

Project Overview

We are developing a 4 year Youth Action Plan based on both local and state research data, and what our community is telling us. The Frankston Youth Action Plan will steer the direction of how Frankston Youth Services work with, support, and the opportunities we provide to our young people, who make up 15% of Frankston City.

Community engagement with our young people and other key stakeholders is a significant part of the consultation process, and along with the relevant data, provides a level of insight that will ensure our plan is robust and responsive to the specific needs of young people in Frankston.

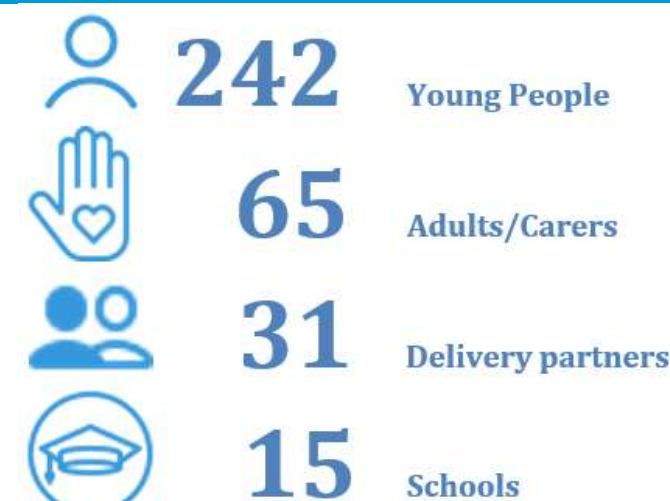
Engagement purpose

To engage with our community to ensure that the Frankston Youth Action Plan 2022-2026 will:

- Identify the current and future needs of young people (12-24 years) within Frankston City
- Plan services, programs and facilities for our young people
- Build on existing initiatives and identify opportunities to support young people
- Provide opportunities for youth participation and advocacy on behalf of our young people

Community Engagement Snapshot

Community engagement for our Youth Action Plan has occurred with young people and stakeholders, through a series of in-depth interviews, consultations and surveys, conducted both online, and face2face at various youth and community programs and events.



What Our Young People Want

"Safety and a sense of belonging"

"Empowerment and inclusion of youth voice in community decisions"

"Social connection, friends and a sense of normality"

"More opportunities and support to get a job"

"Crisis or long-term housing for young people"

"Easier access to free mental health services"

"I wish more young people were aware of the huge amount of support services that are available to them"

Summary of Outcomes

Not only has community feedback helped form the below 5 key priorities, it has directly led to a specific list of actions that align with each priority, guiding the work that council undertakes over the life of the Youth Action Plan to ensure young people within the municipality are receiving meaningful services, support and opportunities to thrive.

Based on the information obtained through our community engagement, Council plans and policies, and what the data is telling us, we have identified the following 'Priorities':

Priority 1: Safe Places in Our Community



Priority 2: Health and Wellbeing



Priority 3: Education and Employment



Priority 4: Inclusion and Accessibility



Priority 5: Youth Participation and Engagement



Recommendations & Next Steps

Once adopted, the Frankston Youth Action Plan 2022-2026 will be monitored and reviewed at the end of each financial year, based on progress and newly available data, and reporting will be conducted annually by Frankston City Council to ensure delivery of the plan is on track.

Frankston Youth Services will manage and coordinate the delivery of our plan, ensuring actions are achieved within specified timeframes through:

- Strengthening existing service delivery
- Implementation of new initiatives
- Collaboration with young people, internal and external delivery partners

The Youth Action Plan will inform the way we work with young people and delivery partners over the next four years. It is the start of an ongoing conversation with young people and the youth and community sectors about how we will collaborate to improve the futures of our young people.

