**YOUTH
MENTORING
CAREER
PATHWAYS**
PROGRAM

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Would you like to develop your skills, experience and confidence to find the right job or career path?

The Youth Mentoring Career Pathways (YMCP) program offers three opportunities to kick start your career:

- Mentor Program
- Work Placements
- Skill Building Workshops

You can choose one or all 3 and you will receive guidance and support throughout the journey.

MENTOR PROGRAM

Young people are carefully matched with a volunteer Mentor from a professional background. Mentors provide individual support and guidance with career pathway planning for up to nine months.

Mentors can assist with:

- Resume writing
- Looking for jobs
- Preparing for interviews
- Goal setting
- Practicing English
- Education and Career pathways
- Expanding your networks

Our latest survey of young participants identified 89% had "made a lot of progress and achieved set goals".

"I enjoyed discussing different methods that can help me to achieve my dream career in future."

"I enjoyed being able to meet various goals and having shared interests in many things."

"Knowing that they were very supportive and I was able to talk about any work situation."

WORK PLACEMENT

Would you like to gain hands on experience in a local workplace?

Work placements provide 'on the job' experiences to help build your skills, expand your knowledge and to grow your confidence.

- Work placements are one day per week for 10 weeks
- Participants will be covered for travel and lunch expenses ($20 per day)
- Large variety of industry placement opportunities to choose from to develop core employability skills and special interests
- Examples of placements include: Libraries, Police stations, community centres, government departments, newspaper, media content developers, community organisations.

WHAT NEW SKILLS COULD I LEARN?

- Administration
- Customer Service
- Community engagement
- Communication
- Time-management
- Project management
- Networking
- Office work experience

Our latest survey of work placement participants identified 100% **"have improved confidence to find work"**. One graduate stated that they had gained **"communication skills, knowledge, confidence, responsibility, consistency, and resourcefulness"**.

"I gained communication skills, knowledge, confidence, responsibility, consistency, resourcefulness"

SKILL BUILDING WORKSHOPS

Workshops are a great way to expand your knowledge, connect with other young people and mentors to learn new skills that support you personally and professionally.

We run workshops **online** and **in person** and cover a range of topics including:

- Job readiness and preparing for work
- Career and life coaching to reach your goals
- Discovering your passion and purpose
- Self-care for wellbeing and building resilience

WHO CAN JOIN?

To join the YMCP program you must:

- Be 16–24 years old
- Be connected to the Moonee Valley or Maribyrnong (live, study, socialize etc.)
- Be currently unemployed or under-employed

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