

Youth Employment, Engagement, Transitions Space in Victoria

Please see a list of programs that are state and federally funded, and operate in the youth space. Not all of them are currently available, and not all are available in all parts of the state. The list is not exhaustive, but gives a good overview of programs, excluding those that are local Government or organisational initiatives.



State Funded Programs				
Education and Engagement			Provider and Contact Details	Contract Duration
LLEN Contract	http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/pathways/Pages/lleens.aspx?Redirect=1	Each LLEN creates strategic, sustainable partnerships that improve education and transition outcomes for young people, including increasing Year 12 or equivalent attainment rates. LLENs use their knowledge of the region to influence strategic planning and broker partnerships among key stakeholders to support young people to remain engaged, or re-engage, in education or training. LLEN's work with schools to develop and implement programs within schools to support retention, attainment and pathways that lead to successful transitions. LLEN's also work with community organisations to develop & deliver place based initiatives to support at risk young people re-engage in education, training and employment.	Capital City LLEN (City LLEN) 03 9600 3638 info@ccllen.org.au www.ccllen.org.au Online School Leavers Guide: www.zoomin.org.au	Current – until Dec 2019
Structured Workplace Learning	http://www.workplacements.education.vic.gov.au/lleens/capitalcityllen/	The SWL program is delivered across Victoria by the LLEN Network. Each LLEN is responsible for developing a range of work placement opportunities for vulnerable young people, undertaking their senior secondary certificate. The program will be supported by a state wide portal, which will list placement opportunities.	Capital City LLEN 03 9600 3638 info@ccllen.org.au	Current - until Dec 2016. Expected to be re-funded for another 4 years.
Springboard		An intensive support service for young people transitioning from residential out-of-home care who are not engaged in education, training or employment has been established in Victoria. The Springboard program assists young people aged 16 to 21 on Victorian Custody or Guardianship orders who are in residential out-of-home care, or who have recently left care. Springboard is provided by	Inner Melbourne Vet Cluster (IMVC)	Current - until Dec 2018

		community-based organisations that have specialist skills supporting young people with education, training and/or employment.		
Navigator Pilot Program	http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/educationstate/Pages/navigator.aspx	<p>Navigator will be a hands-on, proactive service aimed at the most vulnerable students. Providers will be responsible for improving outcomes for young people, linking them to support services and interventions, and supporting them to re-engage with education and training. Navigator will target students demonstrating a range of issues impacting their capacity to remain at school or who have already disengaged using a case management and outreach model. Providers will also work with schools to implement strategies to support retention of at risk students.</p> <p>THIS PROGRAM REPLACES THE PREVIOUS YOUTH CONNECTIONS PROGRAM</p>	<p>Anglicare</p> <p>Sandra Inserra Navigator Team Leader Western Region p: (03) 9731 2500 m: 0409166065 w: anglicarevic.org.au</p> <p>Working Days: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday</p>	Mid-June 2015 – until Dec 2017
School Focused Youth Services	http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/health/Pages/sfys.aspx	Through School Focused Youth Services (SFYS), schools and community organisations work together to provide support to vulnerable and at-risk young people aged 10-18 years who are attending school to remain (or become) positively engaged in their education. SFYS will work closely with LLEN's and other intervention providers to coordinate projects and identify suitable solutions.	<p>High school – Melbourne City Mission, Darren Grainger DGranger@mcm.org.au or phone: 0438-848-029.</p> <p>Primary school – Mackillop Family Services Shelly So, Brona Walshe Mobile: 0407 776 784 Email: Shelley.So@mackillop.org.au</p>	Current – until Dec 2017
Look Out Centres	http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/educationstate/Pages/lookout.aspx	LookOut Education Centres will provide support for young people residing in out of home care (previously referred to as ‘foster care’) to help maximise their education attainment and retention. They are being established at the regional level and by 2017 there will be a Look Out Centre in the following DET regions: North Western Victoria Region,	LOOKOUT Education Support Centre South Western Victoria Region, Department of Education and Training	To be established by 2017

		North Eastern Victoria Region, South Western Victoria Region and the South Eastern Victoria Region. Look Out centres will partner with schools, families, carers, students and vulnerable out of home care young people to ensure their well-being and get the best for them in terms of their education.	Principal: Ian Wren Contact us: lookout.swv@edumail.vic.gov.au http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/LOOKOUT_postcard.pdf	
Reconnect/REAL		Reconnect provides support to young people 15-24 to sustain their engagement with learning and work. Box Hill Institute is funded to support 160 young people across Melbourne, Whitehorse and Yarra Ranges through the Reconnect program.	The Centre for Adult Education + Box Hill Institute Meg Yates 03 9286 9682 Reconnect@boxhill.edu.au	State funded
Skills and Jobs Centres	http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/news/archive/Pages/skillsjobs.aspx	Located on TAFE facilities, centres will provide the community with free careers counselling and information about the best courses for them to achieve their career and vocational goals. The RMIT Skills and Jobs Centre will also provide a range of programs to prepare people for a return to study and can provide a dedicated course and careers advisor to support anyone not in secondary school.	RMIT Jobs and Skills Centre Walk in's welcome, contact Kate Vanson on 9925 2613. Building 51, 80 Victoria Street, Carlton	State funded

JVEN – Jobs Victoria Employment network	http://economicdevelopment.vic.gov.au/jobs-victoria/im-looking-for-work/jobs-victoria-employment-network-jven-providers	<p>The Jobs Victoria Employment Network (JVEN) comprises services throughout Melbourne and regional Victoria. JVEN is a key initiative of the newly established Jobs Victoria, which will consolidate all Victorian employment services into one system and to expand employment assistance to disadvantaged jobseekers. A key feature will be engagement with employers to identify vacancies and support jobseekers into those roles.</p>	<p>P: 1800 773 338 E: contactus@peopleplusaustralia.com.au</p>	<p>State Funded</p>
<p>Back to Work Initiatives (B2W) Includes a range of employer incentives as well as job creation and pathway programs, see blow.</p>				
Empowering YOUth Initiative	http://www.employment.gov.au/youth	<p>Empowering YOUth Initiatives will support new, innovative approaches from not-for-profit and non-government organisations to help young people who are identified to be long-term unemployed or who are at risk of long-term unemployment overcome their barriers and move into work and sustain employment.</p>	<p>20Squared Simon Scrase 0417 071 424 spscrase@gmail.com www.workforceplus.com.au</p> <p>Youth BACE - Western BACE Renee Habib 03 8560 1820 info@westernbace.com www.westernbace.com</p>	<p>Federal funded</p>
Transitions to Work	http://www.employment.gov.au/youth	<p>The Transition to Work service will provide intensive, pre-employment support to improve the work-readiness of young people and help them into work (including apprenticeships and traineeships) or education. The service will have a strong focus on helping young people to understand what is expected in the workplace and to develop the skills, attitudes and behaviours expected by employers.</p>	<p>IMVC (Taskforce & Jesuit Social Services) Transition to Work Manager: Janine Livingston Phone: 03 9686 2354 or Email:</p>	<p>Federal funded</p>

			jlivingston@imvc.com.au www.imvc.com.au	
Work for the Dole	https://www.employment.gov.au/work-for-the-dole	<p>Eligible job seekers registered with a Job Active provider will need to participate in Work for the Dole or another approved activity for six months each year to keep receiving their income support if they have mutual obligation requirements.</p> <p>Work for the Dole activities can be hosted by not-for-profit organisations and government agencies. The programme gives organisations an extra set of hands to help to undertake activities that would not normally be done. <u>Work for the Dole Coordinators</u> work with host organisations to identify suitable activities.</p> <p>Work for the Dole can help job seekers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • develop the skills that employers want • show they are ready to start work • meet new people and make contacts who can be a referee • get involved in their local community 	Match Works Work for the Dole Coordinator: Phoebe Prowd Phone: 0437 449 833 Email: phoebep@matchworks.com.au	Federal funded
Engaging Early School Leavers	http://www.employment.gov.au/engaging-early-school-leavers	<p>Engaging Early School Leavers initiative forms part of the Youth Employment Strategy and will strengthen the chances of early school leavers finding and keeping a job.</p> <p>Early school leavers who are not on a further education track will be supported to look for work and can be required to do so. This includes seeking opportunities such as apprenticeships or traineeships.</p>	http://www.employment.gov.au/engaging-early-school-leavers	
Job Active	https://www.employment.gov.au/jobactive	Job Active is the Australian Government's way to get more Australians into work. It connects job seekers with employers and is delivered by a network of Job Active providers in over 1700 locations across Australia.	AMES, MAX Employment, Sarina Russo Job Access, Job Prospects, Workskil Australia, Direct Recruitment PTY LTD	Federal funded

		<p>Employers can use a local Job Active provider for tailored recruitment services, at no cost to their business. Job Active providers work closely with employers to understand their recruitment needs.</p> <p>Job seekers who receive a payment from Centrelink are eligible for Job Active services to receive support to find and keep a job.</p>		
DES – Disability Management Services	https://www.employment.gov.au/disability-employment-services	<p>Through Disability Employment Services, job seekers with disability, injury or health condition may be able to receive assistance to prepare for, find and keep a job.</p> <p>Disability Employment Services providers are a mix of large, medium and small, for-profit and not-for-profit organisations that are experienced in supporting job seekers with disability and experienced helping businesses to put in place practices that support the employee in the workplace.</p> <p>Disability Management Service is for job seekers with disability, injury or health condition who need assistance to find a job and occasional support to keep a job.</p>	<p>SensWide Services MELBOURNE Phone number: (03) 8620 7155</p> <p>Youth Start Phone number: (03) 9686 2354</p> <p>MAX Employment Phone number: (03) 9821 8600</p> <p>The Salvation Army Employment Plus Phone number: (03) 9205 7900</p> <p>AMES Employment Phone number: (03) 9926 4733</p> <p>Sign For Work Phone number: (03) 9539 5309</p>	Current – until 2020
DES – Employment Support Service	https://www.employment.gov.au/disability-employment-services	<p>Through Disability Employment Services, job seekers with disability, injury or health condition may be able to receive assistance to prepare for, find and keep a job.</p>	<p>SensWide Services MELBOURNE Phone number: (03) 8620 7155</p>	Current – until 2020

		<p>Disability Employment Services providers are a mix of large, medium and small, for-profit and not-for-profit organisations that are experienced in supporting job seekers with disability and experienced helping businesses to put in place practices that support the employee in the workplace.</p> <p>Employment Support Service provides assistance to people with permanent disability and who need regular, ongoing support to keep a job.</p>	<p>Youth Start Phone number: (03) 9686 2354</p> <p>MAX Employment Phone number: (03) 9821 8600</p> <p>The Salvation Army Employment Plus Phone number: (03) 9205 7900</p> <p>AMES Employment Phone number: (03) 9926 4733</p> <p>Sign For Work Phone number: (03) 9539 5309</p>	
<p>Transition Support for Young Refugees and other Vulnerable Migrants</p>	<p>https://www.dss.gov.au/settlement-and-multicultural-affairs/programs-policy/settlement-services/youth-transition-support-pilot-programme</p>	<p>The programme will improve workplace readiness, provide access to vocational opportunities, and create strong social connections through education and sports engagement.</p> <p>Service providers will deliver a range of projects and activities for participants such as after-school homework clubs, connecting with local employment services and jobs, and vocational or other further education opportunities.</p> <p>The pilot is being rolled out from 1 January 2016 for 18 months by six service providers in 10 locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Victoria, Foundation House will deliver the programme in Greater Dandenong and Casey (Ucan2 program), and the Brotherhood of St Laurence will service the Hume area 	<p>Foundation House Brotherhood of St Laurence CMY AMES</p> <p>Referrals For information, phone: (03) 9422 5650 or Email: mct(at)bsl.org.au https://www.bsl.org.au/services/young-people/youth-transition-support-pilot-program/</p>	<p>Current – until June 2017</p>

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