

Media Release

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WYNDHAM'S REFURBISHED YOUTH HUB MAKING AN IMPACT

The Allan Labor Government is supporting young people in Wyndham with a newly refurbished Youth Hub providing tailored services and community connections.

Minister for Youth Natalie Suleyman today visited Wyndham City Council to open the new Wyndham Youth Services at Hoppers Crossing, which received \$150,000 through the 2022/23 *Youth Hubs Grant Program*.

Wyndham Youth Services has been open since 2003 and provides a multi-use space for young people aged 12-25 to access counselling, employment support and sport and recreation programs.

It also offers a safe and welcoming space for young people to come together, network and learn, with other youth service providers in the municipality now in the same building.

Co-designed by young people to ensure the space is safe, appropriate, and tailored to their needs, the refurbishment has included upgrades to consulting rooms, the foyer and commercial kitchen and a dedicated multipurpose sensory space.

The *Youth Hubs Grant Program* was funded as part of the Labor Government's five-year Youth Strategy 'Our promise, Your future' to upgrade and develop youth hubs in outer metropolitan Melbourne.

Quote attributable to Minister for Youth Natalie Suleyman

"This upgraded Youth Hub in the western suburbs is a one-stop hub, making services more accessible to local young people."

Quote attributable to Wyndham City Council Mayor Jennie Barrera

"Wyndham City and the Allan Labor Government have partnered together to fund the refurbishment of this popular youth space, ensuring it is welcoming and engaging for young people in Wyndham."

Quote attributable to the Member for Tarneit Dylan Wight

"The outer western region is a growing community, and our young people now have a dedicated space to learn and grow."

Quote attributable to the Member for Point Cook Mathew Hilakari

"From employment supports, counselling, and other key services, this space will be an active hub for local young people."

Quote attributable to the Member for Laverton Sarah Connolly

"Young people are a vital part of our communities and this Youth Hub will improve their access to safe spaces and supports."

Quote attributable to the Member for Werribee Tim Pallas

"These improved facilities provide young people in Wyndham with a one stop shop for wellbeing and connection."

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