

STATEWIDE YOUTH CONSULTATION - Overview -

PURPOSE:

These youth consultations aim to engage young people from multicultural backgrounds as **experts** in their own lives. They provide the opportunity to inform policy makers and youth practitioners of the needs of young people through a practical approach to engagement, service delivery and support networks.

Consultations will focus on these key themes:

- Settlement and social cohesion initiatives that promote quality of life outcomes for multicultural youth.
- Integration and social inclusion leading to increased economic participation.

OUTCOMES:

- Undertake regional consultations with young people and service providers.
- Highlight social cohesion initiatives.
- Bring young people together at a state-wide gathering in November.
- Produce a data analysis and consolidate the information into a policy paper.
- Present findings at key forums such as the FECCA 2013 conference.
- Develop a MYAN QLD youth representation group and build their capacity to engage with their communities to encourage project and advocacy work.

DATES AND LOCATIONS:

Youth consultations will be conducted between the 23rd September and the 2nd of October 2013 in the following areas:

Cairns, Townsville, Mackay, Rockhampton, Gladstone, Bundaberg, Hervey Bay, Gympie and Brisbane.

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