

CASE STUDY:

Multicultural Youth Program



The program provides CALD youth with skills, tools and confidence to access employment and education and to become leaders

AT A GLANCE



Target Participants
Youths from refugee and multicultural background



Aim to provide youth with opportunities to access education and leadership programs as well as employment pathways



Organisations Involved
Sydney Multicultural Community Services



Location
Daceyville, NSW



Funding
The Department of Social Services

SYDNEY MCS MULTICULTURAL YOUTH PROGRAM

is a settlement support program that assists eligible youths from refugee and multicultural backgrounds needing necessary support and guidance to effectively settle and do well in the mainstream Australian society. The youth worker provides one to one case work and runs group events to facilitate the collective need of the targeted clients to settle smoothly in Australia.

The program achieves the targeted aims via liaising and connecting the youths to and working with the local schools, TAFES and facilitating employment pathways via running information sessions and providing practical leadership skills

Successful outcomes:

Since its inception early this year in January the settlement youth worker of the program has successfully facilitated a six day Multicultural Youth Leadership Program in April in partnership with Matt Thistlethwaite, local Federal Member of Parliament. The Youth Worker has successfully completed a 4 day Multicultural Youth Employment Program during the school holidays in July.

Participant feedback:

Fardin, a keen participant of the Youth Employment Program said, *'I really enjoyed being in the Youth Employment Program. I believe it really holds the brief image of the hardship faced for the newly moved migrants. The program boosts the confidence of youth of today to shine later'*.

"I learned a lot of communication skills, being more co-operative in doing a team work. And I believe this could help me in life. These skills can have an impact on my social skills'.

Participant of the youth program

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