented.
			Staff training Promotion Minor equipment purchase	\$10 000 FYA Lotterywest Healthway		

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Provide a range of opportunities for young people to develop skills in stress management, communication and problem solving.	Seen and Heard PACS Counsellor	Local schools Sporting, arts based and other community groups	Staff time Staff training	Existing resources	Ongoing	Stress management, communication and problem solving techniques included, where appropriate, in events/activities/newsletters etc.
Encourage youth participation/volunteering in community events and activities. This helps young people develop a sense of connection and belonging to their community and has positive mental health benefits.	Seen and Heard, Shire staff organising events	Community festival organising committees (e.g. DAF, Swan View Show) The CREW	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Youth space is provided at key community events.
Support the implementation of anti bullying programmes in schools, sporting clubs and other local community organisations.	Seen and Heard Shire Recreation Officers	Local schools and sporting/community groups Club Development Scheme	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Anti bullying strategies and messages are promoted through local youth based organisations.
TRANSPORT						
Continue to lobby local Transperth, Swan Transit and the State Government to review frequency and timing of public transport services to the hills area.	MCD CDA	Transport providers, SAC, IDAAC	Staff time	Existing resources	Annually	One stakeholder meeting held per year.
Research the feasibility of the development of a community bus service, to feed into the existing Midland-Mundaring service.	MCD CDA	Existing transport service providers	To be included as part of the Strategic Transport Plan	Existing resources	Dec 2008	Recommendations are made as part of the Strategic Transport Plan.
Research the feasibility of developing a specialised transport service for young people needing to access health and counselling services in central Mundaring or Midland.	MCD CDA Seen and Heard	Local schools	To be included as part of the Strategic Transport Plan	Existing resources	Dec 2008	Recommendations are made as part of the Strategic Transport Plan.
Include information about transport options on all material promoting youth events and activities.	Seen and Heard Shire staff organising events	Transport providers	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Transport options are included on all fliers and promotional materials for youth events and activities.

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CRISIS ACCOMMODATION / HOMELESSNESS						
Investigate the feasibility of the development of a register of local families who will look after young people on a short-term basis in crisis situations.	Seen and Heard	Local churches PCYC DCP	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2010	The feasibility of such a register is determined. A recommendation is made to MCD.
Lobby state and federal ministers and determine what support they can provide to young people in crisis in the Shire.	MCD CDA Seen and Heard	EMRC Other LGAs	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2010	Letters are written to local representatives.
Liaise with local service providers to collect and collate more information about the level of crisis and long term emergency housing that is required by young people in the Shire of Mundaring.	Seen and Heard	Peak body members	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2010	A report into the need for crisis and long term accommodation is presented to MCD.
Explore how the need for crisis accommodation is managed in other similar Shires. Liaise with community housing, EMRC and youth service agencies to determine levels in needs in other areas and potential partnerships.	MCD CDA	EMRC Other LGAs DHW	Staff time	Existing resources	Dec 2010	A report into crisis accommodation development options is presented to council.
Continue to support the delivery of the Parent and Adolescent Counselling Service.	MCD CDA PACS Counsellor	Peak body members	Staff time Administrative support to PACS.	Existing resources	Ongoing	PACS service continues to receive support from the Shire of Mundaring.
Investigate the feasibility of funding an additional PACS counsellor to support families and young people to resolve conflict.	MCD CDA PACS Counsellor	DCP Other LGAs covered by PACS	Staff time	Existing resources	March 2009	Possible sources of funding for additional PACS counsellor identified.
EDUCATION, TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT						
Support the implementation of the Shire of Mundaring's Economic Development policy - thus acknowledging that economic development brings more jobs and on the job training opportunities for all local people.	MCD CDA EDA	As identified in the Economic Development Plan	As identified in the Economic Development Plan	As identified in the Economic Development Plan	Ongoing	As per the Economic Development Plan.
Provide the opportunity for work experience placements within shire operations and administration, thus providing a model for the community.	HR/Training Safety Advisor MCD	TAFE Universities High Schools Disability Employment Network	Staff time for supervision/administration	Existing resources	Ongoing	The shire provides learning opportunities and professional support to students/trainees.
Develop a promotional campaign to encourage local businesses to take on trainees and work experience students.	MCD CDA Seen and Heard	EDA	Staff time Printing/advertising costs	Existing Resources Youth Grant \$2 000	July 2009	Promotional material distributed to local businesses. Advertisements placed in local papers.
Encourage education and training providers to offer programmes based in the central and eastern parts of the shire through the provision of suitable space (e.g. at the Hub of the Hills) and promotional support.	Seen and Heard	TAFE Universities Community based learning schemes Hub of the Hills	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Space and promotional support made available to suitable education and training providers.

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Ensure young people are targeted in promotional strategies for the Shire of Mundaring Jobs Expo.	CDA EDA	Seen and Heard SVYS MAC Brown Park Local Schools and sporting/community groups	Staff time	Existing resources.	May 2008 Ongoing if future events held	25% of total attendees are young people.
			Promotional material	Youth Grant		
Investigate the development and maintenance requirements of a local database for job vacancies, traineeships and apprenticeships appropriate to local young people.	MCD CDA EDA	Local job placement agencies Seen and Heard	Staff time	Existing resources	Dec 2009	Report into feasibility of database developed and presented to Council.
Provide opportunities for young people to develop their skills and knowledge through volunteering efforts within the local community.	Seen and Heard CDA - Volunteers	VWA Local schools and sporting/community groups	Staff time Promotional material	Existing resources	Ongoing	Young people are supported to volunteer at community events and within local community groups. Volunteer efforts of young people are recognised by the shire.
Support youth enterprise schemes within the shire to encourage young people to develop their own business ideas.	Seen and Heard	Local businesses Community market organisers	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Youth enterprise scheme are supported.
PUBLIC SPACE/RECREATION						
Develop a working party to investigate the feasibility of a community based coffee shop/café that has a particular focus on young people in a highly visible site in central Mundaring.	Seen and Heard MCD CDA	Youth peak body members Local businesses Local schools, sporting and community groups	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2009	Working party developed. Report into feasibility developed and presented to Council.
Work with local gymnasium providers to increase access to gyms for young people.	Seen and Heard	Club Sierra Swan Park Curves	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2009	Meeting with local gymnasium providers held.
Investigate the feasibility of adding basic gymnasium equipment to existing recreational facilities such as the swimming pools.	MRLS, Recreation Facility Managers		Staff time	Existing resources	Dec 2009	Costings and predicted usage levels determined and considered.
Support the redevelopment of the Swan View Youth Centre. When centre is completed: Co-locate services within the Swan View Youth Centre building to provide professional support to address issues arising from family conflict, use of drugs and alcohol and truancy.	EMCS, MCD, CDA	HCSG Swan View SHS Manager Brown Park Salvation Army Swan View Swan View Challenge City of Swan	Planning and redevelopment costs. Estimated \$1.5m	Shire contribution to be determined 750,000 Lotterywest 50 000 OCMF	Dec 2009	Youth Centre redeveloped. Services located.
Continue to subsidise junior level organised sport through reduced facility fees, and to promote junior sport throughout the Shire of Mundaring through information provision to the community.	MRLS, CFC	Local sporting and leisure based groups	Staff time	Continue to provide current subsidised fees.	Ongoing	Junior clubs continue to receive subsidised facility fees.

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Support the development of a variety of recreation/arts based activities to engage young people at risk in the Swan View area.	MCD, CDA MRLS SVYS Seen and Heard	Brown Park	Staff time	\$11,500 included in existing budget to fund activities at SVYC.	Ongoing	Minimum of 5 recreation/arts based activities held in the Swan View area per year (including those offered by the SVYS).
			Other activities Equipment Co-ordinators	DSR Youth Grants Proceeds of Crime		
Maintain existing dirt jump tracks and skateboarding facilities and maintain/install seating, shade and fountains.	MRLS Operations Services	Seen and Heard Woorloo Prison	Staff time	Funds included in ongoing maintenance budgets	Ongoing	Dirt jump and skate facilities are maintained. Each facility has appropriate shade, seating and access to drinking water.
			Purchase of equipment/ installation where required	\$5,000 per facility Identify possible external funding		
Continue to involve young people in the development and implementation of local youth recreational activities and events through youth led initiatives.	Seen and Heard	MRLS Local sporting and leisure based groups	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	A minimum of 4 youth recreational activities are developed for young people by young people per year.
Include young people in the development of the shire's Recreational Plan.	MRLS CDA CFC	Seen and Heard Local sporting and leisure based groups	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2008	Feedback from young people is included in the development of the plan.

CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Continue support of the Mundaring Arts Centre and Katharine Susannah Pritchard Writers Centre and their youth art projects.	MCD CDA KSPF MAC	Seen and Heard	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Support continues as per funding agreements.
Ensure that young people are encouraged to participate in the shire's cultural planning process.	MCD, CDA	Seen and Heard KSP MAC MHHS	Staff time	Existing resources	July 2008	Launching Into Youth documentation provided to consultant for inclusion in the plan.
Continue to involve young people in the development and implementation of local youth events through youth led initiatives such as Seen and Heard's "CREW".	Seen and Heard	Youth Peak Body members	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Young people participate in event development and implementation.
Continue to seek funding for youth art projects and youth events.	Seen and Heard MAC KSP MCD, CDA	Youth Peak Body Community festival organising committees (e.g. DAF, Swan View Show)	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Funding submissions developed.

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Continue to support existing successful strategies such as Seen and Heard's Youth Space at community festivals and dance parties.	Seen and Heard	MAC	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Youth events and activities.
Continue to involve young people in planning for culture and the arts through the provision of membership opportunities for young people on relevant local advisory groups and committees.	EMCS MCD MAC KSP	CPAC AAG	Staff time	Existing resources	Ongoing	Young people are represented on the Arts Advisory Group, Cultural Planning Advisory Committee, MAC & KSP committees.