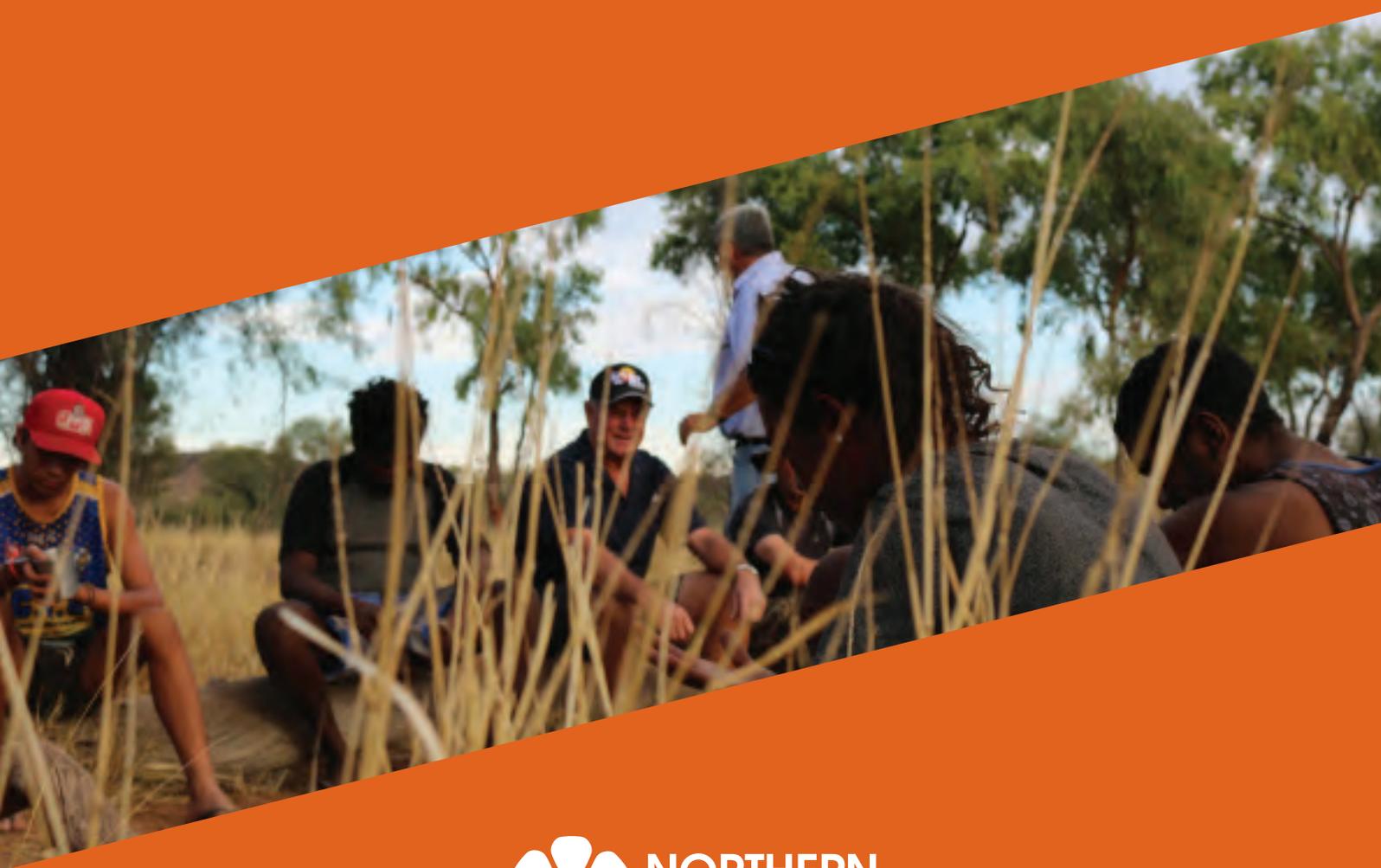


Youth Justice Advisory Committee Annual Report 2016-17





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Minister for Territory Families
Parliament House
Darwin NT 0810
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Dear Minister

The Youth Justice Advisory Committee (YJAC), in accordance with section 213 of the *Youth Justice Act 2005* (the Act), is pleased to present the 2016-17 YJAC Annual Report.

In the reporting period, YJAC's involvement in the Youth Justice System (YJS), as per section 204 of the Act, has included the monitoring and evaluation of the operation of the Act, advising you on needs and issues within the YJS, and adherence to the Act and the sector to inform government policy and program direction. These activities have occurred in line with the change in government, and new a department overseeing Youth Justice, with Territory Families requesting an increased YJAC involvement in reforms to youth justice and child protection. The Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory has also been a relevant consideration.

The overall functions of the YJAC have been constrained due to the resignation of members, resulting in the YJAC not having a quorum for several meetings. This is mainly due to Northern Territory government (NTG) appointed members resigning because of a conflict of interest with the change in NTG departments overseeing Youth Justice and community committee member's workloads impacting on their family lives, their abilities to attend meetings, and their capacity to engage with other committee members outside designated meetings due to the same constraints.

The YJAC has resolved these issues with the recruitment and appointment of new YJAC members, community and NTG member representatives, as per section 206 of the Act, to ensure that the YJAC committee member composition is more representative of the NT community and regions as per the Act. Additionally, the new members are involved in the YJS at a 'grassroots' level, and they are committed to their involvement in monitoring, addressing and advertising on young people's involvement in the YJS.

YJAC members have also been discussing the need to involve the NTG with discussions into the establishment of a NT Youth Peak and the representation of a youth peak on YJAC.

The primary focus of YJAC meetings, discussions, considerations, research and correspondence in 2016-17 has involved:

- Proposing justice reinvestment program models as an alternative to a young person's involvement in the YJS, especially in regional and remote communities.
- Proposing alternatives to detention to address a young person's offending behaviours through a regionalised case management approach with residential bail support programs, transitions from residential rehabilitation and young people at risk of being homeless, as per the previous government's *Youth Justice Framework, 2015-17*.
- Advocating for the YJAC to continue negotiating with Territory Families (TF), the YJs and the Minister; proposing to monitor, evaluate and advise on all aspects of TF, YJ, operations as per the Youth Justice Framework 2015-17 and the Act, and proposing that YJAC Secretariat position be independent from TF.
- Monitoring the effectiveness of diversion programs with pre- and post-court referrals to diversion programs to address a young person's recidivist offending, including re-establishing and exploring a Restorative Justice approach to youth justice issues.
- Monitoring, supporting and evaluating the Responsible Adult Support Program (RASP).
- Monitoring alternatives to detention programs and services through guidelines, programs, service delivery and evaluation as per sections 204, functions and 205, powers of the Act.

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- Advocating for adequately resourced early intervention and prevention programs in regional and remote communities, within a case management framework to circumvent offending related to volatile substance and other substance misuse.
- Inspecting the Youth Detention Centres as per section 204 of the Act.
- Identifying and advocating for regional and community-based solutions to address social disadvantages, mental health issues and disabilities for young people involved in the youth justice and child protection systems.

The YJAC has also had involvement and input into TF's new Youth Outreach and Re-engagement Teams (YORET), Territory Families' Dual Pathways program and the Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory.

The YJAC anticipates that this focus could be redefined with the findings of the Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory to be handed down in November 2017, in the context of the YJAC's proposed input. This is an opportunity for the YJAC to be proactive with the Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory recommendations and proposed Territory Families reforms and its involvement with Territory Families, as indicated by Territory Families CEO at the June 2017 YJAC meeting.

I appreciate the efforts of all YJAC committee members where possible, due to their busy workloads, and I recognise the secretariat support for the YJAC throughout this reporting period and previously. YJAC members wish the former secretariat all the best for his future endeavours.

In accordance with the Act, I verify to you that the 2016-17 YJAC annual report is an accurate record of YJAC's involvement in the YJS from 2016-17.

Yours sincerely,

Stewart Willey

Stewart Willey
Youth Justice Advisory Committee Chair

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Introduction

The Act commenced in 2005 and the establishment of the Youth Justice Advisory Committee commenced in 2008.

Part 13 of the Act provides for the establishment of the Youth Justice Advisory Committee (YJAC).

On 1 July 2008, responsibility for the Act (except Part 3 and provisions relating to youth detention) transferred from the Minister for Justice and Attorney-General; Department of Justice to the Minister for Children and Families; Department of Children and Families.

On 1 July 2012, responsibility for the Act (except Part 3 and provisions relating to youth detention) was transferred from the former Minister for Children and Families and Department of Children and Families to the Minister for Justice in accordance with the Review of the Northern Territory Youth Justice System: Report September 2011.

August 2012 saw a change in government and responsibility for the Act transferred to the Department of Correctional Services. The Youth Justice Division, Department of Correctional Services was responsible for providing administrative and secretariat support to the YJAC.

In 2016 the change in government resulted in most Youth Justice areas being transferred to Territory Families and their legislative reforms to transfer additional NTCS responsibilities to TF e.g. bail and supervision orders under NTCS to TF and the powers of the CEO for TF, to be in line with commissioner of NTCS.

YJAC current membership

The committee must reflect the composition of the community at large and comprise government, non-government and community representatives. The terms of office are for three years or as stated in the Instrument of Appointment. Members are eligible for reappointment.

The current YJAC committee member composition is more representative of the Northern Territory community and regions with the recruitment of members and their involvement in the YJS, as per the Act. They are committed to monitoring, advising and addressing young people's involvement in the YJS.



Youth Justice Advisory Council membership 2017

Title	First name	Last name	Appointed under	Nominated by:	Term expiry date	Location
Ms	Louise	Blacker	206(2)(a)	Commissioner for Corrections	31/12/2017	ASP
Mr	Brent	Warren	206(2)(b)	Commissioner for Police	31/05/2017	DRW
Mr	Luke	Twyford	206(2)(c)	CEO, Territory Families	Resigned	DRW
Ms	Dorrelle	Anderson	206(2)(c)	CEO, Territory Families	31/05/2020	ASP
Ms	Marion	Guppy	206(2)(d)	CEO, Department of Education	31/12/2017	DRW
Ms	Leanne	Liddle	206(2)(e)	CEO, Department of the Attorney-General & Justice	Resigned	DRW
Mr	Clement	Ng	206(2)(g)	Law Society NT	Resigned	DRW
Mr	Stewart	Willey	206(2)(h)	Community member	31/12/2017	TC
Ms	Meg	Geritz	206(2)(h)	Community member	31/12/2017	KATH
Ms	Noletta	McKenzie-Young	206(2)(h)	Community member	Resigned	Maningrida
Mr	Matthew	Bonson	206(2)(h)	Community member	31/05/2020	ASP
Mr	Danny	Curtis	206(2)(h)	Community member	31/05/2020	GOVE
Ms	Michelle	Bates	206(2)(h)	Community member	31/05/2020	TC
Ms	Melissa	May	206(2)(h)	Community member	31/12/2017	ASP
Mr	Jarrod	Ashcroft	-	Secretariat officer (Territory Families)	-	

YJAC functions, membership, powers, meetings and annual report requirements as per sections 203, 204, 205, 206, 211, 212 and 213 of the Act

Section 203 establishment

- (1) There is established the Youth Justice Advisory Committee comprising government, non-government and community representatives.
- (2) The committee must reflect the composition of the community at large and accordingly, as far as practicable, should consist of the following:
 - (a) Equal numbers of male and female members;
 - (b) At least two members who are Aboriginal;
 - (c) At least one member who is under the age of 25 years at the time of appointment;
 - (d) At least one member who has formerly been a detainee.

Section 204 YJAC functions are

- (a) To monitor and evaluate the administration and operation of this Act.
- (b) To advise the minister (whether on request by the minister or otherwise) on issues relevant to the administration of youth justice, including the planning and development.
- (c) To collect, analyse and provide the minister with information relating to issues and policies concerning youth justice.
- (d) Any other functions imposed by this Act.
- (e) Any other functions as directed by the minister.

Section 205 YJAC powers are:

The committee has the powers necessary or convenient to carry out its functions.

Section 206 members

- (1) The committee consists of not less than eight and not more than 12 members appointed by the minister.
- (2) The members are to be comprised, as far as practicable, of:
 - (a) One person nominated by the director, and
 - (b) One person nominated by the commissioner of Police; and
 - (c) One person nominated by the agency responsible for protection of children and young people; and
 - (d) One person nominated by the agency responsible for the education of youth; and
 - (e) One person nominated by the agency responsible for crime prevention; and
 - (f) One person nominated by a peak youth organisation; and
 - (g) One person nominated by the Law Society Northern Territory; and
 - (h) Others drawn from the community generally; the Aboriginal community in particular.

- (3) The minister must be satisfied that each person appointed to be a member has experience, skills, qualifications or other credentials that the minister considers appropriate for the person to satisfactorily contribute to the committee's work.

Section 211 meetings

- (1) The chairperson must call meetings of the committee as often as necessary for the performance of its functions; so that not more than six months lapses between two successive meetings.
- (2) The minister may at any time direct the chairperson to convene a meeting of the committee and the chairperson must convene a meeting accordingly.
- (3) The chairperson must preside at all meetings at which he or she is present and, in his or her absence, the members present must elect one of their number to act as the chairperson.
- (4) Subject to this Act, the committee may determine the procedure to be followed at or in connection to its meetings.
- (5) The committee must keep records of its meetings.

The YJAC held two face to face meetings in the 2016-17 financial year, in November 2016, including an inspection of Loves Creek SYBC, run by BushMob, and in June 2017. There was attempt to hold a meeting in February but a quorum of members was not achieved. This resulted in recruitment of new YJAC members that were more representative of the Northern Territory to adhere to the committee composition, as per the Act.

Following each meeting, minutes are prepared by the secretariat and distributed to members. However, due to the secretariat's workload with NTDCS, minutes for the financial year 2015/16 were only distributed to members in August, 2016.

YJAC meetings schedule 2016-17

Time/date	Meeting type	Duration	Quorum
16 August 2016	Teleconference	0900 - 1300	Yes
20 October 2016	Teleconference	1200 - 1230	Yes
17 November 2016	Face-to-face (Alice Springs)	0830 - 1530	Yes
19 - 20 June 2017	Face-to-face (Darwin)	0830 - 1530 (both days)	Yes

Note: The committee attempted to meet several times during the period January - May 2017. However, due to the resignations of several members, the committee was not able to lock in dates where a quorum could be achieved. New members were appointed in June 2017 and the committee agreed to a more frequent meeting schedule for 2017-18.

Section 212 quorum

At a meeting of the committee, half the number of members appointed constitutes a quorum.

Section 213 annual report

- (1) The committee must, as practicable after 30 June in each year, and in any event not later than the next following 30 September, give the Minister a report of the activities on the committee during the preceding financial year.
- (2) The minister must table a copy of the report in the Legislative Assembly within five sitting days of the assembly after receiving it.

YJAC's focus areas for 2016-17

The YJAC focused on the following areas of the YJS, to reduce and cease young people's involvement in crime through alternative programs and service provision to address their offending behaviours, in particular by utilising a through-care case management approach prior to, during and after their YJS involvement and concerning an early intervention and prevention framework:

- Researching and proposing justice reinvestment program models in regional and remote communities, evidenced based programs and services of best practice as an alternative to detention and electronic monitoring.
- Alternatives and evaluating the cost of electronic monitoring of young people, the pros and cons, especially for young people living in regional and remote communities.
- Proposing proactive alternatives to detention to address a young person's offending behaviours through a case management approach to address their needs, issues and barriers through the establishment of residential bail support programs for young people who have no residential alternatives to bail, as per the proposed Youth Justice Framework, and access to case management services in regional and remote communities.
- Advocating for YJAC to continue negotiating with NTDCS, YJ and proposing to monitor, evaluate and advise on all aspects of NTDCS, YJ, operations and functions as per the proposed Youth Justice Framework.
- Monitoring the Responsible Adult Support Program (RASP).
- Monitoring the Early Intervention Youth Boot Camp Program (EIYBC) guidelines, programs and service delivery.
- Ongoing monitoring of section 64 referrals, as per the Act, from the Youth Justice Court to diversion programs, due to recent Supreme Court ruling.
- Reinstating the Youth Justice Issues Register for mainly non government organisations (NGOs), working in the YJS at the 'grass roots' level, the Central Australian Youth Justice Committee (CAYJ) and the Top End Youth Justice Coalition, have the ability to voice their issues, needs and concerns in YJS for YJAC to discuss, address and propose solutions that can be raised with minister.
- YJAC inspecting the Don Dale and Alice Springs Youth Detention Centres and BushMob's Loves Creek Sentenced Youth Wilderness Camp facility pilot program and discussing their findings and observations with the Minister as compared to:
 - Part eight (youth detention centres) of the Act.
 - The Australasian Juvenile Justice Administrator's standards and guidelines for young people in detention, especially for young people on remand.
 - The United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Protection of Juveniles Deprived of their Liberty (Beijing Rules)
 - The United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for Non-Custodial Measures (Tokyo Rules), notably for young people on remand because they have no residential bail alternatives prior to sentencing.
 - The United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Administration of Juvenile Justice (Havana Rules).

YJAC is proposing an independent body or person, such as YJAC to inspect a detention centre, as per section 168 of the Act, above and beyond the Elder Visiting Program and Official Visitors Program, on a regular basis, not only when a centre is in crisis.

Correspondence out

- Data collection letter to Territory Families and the minister.
- YJAC membership recruitment to service providers.
- Research papers to members regarding programs and services of best practice.
- YJAC requesting issues for the issues register from NGOs and other service providers.
- YJAC requesting input from Territory Families in relation to programs and services.
- YJAC inspection of the Loves Creek SYBC program letter to the minister and cc'd to the CEO of BushMob.
- Updated YJAC focus areas for 2016-17 to the minister.

Correspondence in

- NTCOSS risk assessment tools.
- Jesuit Social Services, NTG budget submission for programs and services.
- TF involvement of YJAC in the cross agency committee to provide input into YORET's position and role.
- The Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory involvement from YJAC in the roundtable discussion.
- Justice Reinvestment Coalition asking for YJAC involvement.
- TF involvement of YJAC in the Dual Pathways consultations regarding child protection.

Conclusion

YJAC members commend and respect the Territory Families' involvement of YJAC in the current government reforms in youth justice with Territory Families regional solutions, especially in an early intervention/ prevention framework and supported residential bail support programs, with YOREO support, as an alternative to detention, for young people who have no residential bail program alternatives and the inclusion of YJAC in an oversight of these proposed programs and services.

YJAC supports the establishment of a consistent practice philosophy throughout the various operational areas of the youth justice system. This philosophy should recognise the principles of restorative justice and the need to divert young people from the YJS at the earliest opportunity. Diversion and through-care planning strategies need to be provided at every stage of the YJS from first contact with police through to post-detention.

The principles and the provisions of the Act do not require change, what is required is a commitment to implement and adhere to the Act and to resource the YJ sector accordingly, especially with an early intervention, prevention focus, in a case management framework involving the young person's family members and elder and respected person engagement, pre sentence conferencing, as per section 84 of the Act, with elder and respected community engagement and involvement, proactive diversion programs being delivered with through-care plans being developed, in a case management framework, appropriate through-care plans being developed with young people in detention and residential bail support programs, to reduce and cease a young person's offending through the involvement and empowerment of young people, responsible family members, elders and respected persons, community members and proactive youth service providers, at every stage that the young people are involved in the YJS.

This is to ensure that the YJS does not become the parent/responsible adult dis-empowering family members, elders and respected persons and/or community members.

The current composition of the YJAC committee membership ensures that there is 'grassroots' expertise and experience and is related to young people's involvement in the YJS.

This allows YJAC to have the capability to advocate and lobby the NTG and monitor YJ in Territory Families for resourced best practice programs and services to cease or reduce a young person's involvement in the YJS with through-care plans that have family members and Elders and Respected community members involvement.

YJAC should be the 'voice' to the Minister to inform and promote change within the YJS and advocate for YJ programs of best practice; early intervention, diversion and through-care planning in a case management framework for post court and detention experiences and bail support programs, as an alternative to detention.

However, this focus could be redefined with the findings and recommendations of the Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory in 2017.

Summary of key activities

YJAC's involvement in the Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory

YJAC's involvement in the Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory commenced after the Royal Commission's terms of reference were formalised.

This was relevant due to YJAC's involvement in the YJ and child protection systems, since the implementation of the Act in 2006 and the establishment of YJAC in 2008.

YJAC involvement in the Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory included:

The Chairperson received a notice to produce as follows:

- Section 206 of the Act (Members); the details of any person appointed by the minister, (including any of the Minister's predecessors), to be a member of the Youth Justice Advisory Committee, during the relevant period, the last 10 years, under section 206 of the Act and documents, anything on which there is writing; and anything on which there are marks, figures, symbols or perforations having a meaning for persons qualified to interpret them; and anything from which sounds, images or writings can be reproduced with or without the aid of anything else and a map, plan, drawing or photograph.
- Section 211 of the Act (Meetings); any notes, reports, records of committee meetings or other documents prepared by any Youth Justice Advisory Committee member during their term in office, for the last 10 years.

YJAC members also participated in Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory community consultations in Alice Springs/Central Australia, Tennant Creek and the Barkly Region and the Katherine Region and provided their feedback to the YJAC meetings for other members' consideration.

A meeting with Commissioner Gooda in Tennant Creek was facilitated by the YJAC Chairperson with the Youth Forum Steering Committee to ensure that the Commissioner had a youth perspective on the needs, issues and barriers that young people are facing in the YJ and Child Protection Systems.

YJAC's chairperson was also invited to join the Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory roundtable in Alice Springs in February 2017. The Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory roundtable was attended by professionals, consultants, educators, researchers and 'grassroots' workers in the Youth Justice and Child Protection Systems from across Australia.

The roundtable discussions concerned presentations of evidenced-based programs of best practice, especially with an early intervention and prevention focus to the youth justice and child protection systems. On the other hand, participants at the roundtable also identified pertinent issues and came up with solutions including therapeutic programs and services and through-care models involving responsible adults and elders.

The Royal Commission into the Protection and the Detention of Children in the Northern Territory convened a full-day service provider 'Roundtable' in Alice Springs on 24 February 2017 to discuss youth diversion and alternatives to youth detention. The purposes of the Roundtable were to allow service providers to explore together:

- the principles they would want to underpin the NT juvenile justice system
- diversion programs already available in the NT and other jurisdictions
- effective ways for the community to be involved in diversion options
- how remoteness impacts on diversion options.

Topics covered during the Roundtable sessions included:

- Diversion by police
- Diversion from the courts
- Diversion from remand
- Diversion in sentencing
- Diversion from detention
- Diversion programs in the Northern Territory
- Diversion program in other jurisdictions
- Community engagement in diversion
- Key principles underpinning youth detention in the Northern Territory
- Alternative detention models (therapeutic, trauma-informed, community models) in other jurisdictions
- Community involvement in planning and implementing alternatives to detention
- Design of facilities.

A summary of YJAC's input to this Roundtable follows.(Please note these issues and themes are in no particular order)

Positive aspects of the Act as alternatives to detention.

Provisions in the Act for:

- diversion (sections 37 – 45 of the Act),
- post-court diversion (section 64 of the Act),
- approved programs (section 90 of the Act),
- good behaviour orders (section 91 of the Act),
- community work orders (sections 93 - 97 of the Act),
- pre-sentence reports (sections 69 - 75 of the Act),
- pre-sentence conferencing (section 84 of the Act),
- suspended sentences (sections 98 and 98A of the Act),
- alternative sentencing options to detention (sections 99 – 110 of the Act),
- operiodic detention orders (sections 111 – 120 of the Act).

Sections of the *Northern Territory Youth Justice Act 2005* and Youth Justice System that need enhancement

Youth Justice Act

There are prior incidents where the Act was not being adhered to by police and the court system. This is with respect to young people not having a responsible adult present, sections 18, 19, 23 and 35 of the Act, when being interviewed and when bail is (sections 83, 134 of the Act and 37B of Bail Act 2011) granted/revoked and during appearances in court. Young people do not understand criminal proceedings including bail conditions (sections 15, 61, 150 of the Act) and need these explained to them in a language they understand in relation to their responsibilities.

Separate youth justice court

Throughout the NT with the exception of Darwin and Alice Springs, bush circuit courts have no separate court facilities for adults and young people's court matters (section 26 of the Act requires separation from adults wherever practicable). In all cases, the local court judge simply states we are closing the Local Court and opening the Youth Justice Court, or vice versa. However, the same people are present in the courtroom, namely adults. The only closed court proceedings are for children in care. This is not done in other Australian jurisdictions.

Numerous adjournments

- There are several examples of lengthy adjournments for young people. This is especially the case when young people are given the option of diversion or they are on post court diversion, section 64 referrals under the Act. These matters can take a least three adjournments until the young person is granted diversion and then three more court appearances whilst they are on a diversion program. This process can take at least six to eight months with about eight court appearances, until the diversion is completed.
- The aim of the diversion program is to keep young people out of the youth justice system. However, the current process is involving young people more and more, and is clogging up the court system unnecessarily.
- Plea bargaining with the prosecution to negotiate charges also causes unnecessary delays. This usually takes up to three adjournments before the matter is finalised.

Diversion

- All young people on post-court diversion (sections 37 – 45 of the Act) are also on bail with the same or similar conditions, especially curfews. This appears to be ineffective. If they breach their bail, they will fail their diversion program.
- Curfew seems to be a standard program requirement which is in place for the whole of the diversion program, sometimes three months. In many cases, this requirement is setting up the young people to fail due to their unstable family environment and social circumstances.
- In the past, The Youth Diversion Unit (YDU) completes the assessment for diversion within a two week time frame (in Tennant Creek). However, it can take at least three months for the program providers to initiate the diversion program after the conference. Most programs are at least three months long. In most cases, the whole diversion process can take up to eight months to complete and some of the offences were committed eight months prior. In saying this, police are reviewing their diversion program procedures.
- The length of time this takes has a negative effect on diversion as young people can no longer remember their offending behaviour clearly. As a young man stated to a YJAC member this week, he would rather 'take his chance in court' because diversion takes too long.

The Northern Territory has the highest incarceration rates of indigenous young people than any other Australian jurisdiction

- The majority of the young people incarcerated are Indigenous. The majority of these young people have alcohol and other drug issues. They are also unnecessarily targeted because they tend to engage in anti-social behaviours in the public due to their social circumstances. They are often on remand because of no suitable residential bail alternatives.

Alcohol and drug (AOD) and volatile substance misuse and issues

- There are only few programs, Territory-wide, for young people under 16 with alcohol and other drugs (AOD), volatile substance abuse (VSA) and petrol sniffing misuse but their offending is usually related to substance misuse. There needs to be holistic residential programs with education/training, life skills, anger management, sports and recreation and access to counselling and other health services.
- In the past, the Youth Diversion Unit had a residential program which addressed the needs and issues of young people. In Tennant Creek, young people are able to access counselling for AOD, VSA and mental health through the VSA clinical nurse in town. However, when they return from residential rehabilitation, nothing has changed in their families' circumstances and there is a lack of residential transition program so youth service providers can transition the young person back into school and engage with family members with interventions and strategies that work with the young person.

Therapeutic programs to address criminogenic needs

There is a lack of capacity for programs to address the needs of young offenders generally. There is a need to increase resources to youth generally in areas that can address the issues that lead to offending. We need to be careful to provide programs to all youth i.e. not make the justice system the gatekeeper. ("I can only get help if I am an offender"). This may require a commitment from Northern Territory Government beyond 'youth justice'.

No peak youth body in the Northern Territory for youth issues and youth justice system

This makes it challenging for youth service providers to lobby government for the needs and issues of young people and funding for programs and services that effect these needs and issues. Also, young people are not given a voice at this level of government.

Cyclical nature of offending

In the Barkly region and /or Central Australia, offending and anti-social behaviour increases over the wet season. This is due to people moving into town due to the wet season and school holidays. This is also prevalent in Alice Springs and Central Australia. There is a need for youth service providers to provide programs and services for young people in this period during and after hours.

Training of All Court Officials, Police and Youth Workers

- Young people need to have a constructive experience and to understand their involvement in the YJS. If this occurs, they are less likely to become recidivist offenders.
- Youth workers especially need training in court support, youth advocacy, and being a responsible adult and diversion matters.

Family responsibility agreements

The effectiveness of this voluntary program is questionable when the program focuses on reducing a young person's involvement in the YJS by engaging with family members and siblings but not the young person after he or she has come to the attention of police or the YJS, This program is also only available in Darwin and Alice Springs.

Proposed solutions

Mapping of youth service provider's (YSP) program and service provision in the Northern Territory

This is to capture evidenced-based programs and services of best practice, across the Northern Territory and other jurisdictions. Additionally, it is to identify any duplication, gaps in programs and service provision, especially in regional and remote communities where resourcing of programs and services is difficult, to address the needs and barriers of young people in or about to be involved in the YJS and to identify YSPs that need more support to fulfil their obligations with respect to their funding agreements. (Please note YJAC is currently undertaking this process).

Justice reinvestment program models as a sustainable measure to reform youth justice service delivery especially in regional and remote communities.

Residential and non-residential bail support program

It is proposed that bail support programs can be used as alternatives to detention to address a young person's offending behaviours through a regionalised case management approach that targets young people who may be at risk of being homeless. This may include transitioning from residential rehabilitation programs and an alternative learning program, so that young people can transition to school, education and other training and employment opportunities with support and family involvement. (Please note these effective programs were funded in Tennant Creek in the past and program model and program description can be supplied upon request).

Restorative Justice

It involves monitoring the effectiveness of diversion programs with pre- and post-court referrals to diversion programs to address a young person's recidivist offending and includes re-establishing a Restorative Justice approach to youth justice offending.

Community-based programs

This will involve advocating for adequately resourced early intervention and prevention programs in regional and remote communities, within a case management framework, to circumvent offending related to volatile substance and other substance misuse while focusing on empowering elders and respected community members as 'champions' to ensure a young person's engagement in early intervention and prevention strategies. This should also extend to identifying and advocating for regional and community-based solutions to address truancy social disadvantages, mental health issues and disabilities for young people involved in the youth justice and child protection systems.

Experience of young People in the Barkly region

- Current issues relevant to young people are identified as follows:
 - Volatile Substance Abuse, petrol sniffing, alcohol and other drug (AOD), especially gunja, misuse and associated offending behaviours
 - Offending behaviours
 - Behaviours associated with low levels of literacy and numeracy, due to poor school attendance and lack of family support
 - Bullying and teasing
 - Young people staying at multiple residences without responsible adult supervision, especially to support them to attend school i.e. homelessness.
 - Young people walking the streets at night because they can't go home due to domestic violence and alcohol and other drug misuse by their responsible family members.
 - Young people involved in other YSP programs during school times e.g. EIYBC, diversion programs and YSP camps, hence disruption to their education.
 - Young people going to school but not engaging in class and absconding at recess to substance misuse.

Recommendations

1.	<p>There is an imperative need for a resourced short to medium term residential facility in Tennant Creek operated by culturally experienced and qualified personnel who can develop relationship and rapport with the young people, their family members and elders and respected community members . This requires a case management framework to address the young person's needs, issues and barriers to their school engagement and their relationship with family members, elders and respected community members using interventions and strategies. This is to ensure that their circumstances change when they and their family members, elders and respected community members are enabled for them to return home or a supported and facilitated referral is made to a boarding school or another residential program. This will assist young people transitioning from residential rehabilitation and offer residential bail support for young people with no residential bail alternatives and young people at risk of being homeless.</p>
2.	<p>The Papulu Apparr-kari Aboriginal Corporation, Parent and Community Engagement (PaCE) team is recommending and offering to young people, their family members and Barkly Region schools access to mediation, restorative conferencing and peer mentoring on a voluntary basis to address the bullying and teasing problems, as they have the experience and qualifications to address these issues.</p>
3.	<p>There is also an imperative need for an off campus Alternative Learning Program (ALP) interconnected to Tennant Creek High School and Primary Schools for young people who are seeking and needing extra support with their literacy and numeracy, behaviour management and family engagement and for young people that have been suspended, mainly due to behavioural management issues. This program will involve an innovative literacy and numeracy program, life skills and case management so the young people can transition back to their school with the literacy, numeracy and social skills necessary for them to apply and engage themselves at their school. This needs to be linked to the proposed residential program, providing extra support for young people to attend school and PaCE's engagement with family members, Elders and Respected Community members.</p>
4.	<p>Additionally, the funding of the After Hours Youth Centre (AHYC), to be operational five nights a week, after the successful pilot program in the December/January school holidays 2015/16 was secured in June, but Barkly Regional Council have been constrained, due to their own internal processes. This program is now operational since December 2016 and young people have access to this program and service after hours in a safe, secure, supervised environment and as an alternative to AOD, petrol sniffing and substance misuse and walking the streets at night. This program involves life skills training, workshops discussing the YJS, sport and recreational opportunities with healthy lifestyle messages, access to a qualified and experienced after-hours case manager, so young people and their family members have supported referral options to youth service providers in their area of expertise and supported and facilitated referrals to residential programs through the young person's identified needs, issues and barriers. Also, the AHYC bus provides transport for young people prior to and after the AHYC program.</p>
5.	<p>The AFL Barkly (under 15) Junior football training and Friday night games are partially fulfilling the void of the AHYC with training on Monday and Wednesday afternoon and Friday night football games. The young women's competition is due to commence in 2017. Unfortunately, both programs are inactive due to lack of participation by young people, and strategies for engagement will be reviewed in due course.</p>

6.	<p>Youth Service Provider's Network (YSPN) meeting was re-established this year, in addition to the fortnightly YSP inter-agency case management meetings and the fortnightly Youth Forum Steering Committee meeting. The Steering Committee consists of 10 Indigenous young people who plan the Youth Forum in February/March, 2017, are passionate about issues that affect young people and are involved in developing solutions and attracting additional young people as members.</p> <p>This is due to the PaCE team's intensive work with these young people's family members on a daily basis, to ensure they have active school engagement, ongoing communication with their school and collaboration with other youth service providers. When they participate in programs such as Early Intervention Youth Boot Camps and services, it is evident that they require additional family engagement and/or referrals to support their school attendance, for at least three weeks.</p>
7.	<p>The short to medium residential and family engagement program and the ALP programs were previously funded in the past by the Northern Territory Government and there are statistics, reports and case studies that evidence the success of these programs. These programs need to be adequately resourced again so young people become productive members of their community and engage in school instead of substance misuse, offending behaviours and incarceration. The additional YSP camp programs and services need to operate during school holiday periods.</p>



Justice reinvestment

The YJAC is committed to encourage the Minister to endorse and implement appropriate justice reinvestment initiatives within the Youth Justice framework.

It is the committee's view that justice reinvestment (JR) has the ability to transform the entire system by preventing offending, minimising the remand population and curbing recidivism through re-directing the state budget on incarceration into expenditure back in certain crime-prone neighbourhoods to fund community-based programs with the aim of overcoming the underlying causes of youth offending.

Building on two years of work, the Katherine Youth Justice Reinvestment (KYJR) has consulted with key stakeholders to ensure transformation is grounded in place-based evidence. The Northern Territory Law Society has provided a grant of \$65,550 to Australian Red Cross on behalf of the KYJR, enabling the release of an Expression of Interest to engage researchers with expertise in JR. A Service Agreement is currently being negotiated.

In 2017 the KYJR developed Terms of Reference including the aim "to influence Government to direct into justice re-investment at least 50% of savings delivered by a 10% reduction in youth prison numbers." Relationship building with the Minister and the newly formed Territory Families, as well as with National Youth Justice Reinvestment Networks, influential not-for profits and Justice Reinvestment expertise is supporting this emerging and peak group to be well informed and positioned to lead genuinely effective change benefiting the community and Territory broadly.

In 2017 KYJR members engaged with and supported the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory, leveraging a membership of 70 Community, Social, Education, Justice, Legal and Health Service Sector Members including Indigenous, Youth, and LGBTI members to encourage broad and representative community contribution. Throughout Youth Week and Law Week KYJR surveyed community, youth and families about their perceptions of safety and the justice response (survey outcomes are pending), and provided education and information about how YJR could contribute to a healthy and vibrant community.

KYJR has also supported and contributed to the University of NSW's Comparative Youth Penalty Project which shares state and territory YJR progress building a cohesive National Voice, and the NTCOSS Making Justice Work initiative bringing together stakeholders to engage with and provide feedback on their evidence based approach to 'law and order' in the community.

KYJR Stakeholders continue to include members with influence, skills, expertise and ability to commit to a long-term project. These members are Traditional Elders and Youth, organisations such as NAAJA, NT Legal Aide Commission, Red Cross, Anglicare, Relationships Australia, Wurli Wurlinjang Health Services, Banatjahl Strong Women's Group, Charles Darwin University the Stolen Generation, YMCA and the NT Youth Justice Advisory Committee, and Local, State and Federal Government Departments such as NT Police, Education, Prime Minister and Cabinet and Health. A YJAC member facilitated communication with the KYJR group.

Moving toward the close of 2017 the KYJR looks forward to commencing research in the Katherine Region and supporting Youth to amplify their voice in co-designing a stronger future for the community.

YJAC annual report contributions

Electronic monitoring

Electronic monitoring in relation to court orders

YJAC last reported that electronic monitoring has been introduced in the financial year 2015-2016 as an option for courts to monitor and supervise youths on bail.

Statistics provided to us by Community Corrections indicate that there were 55 young people who were connected to an electronic monitoring device between 1 September 2016 and 23 July 2017. Of these 55 young people, the overwhelming majority had electronic monitoring imposed by courts as part of their bail conditions. Only a small number of young people continued to have electronic monitoring imposed on them as part of their sentencing orders (three on good behaviour bonds, two on suspended detention orders and two on alternative detention orders).

Although there is no consistent data as to how often or where electronic monitoring is imposed by court across different regions in the Northern Territory, it is our understanding that electronic monitoring can be utilised in all urban and major regional centres, including Katherine. In the more remote parts of the Northern Territory, the availability and suitability for electronic monitoring will be assessed on a case-by-case basis, at the request of the court.

It should be noted that electronic monitoring has been used as a tool to monitor other conditions of bail, such as curfew or a requirement to stay away from certain places. While it may be difficult to measure its effectiveness at this early stage, the committee identifies that there is a potential advantage in using electronic monitoring as a less intrusive means to conduct surveillance when compared to other means such as routine police checks at the residence during early hours of the morning.

If the *Youth Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2017* is passed in parliament later this year, we anticipate Territory Families will take over the supervision of youths in relation to any court imposed bail and court orders in the next financial year. It is the intention of the sub-committee to continue to collect data and identify any issues with regards to electronic monitoring.

Electronic monitoring in relation to police bail

On the other hand, this financial year also saw the introduction of the Bail Amendment Act 2017 which effectively gives police members additional power to require an accused person to wear an electronic monitoring device as part of their bail conditions. The Bill was passed and became operational as of late March 2017.

Whilst it was not the intention of this legislative amendment to apply exclusively to youths, this has potential implications for youths because they can be subject to more onerous police bail conditions as a result of the implementation of this new legislation. To our understanding, no young person has been issued with police monitoring bail before the end of the financial year. We will continue to liaise with Police to collect data to assess the utility and enhance the effectiveness of this bail option in the next financial year.



YJAC Issues Register for the YJAC annual report 2016/17

Background

In 2015/16 the YJAC reinstated the YJS Issues Register for mainly NGOs working in the YJS at the 'grass roots' level, the Central Australian Youth Justice Committee (CAYJ), the Top End Youth Justice Coalition and community members to have the ability to voice their issues, needs and concerns in the YJS for YJAC to discuss, address and propose solutions and advise the Minister if required.

In 2016/17, the issues raised and proposed solutions should only complement Territory Families' youth detention and child protection reforms and the involvement of 'grass roots' NGO case managers and workers, especially from regional and remote communities, to have access to YJAC members and input through the reestablishment of the YJAC YJS Issues Register.

Furthermore, CAYJ, NTCOSS and the Top End Youth Justice Coalition, have the ability to voice their issues, needs and concerns in the YJS for YJAC to discuss, address and propose solutions to advise the Minister, through the YJS Issues Register format.

Issues raised in the 2016/17 reporting period

- YP (young people) with mental health issues, disabilities and facing social disadvantage, also involved in the YJ CP (child protection) and systems.
- Tennant Creek and Barkly YP remanded in detention because of no suitable residential bail alternatives. They are away from Elders, Respected Community Members, family members, country and current and ongoing YSP case management involvement and support, from their home community, whilst in detention.
- A young man from the Barkly region was remanded in custody for a week due to offending in Alice Springs. He is a first time offender. He was issued with a GPS electronic monitoring device. He breached his bail because he did not return home, and was remanded at Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre for another week and returned to Tennant Creek with his grandmother and the electronic monitoring device was refitted. Police were adamant that the device be refitted, when negotiations were ongoing with NTCS and PaCE for the timing of refitting, due, to family member involvement and PaCE support.
- Don Dale Youth Detention Centre visit 15/04/2017 involving lack of security, scrutiny of visiting party, visiting room conditions and conditions for detainees in high security, detainee's being assigned a case worker and the case worker engaging proactively with the young person through risk and needs assessments.
- Lack of consistency in sentencing, the Judge berating, belittling a young man and a family member, when his and her full circumstances were not divulged in court and further traumatising them both.
- A twelve year old male having a bail condition to undertake urinalysis for petrol and other AOD substance misuse, whilst in a VSA residential program.
- Young women from Central Australia being held in police holding cells for multiple nights due to the lack of segregated arrangements at the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre. This is inappropriate given their proximity to adults (including men and intoxicated adults) and the fact that this goes against Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody recommendations, and UN Conventions on Rights of the Child.
- Young women from Central Australia being sentenced to Don Dale due to the lack of segregated arrangements at the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre.
- Lack of meaningful, high level consultation with Aboriginal organisations by the Minister regarding Youth Justice Reforms.
- Cases where young women who have been picked up by police for breach of bail (for non violent crimes) are being handcuffed, which organisations feel is unnecessary and heavy handed.
- Feedback on what process was used to select YJAC members and whether YJAC can give updates to Making Justice Work and Central Australian Youth Justice (and other networks and coalitions) on its work.

The YJAC Issues Register allows community members, NGOs, YSPs and YJ committees and forum members to raise their YJ issues and concerns with YJAC members, so they can be addressed in an YJAC committee meeting or then raised with the Minister.

YJAC members visit to Don Dale Youth Detention Centre (DDYDC)

Purpose of visit

The purpose of this visit to the DDYDC on 20 June 2017, undertaken under s204 of the Act, was to inspect the completed 'Make it Safe' refurbishment up-grades at the centre, and to learn about programs and services aiming to rehabilitate youth detainees and address their offending behaviours.

The visit served as an induction for new YJAC members to the physical environment of the youth detention centre and gave all members an opportunity to consider how the Australian Juvenile Justice Administrators' Youth Justice Standards and Guidelines are being practically implemented within the centre.

Overview of Visit

The superintendent took the YJAC members on a tour of the DDYDC, including "H Block" and "M Block" (the new sport and recreation block).

YJAC Members' positive observations of DDYDC

Territory Families leadership, including DDYDC superintendent, leading the DDYDC refurbishment, appear to have addressed practical support measures to change the immediate physical environment, for example :

- Removal of bars on windows and use of Perspex;
- Refurbished/freshly painted cells;
- Landscaping undertaken to make the centre appear more pleasing;
- Development of the sport and recreation space in M Block has created opportunities for young people to participate in a range of programs e.g. tech studies, creative use of the art space, and sport and recreation opportunities, such as the cinema and basketball court;
- The mural and other art work in M Block is impressive;
- Tivendale School is functioning and operational ;
- YJAC members observed an YJO actively engaging and obviously having a rapport and relationship with "young fellas";
- Continuation of the "Elders Visiting Program".



YJAC Members' concerns about DDYDC

- Although the capacity of the HSU is 16, it was observed that there were 19 young people accommodated during the visit and a number of 10-17 year olds were cohabiting. As well as the issue of crowding, there was a concern about younger people being exposed to others with longer experience of the youth justice system;
- The impact of staff working entitlements on the routines of young people e.g. young people must return to their cells during morning tea and afternoon tea time so that staff can have breaks; and young people spending 12 hours in their cells (from the end of YJO shift at approximately 5-6pm, to early the next morning);
- Vacancies in case management and psychologist positions;
- How the cultural safety of young people when away from country and access to family members is addressed;
- Ongoing detainee complaints about food /meals being unsatisfactory (it was noted that the failure of the commercial kitchen in the centre to meet operating standards may be a contributing factor);
- Some areas of the centre still look like a jail, for example, the activity space. Members suggested that on their next visit they would like time to also visit the Visits Centre, the High Security Unit (HSU) and the school.

Conclusion

YJAC members want to acknowledge the recent, significant and welcome change arising from the Youth Justice portfolio now sitting with Territory Families. We understand that reforms and change will take time to implement, especially in the context of waiting for the release of the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory Recommendations.

It should be noted however, YJAC members still have concerns arising from our visit to DDYDC, as mentioned above. These may be resolved in part by YJAC receiving regular reports from Northern Territory Government agencies about topics including:

- staff education and training programs;
- case management programs and services;
- programs and services available in detention centres to stop, reduce and address offending behaviours;
- programs that address the cultural safety and support of young people, while away from their own 'country'; and
- the operation of the Elders Visiting Program and the Official Visitors Program.



Register of Appropriate Support Persons

The Register of Appropriate Support Persons provides the Northern Territory Police with access to support persons who can be present and assist unaccompanied young people when they are required to attend interviews and engage with police in relation to possible criminal matters

The appropriate support person acts as an independent observer for the young person, by providing appropriate support and non-legal guidance. In the Northern Territory the Register of Appropriate Support Persons is operated by the Australian Red Cross.

The success of the Register of Appropriate Support Persons is in the recruitment, training and availability of appropriate people who are committed to volunteering their time. The Australian Red Cross partners with key stakeholders, particularly the NT Police and NT Department of Territory Families and legal organisations such as North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency and Central Australian Aboriginal Legal Aid Service to ensure that the volunteers are appropriately trained and able to fulfil their functions.

Maintaining the Register of Appropriate Support Persons is a key function of the Youth Justice Advisory Committee.

Data received by the committee showed that over 2016-17 there were 39 volunteers who collectively provided 144.5 hours of support to 136 young people across 171 call-outs.

Volunteers on the Register of Appropriate Support Persons - 2016/17					
		Darwin	Katherine	Alice Springs	Total
Persons on register		19	7	13	39
Gender	Male	3	2	4	9
	Female	19	5	7	30
ATSI indicator	ATSI	-	4	-	4
	Non- ATSI	-	3	-	3
	Unknown	19	-	13	32
Volunteer hours contributed (approx.)		104.25	2.25	38	144.5

Volunteers on the Register of Appropriate Support Persons - 2016/17				
	Darwin	Katherine	Alice Springs	Total
No. of Individuals supported	75	2	59	136
Total number of call outs	106	2	63	171

Clients using the Register of Appropriate Support Persons - 2016/17

We note that there has been a significant decrease in the hours of support and the number of call outs, compared to the statistics for the year 2015-2016. It is the Committee's intention to continue to work with Red Cross and other stakeholders with the view to improve the program and identify any systemic issues or barriers to young people being supported by the program.

Sentenced Youth Boot Camp Program

On the 16 November 2016, YJAC members inspected the Loves Creek Outstation. This was to get a briefing on the Sentenced Youth Boot Program (SYBC), obtain an overview of the current BushMob program at Loves Creek and to consider the long term potential of the BushMob program versus the early intervention boot camp program.

YJAC members were impressed by structured program model that involved the skill development of the young people, that not only included work ready skills, but gaining life skills through a case management framework and the potential of work opportunities with BushMob in the future. This is similar to the 'sentenced to a job' program, where young men can gain skills and be proactive whilst on the program through their involvement in training, skill development and employment routines and structures.

Additionally, BushMob engaging local people as role models in a culturally responsive program as Cultural safety is an imperative.

However, YJAC members have a concern that bail or an approved program as an alternative to detention needs to incorporate an effective through care case management approach. This is to develop realistic, facilitated and supported, through care and post release case management plans, in consultation with Territory Families, Youth Justice (YJ), NT Correctional Services (NTCS), BushMob caseworkers, Elders, family members, respected community members, youth service providers, the young person's Community and the young person himself or herself.

This has significant impact upon young person's return to their home community, so that they can utilise their education, training, skills and their life skills with routines and structures gained from their residential program experience, through a facilitated and supported, through care and post release case management plan and engagement with a case manager/ worker, post release. This will also enable them to adhere to their NTCS supervised orders and/or become productive members of their community, with ongoing case management support.

BushMob is offering a further opportunity with casual employment so the young fellas have an opportunity to be gainfully employed with skills and training they have gained through the BushMob program as an alternative to returning to their community.

This is also to strengthen the young person and their family member's involvement in a case management approach, so they are actively engaged in education and training or gainfully employed, through facilitated support with a case worker, to ensure they are occupied and to reduce their recidivist offending behaviours.



Youth Justice Data

To assist the Committee to perform its function we would like to seek a quantitative and qualitative performance report from Territory Families as part of a standing agenda item for YJAC meetings. This performance report need not be extensive but should provide the committee with the details of the current business within the Youth Justice system and recent improvements, risks and changes. A list of possible data points that might be considered includes:

Information	Remarks	Source	Yes or No
Bail			
most frequently imposed police bail conditions?		Police	
the most frequently imposed court bail conditions?		Justice	
Average number of bail conditions imposed per youth?		Police	
No. of breach of bail charges laid per youth on average?	Until matters finalized in court?	Police	
Most frequently breached bail condition?		Police	
Percentage/ number of youths supervised on bail?		Corrections	
Percentage/ number of youths having electronic monitoring as part of bail?		Corrections	
Average length of time (days) youths are on bail?		Justice	
Diversion			
Recidivism rate?		Police	
Percentage of cases accepted/ refused for diversion?		Police	
most frequently imposed components of diversion?		Police	
Average no of victim-offender conferencing per youth on diversion?		Police	
Average community service hours per youth on diversion?		Police	
No of community work projects available for youths on diversion? Distribution?		Police	
Most common reasons for refusing diversion?		Police	
Sentencing			
No of pre-sentence conferences (s64) referred/ held per year?		Community Justice Centre/ Justice	
Most frequently imposed sentencing option?		Justice	
Percentage/ No. of youths on supervised order with Corrections?		Corrections	
No. of youths on alternative detention order/ periodic detention order?		Corrections	
Frequency of pre-sentence reports ordered?		Corrections	
Most frequently imposed conditions of suspended detention order?		Corrections	
Average/ total amount of fines/ victim levies imposed on youth		Justice	
No. of restitution orders made? Amount?		Justice	
Percentage/ No. of conditional breach of suspended sentence?		Corrections	
Average duration of suspended sentence?		Corrections/ Justice	
Total amount of Community work ordered? Total amount of completed community work hours?		Corrections	
Average hours of community work order per youth?		Corrections	
No. of community work projects available? Distribution?		Corrections	

Information	Remarks	Source	Yes or No
No. of youths dealt with by Supreme Court every year?		Justice	
No. of youths subject to orders by Supreme Court?		Justice/ Corrections?	
No. of youths subject to non-parole period?		Corrections?	
Percentage of youths granted parole?		Corrections?	
Percentage of youths breach parole?		Corrections?	
No of sentencing review applications made to court?		Justice?	
No of charges/ files on average per youth?		Justice	
Children in Protection			
No of children in care involved in criminal justice system?		Territory Families	
Average age of children in care involved in criminal justice system?		Territory Families	
Percentage of children in care in detention?		Corrections/ Territory Families	
No. of s51 reports ordered?		Territory Families	
Most frequently laid charges for cross-over youths?		Police/ Territory Families	
Average/ total amount of fines/ victim levies imposed on youths in care?		Territory Families	
Detention			
Average no. of days on remand per youth before sentence?	Gender percentage	Corrections	
Average no. of days/ month of detention served by youths as part of their sentence before release?		Corrections/ Justice	
No of detainees on average per day: Don Dale/ ASP	Gender/ indigenous status	Corrections	
No of detainees transferred in financial year?		Corrections	
Average no of days of school attended by youths?		Corrections	
No of youths accessed SEEDS program/ training?		Justice	
Sentenced Youth Boot Camp			
No of referrals made?		Corrections	
No of youths accepted?		Corrections/ Bushmob	
Percentage/ no. of youths successfully completed program?		Corrections/ Bushmob	



Mapping of youth programs, services or activities in Tennant Creek and the Barkly Region

Name of organisation	Brief description and type of youth program, service and activity offered e.g. education, case management, training, employment, training, arts workshop & sport & rec	Times offered in Tennant Creek	Days and dates offered in Barkly communities	Contacts
Catholic Care	Youth Diversion and outreach programs with diversionary activities in a case management framework, PHaMs, counselling, IFSS, housing support and NDIS.	Daily	In all Barkly Communities on a cyclical basis.	
Lifestyle Solutions	Residential care support and youth engagement support programs for young people with a disability	Daily	Tennant Creek	
ADSCA	ADSCA VSA assessment, brief intervention, and harm minimisation strategies. Case management and referral to VSA residential treatment programs for youth across the Barkly. AOD youth services by negotiation with AOD RN (ADSCA does not have a dedicated youth AOD worker)	Daily	Daily VSA services across the Barkly region. AOD services by negotiation.	VSA CNC – Gail Tyler Ph. 89624386 AOD RN – Ruth Preuss Ph. 89624519
MIFANT	Group case management and an afterhours youth centre engagement with a case manager	Daily and after hours?	Tennant Creek Only	
AHAC Sport and Rec, Intensive Family Support Service (IFSS) and counselling services with Stronger Families	After school program (ASP), school holiday program (SHP) and sporting programs and events after hours for young people and young people and adults. Referrals from Territory Families to IFSS and Stronger Families accept referrals for the counselling services.	ASP Daily, SHP weekdays during SH and after hours for youth sports competitions and events IFSS and counselling services weekdays	Tennant Creek Only	
BRC Sport and Rec	Sport and Rec programs in Barkly communities, as an alternative to AOD and VSA issues, activities at the pool in Tennant Creek and the opening of the AHYC with an afterhours case manager in Tennant Creek, Alekerange Music program and Elliott.		Daily in the Barkly Communities of Alekerange and Elliott.	
NT Department of Health	Access to a child and youth mental health practitioner and child and youth psychologist by referral.	Daily in Tennant Creek and access to child and youth psychologist on a cyclical basis	In the Barkly Communities of Alekerange, Epenarra and Elliott, on a cyclical basis.	
NT Police	Youth Diversion programs as an alternative to court to address offending behaviours and young people engagement and support in schools using a deescalating and mediation response.	Daily in Tennant Creek	In all Barkly Communities on a cyclical basis.	

Name of organisation	Brief description and type of youth program, service and activity offered e.g. education, case management, training, employment, training, arts workshop & sport & rec	Times offered in Tennant Creek	Days and dates offered in Barkly communities	Contacts
Papulu Apparr Kari Aboriginal Corporation	RSAS with SAO involvement to enhance school attendance, the PaCE program to engage with parents and community youth service providers to address the needs, issues and barriers to school attendance and engagement, aspiring youth community events that encourage leadership and skill development by Indigenous young people and the Youth Forum Steering Committee, with the goal being to enhance school attendance and application and the empowerment of mainly Indigenous youth leaders.	Daily in Tennant Creek during school terms.	Daily in the Barkly Communities of Alekerange, Epenarra, Canteen Creek and Elliott, during school terms.	
AFLNT	Under 17 football engagement programs and games in the following age groups: Under 15's, Under 12's and Under 8's, linked to school attendance for young men and women.	Afternoons and Saturdays in Tennant Creek February to September.	Tennant Creek Alekerange and Elliott, on a cyclical basis.	
NT Department of Education	Student support services with a educational psychologist , school counsellors, disability advisor and a early intervention childhood advisor	Daily in Tennant Creek, dependant on travel.	In all Barkly Communities on a cyclical basis.	
Barkly Regional				
Arts				
	'Arts School In Residence' program- professional arts training for young people. Camp Harmony- arts workshops for young people	Scheduled timetable. 3:30-5:30pm Monday July 31st 2017-Sunday August 6th 2017	Tennant Creek	Kathy Burns 0401620380 artisticdirector@barklyarts.com.au Tash Evans May2912@LIVE.COM.AU
CAYLUS	VSA agency offering support to rehab casework, support to noncourt diversionary youth programs.		Southern Barkly Communities	Blair McFarland 0448526493
Barkly SARC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SARC provides the following services: Counselling for children, young people and adults who have been sexually assaulted at any time in their life Support through the legal process Information, support and counselling for non-offending parents, family members and partners Protective behaviours education for children and their primary care givers Education and intervention on problem sexual behaviours in children Healthy relationships education to young people Sexual assault education and information for community or professional groups Sexual violence primary prevention initiatives with other Government agencies. 	Daily 8am to 4:20pm	Tennant Creek Barkly Region Outreach as needed	Ph. 08 8962 4361

Mapping of youth programs, services or activities in Katherine

Name of org.	Name of service	Type of service	Target group	Contact numbers
Allied Psychological Services (ATAPS)	Child Mental Health Services (CMHS)	Health & Wellbeing	5-12	Referrals via GP
Anglicare NT	Intensive Youth Support Service	Youth Services	Youth	(08) 89636100
Anglicare NT	Youth Accommodation Support Service	Accommodation	Youth	(08) 89636100
Australian Red Cross	Register of Appropriate Support Persons (RASP)	Health & Wellbeing	Youth	(08) 89711246
Callistemon House	Boarding Hostel (remote students)	Accommodation	Youth	(08) 89723212
CatholicCare NT	School Counselling - St Joseph's Catholic College	Health & Wellbeing	Youth	(08) 89710777
Clontarf Foundation	Educational and Wellbeing Support - Katherine High			
School (Boys)	Youth Services	Youth	0447 277 958	
Fordimail Student Hostel	Boarding Hostel (remote students)	Accommodation	Youth	(08) 89711404
Good Beginnings, part of Save the Children	Play2Learn/Baby Group/Playgroup	Family Support	0-4	(08) 89711311
Good Beginnings, part of Save the Children	Playgroup (Rockhole And Binjuri only)	Family Support	0-4	
Indigenous Hip Hop Projects	Dance, Music, Film, Art and Culture	Arts & Culture	Youth	(03) 93876241
ITEC Health	ITEC Health Safe Pathways Youth Accommodation	Accommodation	Youth	0433888057
ITEC Health	ITEC Health Safe Pathways Youth Baby House	Accommodation	Youth	0488413033
Kalano Community Association Inc.	Na-Wulg Wulg Child Care Centre	Education & Training	0-4	(08) 89710944
Katherine Isolated Childrens Service (KICS)	Playgroups	Family Support	0-4	(08) 89710196
Mission Australia	Little Geckos (Creche)	Education & Training	0-4	(08) 89717180
NT Police (Katherine)	Youth Diversion Unit	Legal	Youth	(08) 89858344
Relationships Australia NT	DRUMBEAT	Family Support	5-12	(08) 89710348
Somerville Community Services Inc.	Youth Support	Youth Services	Youth	(08) 89725100
Stars Foundation	Educational and Wellbeing Support - Katherine High			

Name of org.	Name of service	Type of service	Target group	Contact numbers
School (Girls)	Youth Services	Youth	(08) 89738200	
TEAM Health	Child and Family Wellbeing Service	Health & Wellbeing	Youth	(08) 89439600
YMCA	Community Development	Youth Services	5-12	(08) 89722592
YMCA	Drop in Nights	Youth Services	Youth	(08) 89722592
YMCA	Youth Diversion	Legal	Youth	(08) 89722592
YMCA	Youth in Communities	Youth Services	Youth	(08) 89722592
YMCA	Alternative Education program	Education & Training	Youth	(08) 89722592
YMCA	Outreach	Youth Services	Youth	(08) 89722592
YouthWorx NT	YouthWorx Katherine ConneXions	Youth Services	5-12	(08) 89712405

Katherine local network/reference groups				
Youth Interagency Tasking and Coordination Group (YITCG)	Network	Youth Services	Youth	0475110842
Community Helping Action Information Network (CHAIN)	Network		Service Providers	(08) 89722795
Domestic Violence Local Reference Group	Reference Group	Health & Wellbeing	Service Providers	(08) 89738818
Child Aware Local Initiative (CALI)	Reference Group		Service Providers	(08) 89721364
Katherine Accommodation Action Group (KAAG)	Network	Accommodation	Service Providers	(08) 89854389
Katherine Stolen Generation Group				



Mapping of youth programs, services or activities in Alice Springs

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Alice Springs Women's Shelter	Alice Springs Women's Shelter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short term crisis accommodation; for women experiencing domestic violence (30 beds) • Transition houses; medium term accommodation for women and children who have experienced domestic violence (2 houses) • Domestic violence case management, counselling and advocacy • Training and community development • Emergency relief; travel support, emergency food and clothing • Outreach support to women and families in domestic violence relationships 	Women and families experiencing domestic violence	Website: www.asws.org.au Phone: 08 8952 2337
Ampe Akweke Place	Alice Springs Youth Accommodation & Support Services (ASYASS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support accommodation for up to 3 months • Intensive parenting education and support • Health and life skills programs • Outreach support is available for up to 12 months • 4 beds + 1 crisis bed capacity 	Pregnant women 14 – 23 years of age	Website: www.asyass.org.au Phone: 08 8953 4200
ASYASS Youth Housing Program	Alice Springs Youth Accommodation & Support Services (ASYASS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Semi-independent accommodation for up to 12 months • Opportunity for young people to acquire positive rental references, learn to live with others and work towards independent living • Living skills (including budgeting, drug and alcohol education, tenant's rights) • 8 properties across Alice Springs 	16-21 years old who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless	Website: www.asyass.org.au Phone: 08 8953 4200
ASYASS Refuge Crisis Accommodation	Alice Springs Youth Accommodation & Support Services (ASYASS)	Crisis accommodation Accommodation can be from one night up to three months 7 beds capacity	15-17 years old who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless	Website: www.asyass.org.au Phone: 08 8953 4200
General Residential Care Services	Anglicare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium to long term accommodation and support for youth who are unable to be placed in immediate foster or kinship care placements • Stabilisation, assessment and transition unit who are unable to be placed immediately in foster care or kinship placements • Caters up to 11 children/young people and is operated from two properties (Forrest House and Leslie House) • Support is provided for up to 3 months • Each person is assisted to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-engage with the education system • Address health issues • Develop social, behavioural and independent living skills • Improve personal resources needed to interact in positive ways 	12-17 years old	Website: www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000

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Emergency Relief	Alice Springs Youth Accommodation & Support Services (ASYASS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aid which includes food, transport or chemist vouchers, material assistance (blankets, clothing, etc.) assistance with obtaining forms of identification, rent and bond assistance, part payment of utility accounts Appropriate referrals to other services to address underlying cause of the financial crisis 	Young people in financial distress	Website: www.asyass.org.au Phone: 08 8953 4200
Family Group Home Program	Anglicare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Longer term placements aimed to increase stability, continuity and a sense of belonging An environment where children and/or young people have the opportunity to build and maintain relationships with other children, young people and adults Opportunities to develop interests, skills and self-esteem through participation in activities 	5-12 years old	Website: www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000
Intensive Youth Support Service	Anglicare NT	intensive case management for young people at high risk of entering into the child protection system	Young people	Website: www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000
Moving On	Anglicare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Targeted case management Assistance with maintaining their independence after leaving care Assistance with information and referrals, accommodation advice, brokerage assistance (financial and material), access to services, support for Education, Training and Employment matters, advocacy and connections 	17-24 year olds who have left the care of the CEO and Department of Children and Families	Website: www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000
Reconnect - Youth Homelessness Program	Gap Youth and Community Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preventative early intervention program for young people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness Program seeks to improve relationships where the youth is becoming disconnected from their families, school or work and where there is a risk of their leaving home prematurely without family support 	12 – 18 year olds	Website: www.facebook.com/GapYouthCentre Phone: 08 8952 3927
Reconnect Youth Support Program:	Waltja	Support for young people at risk of becoming homeless, ensures their safety and re-engage with their family and their community	12 – 18 year olds	Website: www.waltja.org.au Phone: 08 8953 4488
Safe Families	Tangentyere Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family Support and Outreach as a culturally informed intervention for children and families at risk of family breakdown to enhance skills of families to stay together Children's Safe House; provides short term accommodation and care for six young people aged between 7-14 years Families Safe House; provides a safe environment in Alice Springs for families escaping family violence, caters for a minimum of 6 families per year who have been made homeless through family violence, works with families to assist them in staying together in safe, stable and independent accommodation 	7-14 year olds and families	Website: www.tangentyere.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4243

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Transitional Housing Program:	Anglicare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A variety of accommodation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bill Braitting: Singles, couples, homeless or at risk who are under 18 years old (17 one bed units) ○ Bloomfield Units: Singles, couples or families with children who are under 18 years old (26 two bed units) • Outcare: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Accommodation and support for males leaving prison (6 bed capacity) 	Singles, couples, homeless	Website: www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000
Youth and Disability Supported Accommodation	Life Without Barriers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 hour supported accommodation for young people • Therapeutic care to engage and educate foster children struggling with their situation 	Young people	Website: www.lwb.org.au
Youth Services	Anglicare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency housing and case-management services 	Young people up to 19 years old	Website: www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000
Cultural and Recreational Activities				
Alice Springs Youth and Community Centre	Alice Springs Youth and Community Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A range of recreational activities, fitness and sports for children and young people, including a range of martial arts, boxing, circus, gymnastics and roller derby 	Young people	Website: www.asyouthcentre.com.au Phone: 08 8952 1649
Communities for Children (C4C)	Anglicare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funds for organisations to develop and facilitate a whole of community approach building on community strengths and the existing infrastructure of organisations, networks and resources, making use of strong evidence of what works in early intervention. • The opportunity to develop flexible and innovative approaches for their circumstances • Works with a range of community stakeholders to strengthen universal and targeted services that support positive outcomes for children and their families 	Young people	Website: http://www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000
Drum Atweme	Tangentyere Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly lessons in music skills during school terms, includes public performances and the making and maintaining of the instruments used • Development of personal and social skills, • Mentoring and support to be role models of other young people • There are 30 core performers with another 100 students participating in drumming lessons each week 	6-18 year olds from town camps with regular attendance at school	Website: www.tangentyere.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4243
Ewyenper Atwatye (Hidden Valley) Community Centre	Tangentyere Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programs and activities including art, health, nutrition, music, sport and recreation for young people • Runs school holiday programs • Provides case management and support for youth and adults 	Young people	Website: www.tangentyere.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4243

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Karnte Community Centre	Tangentyere Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides programs and activities including art, health, nutrition, music, sport and recreation for young people Runs school holiday programs Provides case management and support for youth and adults 	Young people	Website: www.tangentyere.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4243
Gap Youth and Community Centre - Sport & Recreation Activities	Gap Youth and Community Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A range of activities including basketball, pool, table tennis, and a drop-in centre with internet café facilities for young people 	10 – 25 year olds	Website: www.facebook.com/GapYouthCentre Phone: 08 8952 3927
Red Sand Culture	Incite Youth Arts	Youth focused music and dance mentoring programs	Young people	Website: www.inciteya.org.au Phone: 08 8953 6448
Right Tracks Program	Central Australian Football Club, Redtails Football Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunities through AFL Football CAFC (Redtails) to attract, engage and support Indigenous males to build confidence and self-esteem Focus on literacy and numeracy, overall health and wellbeing (including mental health, alcohol and tobacco education), work experience, job mentoring and pathways to potential employers or higher learning or apprenticeships, challenge projects, life skills training, leadership development, Incorporates mentors and leadership development to impact on the wider communities 	18 – 25 year olds males	Website: www.redtailsfc.com.au
stArts with D'	Incite Youth Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performing arts program that supports people with disability to build skills, create, collaborate and show self-devised performance art 	Young people with a disability	Website: www.inciteya.org.au Phone: 08 8953 6448
Southern Ngalia	Incite Youth Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitation of ceremonial song and dance experiences for young indigenous women 	Young indigenous women	Website: www.inciteya.org.au Phone: 08 8953 6448
SPRUNG Youth Dance	Incite Youth Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A contemporary dance program that allows young local dancers to explore, develop, create and communicate through dance experiences 	Young people	Website: www.inciteya.org.au Phone: 08 8953 6448
Yarrenyty Arltere (Larapinta Valley) Community Centre	Tangentyere Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programs and activities including art, health, nutrition, music, sport and recreation for young people Runs school holiday programs Provides case management and support for youth and adults 	Young people	Website: www.tangentyere.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4243
Youth Activity Services	Young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage the involvement of young people as leaders in their communities as well as in the wider community across the 18 communities Structured recreational, cultural, circus, musical, social and sporting activities Associated support for transport, uniforms, healthy food, equipment and personal encouragement A bridging program for young people that highlights strengths, abilities, skills, enjoyment, positive relationships and successful outcomes to enter mainstream sporting teams and activities 	Young people	Website: www.tangentyere.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4243

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Youth Program	Ngaanyatarra Pitjantjatjara Yakunytjatjara Women's Council (NPYWC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enjoyable and safe recreational activities for young people who are at risk to divert them from substance misuse, other harmful and anti-social behaviour • Casework and support for young people in crisis • Leadership development, training and education • Advocacy and collaboration to build networks to support and improve the lives of young people 	10 – 24 year olds	Website: www.npywc.org.au Phone: 08 8958 2345
Vacation Care	Gap Youth and Community Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various holiday programs and events to assist parents by providing recreational activities 	10 – 25 year olds	Website: www.facebook.com/GapYouthCentre Phone: 08 8952 3927
Educational, Employment and Life Skills Support:				
Batchelor College	Batchelor College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wide range of university and VET accredited courses that are delivered in a culturally appropriate way; from Indigenous knowledge and languages, public policy and creative writing to education and health 	Young indigenous people	Website: www.batchelor.edu.au Phone: 08 8951 8300
Bindi	Lifestyle Solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A range of support services, including community options and supported employment • Day program with a range of activities including cooking, painting and woodwork 	Young people with physical, intellectual or psychiatric disabilities	Website: www.lifestylesolutions.org.au Phone: 08 8952 7277
Breakfast with a Mentor	The Smith Family through Centralian Middle School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young people with a nutritional breakfast before studying • Parents or guardians involvement with their child's education • Introductions for mentors for the young people to build self-esteem and aspire to build a better future 	Primary and secondary students	Website: www.thesmithfamily.com.au Phone: 08 8950 2548
CREATE Foundation	CREATE Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy for children and young people who are in out-of-home care or in a care experience • Training for young people, connection activities and holds youth advisory group meetings, as well as consultancy to the care sector and training for care-sector staff 	10 – 25 year olds	Website: www.create.org.au Phone: 08 8953 8358
Desert People's Centre	Desert People's Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunities of employment, enterprise and further education • Opportunities to strengthen community capacity, governance and well-being • Promotion of Aboriginal ideas and views to improve participation and influence the region • Development of relevant connections and networks that foster collaboration between people and organisations 	Young people	Website: desertpeoplescentre.org.au Phone: 08 8959 6100

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Drum Beat	Holyoake Alice Springs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An innovative program for young people that teaches about relationships, team building and communication through drumming Used in both school and correctional facilities to engage those refusing mainstream education programs 	Young people	Website: www.holyoake.org.au Phone: 08 8952 5899
Education Support	The Smith Family through Centralian Middle School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A range of support services, including numeracy and literacy programs and scholarships for primary and secondary students 	Primary and secondary students	Website: www.thesmithfamily.com.au Phone: 08 8950 2548
Group Training NT (GTNT)	GTNT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment for apprentices and trainees both fulltime and school based in a variety of qualifications 	Young people	Website: www.gtnt.com.au Phone: 08 8955 6900
Institute for Aboriginal Development (IAD)	Institute for Aboriginal Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education and training in a variety of courses with culturally appropriate support Education and training courses in literacy, numeracy, vocational and higher education, Aboriginal culture and language studies and Aboriginal cultural enterprise studies 	Young, indigenous people	Website: www.iad.edu.au Phone: 08 8951 1311
Indigenous Youth Career Pathways (IYCP)	Mission Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School-based traineeships to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Year 11 & 12 (in some cases, Year 10) A program that aims to inspire and support Indigenous students to complete their school and make an effective transition to further education or a job through aspirational activities and events Personal mentoring and case management to help them manage difficult issues to make the move from school to work easier 	15 - 18 year olds	Website: www.missionaustralia.com.au Phone: 08 8955 6500
Love Bites	National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School-based domestic and family violence and sexual assault prevention program Awareness and provides a safe environment for young people to be educated and to talk about Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual Assault Promotion and models respectful relationships for young people, aims to deconstruct stereotypes, myths and attitudes in relation to domestic and family violence 	14 - 16 year olds	Website: www.napcan.org.au Phone: 08 8942 2254
Personal Helpers & Mentors (PHaMs)	Mission Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunities for recovery in young people who have functional limitations as a result of mental illness Home-based outreach support service that assists people with gaining access to appropriate and timely support services, development of personal capacity and self-reliance and increased community participation 	Young people	Website: sd.missionaustralia.com.au/1/NT Phone: 08 8955 6500
School-Based Program	Holyoake Alice Springs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up-to-date information for secondary-school students about the misuse of alcohol and other drugs 	10 - 18 year olds	Website: www.holyoake.org.au Phone: 08 8952 5899
Support Services	Alice Springs Youth Accommodation & Support Services (ASYASS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support services for young people, includes general support, referral and advocacy for income, legal, housing and employment problems 	15-21 years old	Website: www.asyass.org.au Phone: 08 8953 4200

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Stay Strong Women's Group	Gap Youth and Community Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An opportunity for young Indigenous women to focus on issues of concern Opportunities for young Indigenous women to gain employment, education and life skills 	16 year olds up	Website: www.facebook.com/GapYouthCentre Phone: 08 8952 3927
Tenancy Sustainability Program (TSP)	Mission Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case management and life skills training to public housing tenants and applicants as well as residents of Community Living Areas who require assistance to manage and sustain their tenancies 	Young people 16 years old and upward	Website: sd.missionaustralia.com.au Phone: 08 8955 6500
Youth Connections	Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for young people to participate in education and employment and to improve their health and wellbeing 	Young people	Website: www.stepsgroup.com.au Phone: 08 8950 7600
YouthWorx NT	YouthWorxNT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collaborative work between young people, schools and business to create strong partnerships and equity through supporting career development opportunities for all Territorians 	Young people	Website: www.youthworxnt.com.au Phone: 08 8981 8870
Health Education and Promotion				
Adolescent Program	Holyoake Alice Springs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A program that looks at issues relating to their misuse of alcohol and/or other drugs 	12 – 25 year olds	Website: www.holyoake.org.au Phone: 08 8952 5899
Alcohol and Other Drugs: Kids in Focus	CatholicCare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intensive support services to children Individual and group counselling, community education and practical strategies for coping and developing healthy relationship skills Support for parents and carers for dealing with their children's substance misuse 	Young people	Website: www.catholicarent.org.au Phone: 08 8958 2400
Alukura	Congress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Culturally appropriate antenatal, postnatal and women's health care through a Maternity Service and Women's Health Clinic 	Young women	Website: www.caac.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4400
BushMob	BushMob	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth residential rehabilitation and therapy services, counseling, family support programs and outreach support for those with alcohol, volatile substance abuse or other drug issues, may take on other young people on a case by case evaluation Bush Adventure Therapy – young people are taken out on bush camps for various physical, cultural and outdoor activities including bush-walking, tracking, horse riding A BushMob Media Unit Education, training and work support, bus service for St Joseph's Flexible Learning Centre, run various courses as educational extras Capacity for 20 beds 	12-25 year olds	Website: www.bushmob.com.au Phone: 08 8953 3798
Catholic Care NT Counselling Service	Catholic Care NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counselling for young people 	Young people	Website: www.catholicarent.org.au Phone: 08 8958 2400

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Central Australia Youth Link Up Services (CAYLUS)	Tangentyere Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitates access to rehabilitation services for substance misuse Advice and action for the responsible retail of solvents programs and policing initiatives Community-based recreation, health and youth programs Educational videos, music, radio and internet projects in local language 	Young people	Website: caylus.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4236
Central Australian Aboriginal Congress (CAAC)	Central Australian Aboriginal Congress (CAAC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A wide range of comprehensive primary health care services including: Medical Clinic Community Health Programs (Immunisations, nutrition and diabetes clinic, bush Alice Springs hospital, specialist clinics) 	12 – 25 year olds	Website: www.caac.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4444
Children and Adolescent Support Program	Holyoake Alice Springs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for children and adolescents living in families where there is alcohol and/or other drug misuse 	5 - 18 year olds	Website: www.holyoake.org.au Phone: 08 8952 5899
Clinic 34	Department of Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Free and confidential sexual health advice 	12 – 25 year olds	Website: www.das.org.au Phone: 08 8953 1422
Disability Advocacy Service	Disability Advocacy Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advocacy for young people with disabilities to ensure they obtain and enjoy their rights, encourages participation and involvement of all within the community 	Young people and families	Website: www.das.org.au Phone: 08 8953 1422
Fred Hollows Foundation	Fred Hollows Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eye health care to young people to avoid preventable eye diseases 	Young people	Website: www.hollows.org.au Phone: 08 8953 6448
Headspace	National Youth Mental Health Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical services, health advice, support and information, including general health, mental health and counselling, education, employment and other services, alcohol and other drug services. Helps schools prepare in the event that they are required to respond to a suicide related crisis, resources and training are provided in order to enable school staff to identify students at risk 	For: 12 – 25 year olds	Website: www.headspace.org.au Phone: 08 8958 4544
Indigenous Marathon Project	Council for Aboriginal Alcohol Program Services (CAAPS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotion of healthy lifestyles Training camps, domestic fun runs throughout Alice Springs and the surrounding community Opportunities to participate in national and international events based on their commitment to training, health promotion, and the positive effect they are having in their community 	Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander young people, 18 – 30 year olds	Website: themarathonproject.com.au Phone: 02 6162 4750
Intensive Youth Support Service (IYSS)	Anglicare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responsive, flexible service that provides intensive support services for vulnerable, high risk young people Opportunities to develop self-sustaining self-esteem, resilience and reduce the risk of re-entering the child protection system Referrals are made by the Department of Children and Families Support is for a period of six months with additional support for up to 12 months 	Vulnerable, high risk, 10 – 17 year old young people	Website: www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000

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Interrentye Bush Products (Social Enterprise)	Akeyulerre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of social enterprise to support employment and incorporate knowledge into employment opportunities and put them back into the community 	Young indigenous people	Website: www.akeyulerre.org.au Phone: 08 8952 2337
Lifeline Community Education and Face-to-Face Counselling	Lifeline Central Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community education and outreach about suicide prevention, awareness and assistance for all communities across the Northern Territory 	Young people	Website: www.lifeline.org.au Phone: 08 8953 1250
Lifeline Telephone Crisis Support	Lifeline Central Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 hour telephone crisis support 	12 – 25 year olds	Website: www.lifeline.org.au Phone: 08 8953 1250
Lifestyle Solutions	Lifestyle Solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A range of support services for children and young people who are unable to live with their own family Camps and education programs designed to improve outcomes for young people with unique support needs 	Young people with a disability	Website: www.lifestylesolutions.org.au Phone: 08 8958 4646
Livewire	Starlight Children's Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A free, safe and fun online community for young people living with a disability, serious illness or chronic health condition and their families 	10 – 21 year olds	Website: www.starlight.org.au Phone: 08 8953 1250
Relationships Australia NT - Counselling	Relationships Australia NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counselling for children and families 	5 – 12 year olds and their families	Website: www.nt.relationships.org.au Phone: 08 8950 4100
Specialised Family Violence Service (SFVS)	Catholic Care NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support to those who have experienced or witnessed domestic violence, including children Counselling and behaviour change groups 	Young people and families	Website: www.catholicarent.org.au Phone: 08 8958 2400
StandBy Response Service:	Support Link	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for those who have experienced losing someone through suicide 	Young people and families	Website: www.supportlink.com.au
Support After Suicide Group	Lifeline Central Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for those who have experienced losing someone through suicide 	Young people and families	Website: www.lifeline.org.au Phone: 08 8953 1250
Targeted Family Support Service	Congress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety, stability, for the well-being of vulnerable children through active engagement, case management, counselling and in-home support 	Young people (0-18 years old) and families	Website: www.caac.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4400
YMCA	YMCA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health and fitness education to promote a positive healthy lifestyle Teen Gym for 12 – 16 year olds to help to develop young people to grow in confidence and self esteem Born to Move for 13-16 year olds teaches martial arts, hip hop, sports conditioning, dance and yoga classes Rockwall Climbing for 5 years and older, to build strength, fitness, endurance, balance, flexibility and confidence 	5-25 year olds	Website: centralaustralia.ymca.org.au Phone: 08 8952 5666
Young Women's Healthy Living Program	Red Dust Role Models	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gender specific health promotion through sport, art, music and dance resulting in interactive and inclusive activities 	12 – 25 year olds	Website: www.caac.org.au Phone: 08 8951 4400

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Legal Support				
Children's Contact Services	Catholic Care NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe and less conflicted environment that enables parents to maintain relationships with their children after separation • Includes changeovers and supervised visits for the wellbeing of the child 	Young people and families	Website: www.catholicarent.org.au Phone: 08 8958 2400
Family Dispute Resolution (FDR)	Relationships Australia NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child-focused and child-inclusive mediation, child consultation during disputes 	Children and families	Website: www.nt.relationships.org.au Phone: 08 8950 4100
Legal Assistance	Central Australia Aboriginal Family Legal Unit (CAAFLU)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A justice, advisory and referral centre for indigenous victims of family or domestic violence • Legal advice, casework, counselling, support, child-protection services and information are provided for indigenous male and female children and young people who are victims of family violence and sexual abuse 	Young people and families	Website: www.caaflu.com.au Phone: 08 8953 6355
Post Release Support Service	Mission Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistance to people who have been released from prison to access support services and secure accommodation, training and employment, case-management style of support, • Advocacy and referrals for housing, life skills, education, training, employment, healthy family relationships, drug and alcohol misuse and social inclusion 	Young people	Website: sd.missionaustralia.com.au Phone: 08 8955 6500
Victims of Crime	Anglicare NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constructive, safe, confidential, restorative counselling to support people after a traumatic crime 	Young people and families	Website: www.anglicare-nt.org.au Phone: 08 8951 8000
Youth Diversion Program	Relationships Australia NT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An alternative to formal court processes for o 	Young people up to 17 years old	Website: www.nt.relationships.org.au/ Phone: 08 8950 4100



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Youth Justice Advocacy Program	Central Australia Aboriginal Legal Aid Service (CAALAS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct court support to young people and their families, includes transport to clients to attend court or access legal advice • Assistance to young people and families to fully understand legal correspondence and court orders, including assisting with Aboriginal Interpreters services to young people as needed • Advocacy for young offenders are dealt with in a culturally appropriate manner, including encouraging the involvement of immediate and extended family in decision making processes • Coordination of visits to detention centres; support to young people in detention; encouragement and assistance with the development of detainees' exit plans prior to release • Monitor the performance of all parties involved in administering the Act (NT), and monitoring stakeholders' compliance with domestic and international standards in juvenile justice • Development with all key stakeholders, through the Central Australian Youth Justice Committee (CAYJ), for a shared view and strategies on how best to improve the youth justice system in Alice Springs. 	Young people and families	Website: www.caalas.com.au Phone: 08 8950 9300
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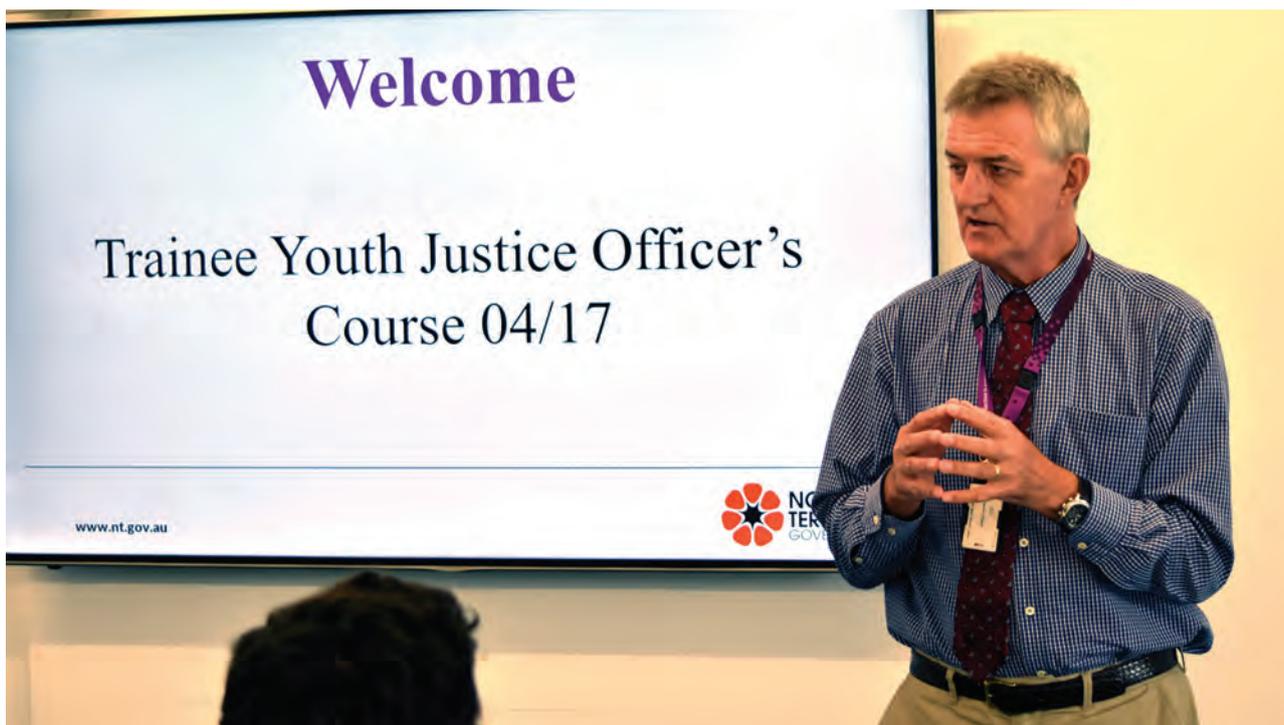
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Department of Education	

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Truancy Officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alice Springs, Urban - 2 Truancy officers • Central Australia, Remote - 4 Truancy officers • Manager and Administration support officer
Student Support	<p>Provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A range of support services, specialised equipment, resources and professional development activities for school staff to help children with disabilities and learning needs • Counsellors and psychologist to students on an as needs basis • -The Positive Learning Centre (PLC) program designed for students who have extreme, challenging behaviour and at any given point in time, require intervention and support beyond what is available within their school. The PLC provides a safe, supportive and individualised education environment and combined with high expectations assists students in developing skills in resilience, emotional wellbeing and academic learning • Management for the Transition from School program which assists the transition of students with disabilities from mainstream and special education settings into further education, employment and adult life. The transition process can begin from Year 8. Support available through the school-based special education teacher includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual transition planning meetings to explore pathways to adult life • Connecting families, students and schools with available services within the community • Organisation and liaison with local employers for students to have work experiences; and • Assistance to students and families through the transition process by providing information and support
Court Liaison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Department provides resources to facilitate communication and sharing of accurate information between the department, schools and the court to improve education outcomes for young people engage with juvenile justice
Acacia Hill School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caters for students from 3 – 20 years old with a range of disabilities including intellectual, physical, sensory and students with multiple disabilities • Provides overall educational programs and opportunities to be involved in activities outside of school and participation in appropriate work placements
Centralian Middle School (CMS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of education to years 7-9 • During the summer 2013, 2012, 2011, CMS ran a free holiday program for youth 11-15 years old with different activities and workshops in a safe environment • Centralian Girls Academy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Years 7-9 girls ○ Focuses on mentoring, sport, outside activities, workplace training, leadership and teamwork opportunities by providing personal support, work placement, work readiness, sports, extra-curricular activities, leadership, teamwork and vision ○ -Provide a rewarding educational experience which helps girls to achieve their educational, sporting, personal and career goals • Mparntwe Academy (Clontarf) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Year 7-9 males ○ Promotes positive life skills and improves self-esteem, provides mentors and positive experiences to understand the positives of education and empowers youth to make better life decisions ○ Youth must attend school regularly, apply themselves to study and embrace the Academy's requirements for behaviour and self-discipline ○ The program includes AFL (training and games), camps and trips; participation in community events, access to Academy 'clubhouse,' regular after school activities, access to support for school success and Clontarf time in their timetable • "Polly" Farmer – "Alice Springs Partnership for Success" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aims to improve educational outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students (Years 8-12), must have a minimum 80% attendance and show academic potential and enthusiasm at school ○ Provides intensive mentoring and tutoring outside of school, Cultural Awareness Training, Camps and Industry Visits

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Centralian Senior College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alice Springs Football Academy (Clontarf) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Years 10-12 Males focus on Indigenous students ○ Promotes positive life skills and improves self-esteem, provides 2 mentors and positive experiences to improve attendance and retention ○ The program includes AFL (training and games), camps and trips, participation in community events, access to support for school success. • Alice Outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alternative education program, which offers opportunities for young people 13-19 years old who have been disengaged from mainstream schooling for over 3 months ○ Young Carers is open to anyone with a young child to care for who cannot access any other mainstream program ○ Two different streams of study that are flexible and allow the carer to bring the children they are responsible for to school with them • Centralian Girls Academy Years 10-12 girls Focuses on mentoring, sport, outside activities, workplace training, leadership and teamwork opportunities by providing personal support, work placement, work readiness, sports and extra-curricular activities, leadership, teamwork and vision Provide a rewarding educational experience which will help achieve their educational, sporting, personal and career goals
Owen Springs Education Facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of on-site education to students at the Owen Springs Juvenile Detention Centre
Charles Darwin University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocational Education Training (VET) • Various courses, trades and certificates for education and training
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duke of Edinburgh's Award <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Structured personal development program which engages and connects young people with each other, adult mentors and the wider community • Immersions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Opportunities for students to immerse themselves into communities and experience different cultures, perspectives and the way people live and to stand in solidarity with the communities. This includes helping at orphanages, schools, community centres, health clinics, vocational training centres and youth centres and experiencing family life, ○ East Timor: Year 11, Santa Teresa: Year 11, Cambodia: Year 12 • Reach Programme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Helping students with learning disabilities to develop literacy, numeracy and life skills through practical activities ○ Focus on work experience opportunities and developing the necessary life skills ○ Provides individual tutoring and social and emotional support for students with disabilities • Remar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leadership development program that focuses on faith development, personal and leadership skills development, community experience, social justice awareness and action ○ Incorporates local and national camps, immersion opportunities, community service and regular meetings to develop skills and awareness and form community
St Philip's College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duke of Edinburgh's Award <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Structured personal development program which engages and connects young people with each other, adult mentors and the wider community • Round Square <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Personal development and responsibility through service, challenge, adventure and international understanding ○ Provides opportunities to travel as exchange students, participate in international projects, attend national and international conferences
St Joseph's Flexible Learning Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education programs are individualised for each young person by assessment of need and delivery with a supportive environment to re-engage the young person with learning and encourage a sense of community

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Yirara College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pathways to Work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Students over 15 years old, given the opportunity to learn through 'hands on' activities and to teach skill sets that prepare them for employment, they make, cost, and sell their work ○ Opportunity to participate in on-campus work placements (kitchen or laundry) to introduce the students to work in a familiar environment • Shrine Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Helps build girls' self-esteem and for them to develop and understand their value
Muso Magic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muso Magic delivers music-based programs to young people living in remote Indigenous communities. The programs connect remote communities and identify pathways for young people and link education, health and wellbeing to proven employment opportunities.
Department of Health:	
Children's Development Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides therapy services to children and young people 0-18 years old • Includes paediatric physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology, family support
NT Police	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide 24 hour response to reported incidents involving youth, proactive policing activity to manage youth, youth diversion curfews, response to youth at risk, conveying youth to a safe place when found at night on the streets
School Based Officers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drug and Personal Safety Awareness Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Keeping ourselves and others safe, role of police, rights, rules and responsibilities, drugs and alcohol, consequences of actions, legal system, and community development. • Maintain a safe learning environment, improving school attendance of young people <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Co-ordination of after-hours service for children and young people between Youth Night Patrol, Police, Youth Drop In Centre, ASYASS, Safe Families, Reconnect and Family & Children Services in Alice Springs ○ Think You Know Cyber Safety and Awareness programme for students from Year 6 to Year 12 ○ Teaching children and parents how to use the Internet safely and securely
Youth Diversion Unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-court diversion for youth aged 10-18 years old, utilising restorative justice principles, assessment of youth involvements in criminal matters, referring youth to appropriate agencies
Youth Justice:	
Family Responsibility Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotes the safety and wellbeing of young people • Helps families deal with young people's behaviour and social problems, (e.g. school attendance issues, antisocial or criminal activities) • Offers advice and supports parents to provide appropriate parenting by entering a Family Responsibility Agreement or Order • Incorporates the Departments of Health, Education, Police, Housing and Children and Families • Departments share information about young people and families they are concerned about, co-ordinate services, and can make referrals
Alice Springs Town Council:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Alice Springs Town Council works in conjunction with the NT Government and NGOs to operate youth activities throughout the school holiday periods • The Alice Springs Town Council funds a grant program available for youth projects annually
Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Run many activities aimed at Youth in conjunction with NT Government
Alice Springs Skate Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council holds events at the park about twice a year and generally includes pro skaters from interstate who run workshops and skills sessions
Alice Springs Public Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides Programs for Youth including school holiday activities and workshops, summer reading program, Youth Week events, Children's Book Week events, Author visits, movie nights, as well as providing resources for young people (including computers, Wii, PlayStation - 12-17 years old)

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Patrols:	
CBD Security Patrols	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One patrol car • 9pm – 4am nightly (Hours are flexible if required)
Youth, Day and Night Patrol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided by: Tangentyere Council • For: School aged children and youth • Provides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One 14 seater minibus to take children and youth home by an appropriate time so they are prepared for school the next day ○ Operates Tuesday to Saturday, Tuesday 3.30pm – 12 am, Wednesday – Saturday 6pm – 2.30am (not available Sunday and Monday) ○ Assistance to people at risk of alcohol related harm or interaction with the criminal justice system to get to a safe and appropriate place ○ Benefits include children returning home at an appropriate time, reducing violence, assisting in the prevention of child abuse, increasing community perceptions of safety, minimising the harm of substance misuse, and reducing the costs incurred by other services, such as incarceration and health care • Contact: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Website: www.tangentyere.org.au/ ○ Phone: 08 8951 4243
After Hours Youth Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided by: Central Australia Aboriginal Congress (Congress) & the Alice Springs Town Council (ASTC) • For: School aged children and youth • Provides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Two minibus's to take children and youth home ○ A scaled approach is operational developed for the days of operation for the patrol including three, five and seven day options. The seven day operation will occur during the peak summer and Easter periods, with a three and five day a week operation in force during the remainder of the year. Benefits include children returning to a safe environment at an appropriate time, reducing violence, provision of additional youth services including case management options, increasing community perceptions of safety, minimising the harm of substance misuse, and reducing the costs incurred by other services, such as incarceration and health care • Contact: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Website: www.alicesprings.nt.gov.au ○ Phone: 08 8950 0500



Acronyms and abbreviations

ADSCA	Alcohol and Other Drugs Service Central Australia
AFLNT	Australian Football League Northern Territory
AHYC	After Hours Youth Centre
ALP	Alternative Learning Program
AOD	Alcohol and Other Drugs
ASP	Alice Springs
ASYASS	Alice Springs Youth Accommodation and Support Services
ASYDC	Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre
ATAPS	Access to Allied Psychological Services (Australian Government)
CAALAS	Central Australian Aboriginal Legal Aid Service
CAYJ	Central Australian Youth Justice (coalition/network)
CAYLUS	Central Australian Youth Link Up Service
CBD	Central business district (of a town)
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
Committee	Youth Justice Advisory Committee (unless otherwise specified)
CP	Child Protection (system/staff)
DCS	Department of Correctional Services
DDYDC	Don Dale Youth Detention Centre
DWN	Darwin
EIYBC	Early Intervention Youth 'Boot Camp'
EVP	Elders Visiting Program
GPS	Global Positioning System
HSU	High Security Unit (in Don Dale Youth Detention Centre)
JR	Justice Reinvestment
KATH	Katherine
KYJR	Katherine Region Justice Reinvestment (network/working group)
LGBTI	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Inter-sex
MIFANT	Mental Illness Fellowship of Australia - Northern Territory
Minister	Minister for Territory Families (unless otherwise specified)
MJW	Making Justice Work (coalition/network)
NAAJA	North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency
NGO	Non-Government Organisation
NSW	New South Wales
NT	Northern Territory
NTCOSS	Northern Territory Council of Social Service
NTDCS	Northern Territory Department of Correctional Services
NTG	Northern Territory Government

OVP	Official Visitors Program
PaCE	Parent and Community Education (program)
RASP	Responsible Adult Support Program
RCADIC	Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody (1987–1991)
SARC	Sexual Assault Referral Centre
SBYC	Sentenced Youth 'Boot Camp'
TC	Tennant Creek
TEYJC	Top End Youth Justice Coalition
TF	Territory Families (department)
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The Act	Youth Justice Act (Northern Territory)(unless otherwise specified)
UN	United Nations
VSA	Volatile Substance Abuse
YDU	Youth Diversion Unit
YJ	Youth Justice
YJAC	Youth Justice Advisory Committee
YJO	Youth Justice Officer (employed in youth detention centres)
YJS	Youth Justice System
YMCA	Young Men's Christian Association
YOREO	Youth Outreach and Re-Engagement Officer (employed by Territory Families)
YORET	Youth Outreach and Re-Engagement Team/s (part of Territory Families)
YP	Young people/person
YSP	Youth Service Providers
YSPN	Youth Service Providers Network (Barkly region)

