

# Minutes

MYSN Meeting		
<b>Date:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2010	<b>Time:</b> 10am-12pm	<b>Venue:</b> UnitingCare Burnside – Iolanthe Street, Campbelltown
<b>Attendees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Alana O’Sullivan – Forum Sentencing</li><li>▪ Sue Purnell – Macarthur Disability Services</li><li>▪ Silvia Tedeschi – Macarthur Disability Services</li><li>▪ Jade Tedeschi – Narellan Youth Space</li><li>▪ Chye Toole – Campbelltown City Council</li><li>▪ Robel Tekcom – MDSI</li><li>▪ Matthew Broadbridge – Anglicare Youth Counselling</li><li>▪ Tracy Dunn – Break Through Mentoring</li><li>▪ Sarah Avila – Claymore Youth Centre</li><li>▪ Sally Berry – Youth Solutions</li><li>▪ Caroline Esho – Mission Australia</li><li>▪ Ibrahim Davids – Claymore Youth Centre</li><li>▪ Erin Hoffman – MDSI</li><li>▪ Stephen Zammit – Mission Australia</li><li>▪ Patricia Kelly – Mission Australia</li><li>▪ Jodie Grundy – Camden Council</li><li>▪ Kate Dixon – Campbelltown Council</li><li>▪ Josh Butson – Red Cross</li><li>▪ Martin Peesies – Lions Australia</li><li>▪ Ashley Searle – Northcott Disability Services</li><li>▪ Deborah Hulks – Burnside</li><li>▪ Leo Dynevor – Muru Nanga Mai</li><li>▪ Nevine Atlagic – Airds High School</li><li>▪ Sally Crawshaw – Red Cross</li><li>▪ Karen Chisnall – Sector Connect</li></ul>	
<b>Apologies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Christine Perkins</li><li>▪ Snr Cst Mark Scambray</li><li>▪ Michelle Williams</li><li>▪ Rachelle Barber</li><li>▪ Dallas Watt</li><li>▪ Stacey Bale</li><li>▪ Maria Esma</li></ul>	

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Guest Speaker	
	<p data-bbox="438 385 1316 421"><b>Red Cross “Save a Mate” Program – Josh Butson and Sally Crawshaw</b></p> <p data-bbox="534 470 694 504"><b>Josh Butson</b></p> <p data-bbox="534 504 1340 604">The “Save a Mate” Program started as a heroin overdose program but has now become a drug and alcohol program. Two components workshops, and festivals and events.</p> <p data-bbox="534 604 686 638">Workshops:</p> <ul data-bbox="534 638 1356 1086" style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The <b>3 and a half hour</b> workshop covers education around the effects of drug and alcohol on the body. This workshop takes a neutral view to drug and alcohol use and is delivered in a relaxed environment.</li><li>- The <b>6 hour</b> workshop covers the same components of the 3 and a half hour workshop but also has an accredited CPR component added to it.</li><li>- The costs of the workshops are at a reduced rate and there are possibilities for fee exemptions in some cases.</li><li>- Trainers are often surprised about how little people know about risk and trainers find it very satisfying to increase the knowledge of young people about the risks associated with drug and alcohol use.</li></ul> <p data-bbox="534 1086 798 1120">Festivals and events:</p> <ul data-bbox="534 1120 1356 1400" style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Attend festivals and events to set up a ‘chill out’ space</li><li>- The “Save a Mate” program has established a number of partnerships with various networks to engage young people e.g. MTV.</li><li>- Recruitment for volunteers for festivals and events happens annually from May-June. Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older. All volunteers go through training and receive accreditation in senior first aid.</li></ul> <p data-bbox="534 1400 1109 1433"><b>Sally Crawshaw – Youth Engagement Officer</b></p> <p data-bbox="534 1433 1332 1512">Sally works on projects that don’t fall under the “Save a Mate” program.</p> <p data-bbox="534 1512 726 1545">Breakfast Club:</p> <ul data-bbox="534 1545 925 1612" style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Runs within schools</li><li>- Provide breakfast at school</li></ul> <p data-bbox="534 1612 622 1646">MYOR:</p> <ul data-bbox="534 1646 1356 1758" style="list-style-type: none"><li>- A program that runs for newly arrived young migrants.</li><li>- Young migrants are taken on excursions to orient themselves into the community</li></ul> <p data-bbox="438 1780 1364 1892">Red Cross wants to provide good opportunities for young people, as well as share resources and link up with other services. Campbelltown is a priority area.</p>

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Questions	Response	
For services which don't have an established youth network but have singular clients, how could they get information on where to access the Red Cross services such as "Save a Mate" workshops?	Services usually put on workshops collaboratively. Youth week is coming up and this could be an opportunity for services to hold something together in partnership.	
<b>Macarthur Youth Services Promotion Card</b>		
	<p>Interested parties have been contacted to form a working group to work on the Macarthur Youth Services Promotion Card.</p> <p>Optus Grant that was applied for to fund the printing of the card was unsuccessful so other funding opportunities need to be looked at.</p> <p>Working group will meet outside of MYSN and report to the MYSN group as developments unfold.</p>	
Action Items	Responsibility	Deadline
Follow up on any funding opportunities	All	Ongoing
<b>Ethical Dilemma</b>		
	Jodie Grundy and Kate Dixon	
	<p><b>You have discovered that a young person who regularly engages with your youth service has stolen some clothes from the local shopping centre. How do you act to resolve this situation without breaking the rapport you have built with the young person?</b></p> <p>The youth worker could explain the ethics around what they have done and explain that it is the young person's responsibility to take the stolen clothes back to the store.</p> <p>It is important that while the youth worker encourages the young person to take the clothes back to the store, that they still offer support to the young person.</p> <p>If it is identified that the young person did not have any clothes, the youth worker could follow up by going to St Vincent de Paul's etc. to source some clothes for the person, as well as addressing any financial problems the young person may be experiencing.</p> <p>It was emphasized that if the youth worker does nothing about the situation, that they may inadvertently be condoning the young person's behaviours and actions.</p>	

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Information Share	
11:30am	<p>The group shared information about services and upcoming events verbally. This information was not recorded in the minutes, however completed information share forms are attached as follows</p>
	<p><b>Traxside</b> Young mums and bubs group starting 8<sup>th</sup> November, from 10am-12noon every Monday for six weeks. Call Sarah on 4625 2525 New staff member: Aboriginal Health Education Officer, Kim Simon</p> <p><b>Connexions Team Burnside</b> <u>CYS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- “Love Bites” being run on the 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of December. “Love Bites” deals with sexual and domestic violence. Being run at Ambarvale High School</li><li>- Ongoing activities available for young people 12-25 years of age. Contact CYS team on 4628 3199 for more information.</li><li>- Koori Flow finishes on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> November 2010. Koori Flow has been running for 1 year.</li><li>- School holiday program starts in December. Please assist in distribution.</li></ul> <p><u>Reconnect:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Outreach projects are going well.</li><li>- at Wollondilly to offer weekly service support and Narellan on a monthly basis</li><li>- ACTIV8 Training Program available next year (2011)</li></ul> <p><b>Break Through Mentoring</b> Break Through is looking for more referrals of young people (16-25 yrs) to participate in our mentoring program. The aim of the program is to improve confidence and develop skills needed for young people struggling to find employment and sustain it. If you’re working with any young people that might benefit from working with a mentor please contact Tracy (Program Coordinator) on 0420 308 324 or <a href="mailto:tracy@livenlearn.com.au">tracy@livenlearn.com.au</a></p> <p><b>Anglicare Youth Counseling</b> Low cost counseling available for adolescents and their families. Free counseling available for independent young people aged 10-21 years old. Also a relief program for food, electricity and living costs available.</p> <p><b>Airds High School</b> Program starting at Airds High School around vocational education for students at risk or disengaged from school. Contact Nevine Atlagic on 4625 5811 or <a href="mailto:nevine.atlagic@det.nsw.edu.au">nevine.atlagic@det.nsw.edu.au</a> for more information</p>

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Next Meeting	Meeting Date	
	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2011 <u>Venue</u> : Sector Connect – 351 Welling Drive, Mount Annan <u>Time</u> : 10am-12pm	