

Recognition for an outstanding contribution

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The Youth Involvement Council from South Hedland has been selected as a finalist in the WA Youth Awards for their support young people in Hedland.

The Council is recognised as being the primary and most successful organisation for the provision of holistic support for young people in Hedland. Although the Council targets young people at risk, and 95-98 per cent of clients identify as Aboriginal, the Council is available to all young people in Hedland.

The Council's vision is to empower young people in Hedland to create positive life pathways and become contributing members within a safe community. It delivers seven programs, including *Birds and Bees*, developed for 10-15 year olds who are coping with a range of teenage issues and *Mingle Mob*, a street patrol operating from 6pm-10pm to reduce anti-social and criminal behaviour.

The Council is committed to providing young people with a voice, building their pride and instilling a sense of belonging.

The Youth Leadership Roundtable - the 'youth voice' of the Youth Partnership Project is also a finalist. The group is chaired by a young Aboriginal woman, Jenna Woods.

Other Aboriginal finalists include:

- **Jay McLean**, Caversham
- **Shannika Martino**, Morley
- **Danikka Calyon**, Armadale
- **Preston Colbung**, Mount Nasura

Read a media statement from the Minister for Youth for more information.



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