

# Vibrant Youth

YOUTH ACTION PLAN

2021-24





### YOUTH ACTION PLAN IMPACT REPORT

To develop the Youth Action Plan 2021-2024, the Town of Victoria Park worked with YACWA to conduct research into the priorities of young people in our community.

We found that the top priorities were:

- 1. Mental health
- 2.Employment
- 3. Poverty & hardship
- 4. Technology & online media
- 5. Youth activism & advocacy
- 6. Opportunities to co-design



To address these priorities, the Town established a **Vic Park Young Leaders (VPYL)** program to ensure that the perspectives of young people were considered in all initiatives that concern them. We created a Plan around **four focus areas:** 

FOCUS AREA 2021 - 2024 HIGHLIGHTS				
Civic participation	The VPYL group were consulted on Town initiatives that concerned them (Priority 5). The group was involved in the codesign of several Town events and programs (Priority 6). The Youth Donation Program supported young people to participate in sport, academic and leadership opportunities (Priority 3).  A former VPYL member was employed by the Town (Priority 2).			
Communication	A dedicated Youth webpage and Youth Events Calendar were created for the Town's website. The VPYL launched a youth-focused Instagram account: Vic Park Vibe. A dedicated Youth eNewsletter was established (Priority 4).			
Places & spaces	The Town delivered a wide range of free or low-cost activities for young people in locations including parks, community spaces, the library and local businesses (Priority 3).			
Mental health & wellbeing	The Town has collaborated with a variety of organisations that specialise in youth mental health to deliver programs that support and promote wellbeing (Priority 1).			

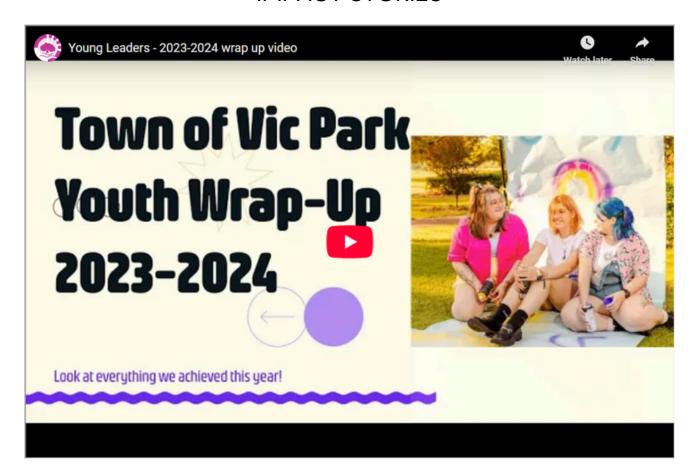
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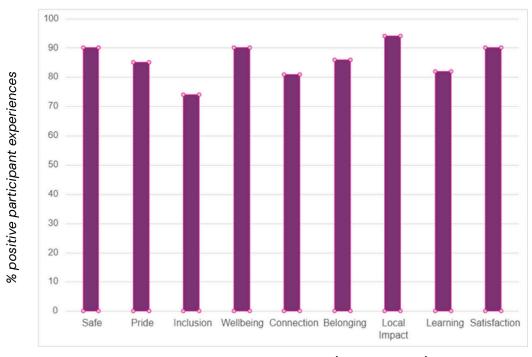




#### **IMPACT STORIES**



#### **OVERALL SOCIAL IMPACT OUTCOMES**



Youth Programming 2021-2024 (137 responses)

"So nice to see a group of strangers come together and immediately start connecting over shared lived experience. I think this just proves how important these types of workshops are for young people in the community" "Absolutely love that things like this are happening in our area!! Can't wait to go to some more!" "Being part of community building, learning and creative arts as someone in their early twenties isn't always an option as many workshops are for <18s or adults and the environment is different." "What a great workshop!!! More of this please:) Super engaging and interactive!"

## **COMMUNITY SCORECARD 2023 RESULTS**

Pillar	Overall Performance Index Score	Age 18 – 34	Industry average
Youth services & facilities	51 (72% positive rating)	50 (Age 14 -34)	48
Quality of life	Now: 7.5 Future: 8.0	Now: 7.3 Future: 8.3	7.1

## PERSONAL WELLBEING 2023 RESULTS

Pillar	Score (%) for Age 18 - 34	Town average (%)
Standard of living	80	81
Personal relationships	79	79
Achieving in life	77	76
Health	75	75
Safety	78	69
Future security	67	68
Feeling part of the community	56	63