

What a year it has been for Youth Foundation 3081 with \$13,000 donated to 10 youth led projects. March 2012 saw the launch of the revamped YF 3081 with state government handing over the project to new partners including Banyule Community Health and La Trobe University all the while celebrating the continued partnership with the East Ivanhoe and Heidelberg Community Bank branches of the Bendigo Bank and Banyule City Council. The launch was a celebration of what the project had achieved over the previous 5 years and a look forward to the future with young 3081 residents expressing what they would do for their community if they had a \$1000 grant.

Here is a snap shot of some projects that have come to fruition this year.

Anti bullying compliment stickers

James, Hugo and Sen in year 9 at Macleod College came up with the anti bullying project that has seen 3000 stickers printed with 6 different compliments including "I think you are amazing" and "I wish I was as awesome as you!" Students have anonymously placed the stickers on lockers of people that they may have bullied or given someone to lift their esteem. Thanks to the Old Ivanhoe Grammarians Football Club for donating a further \$1000 towards the project so the stickers can reach more schools.

I think you are amazing!

Everyone has the right to feel awesome! Help make others feel special as well. Help put a stop to bullying.

There's nothing wrong with you!
You are as perfect as everyone else!

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I wish I was as awesome as you!

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Aboriginal Debutant Ball

Thanks to the fundraising of the La Trobe University giving committee, young people of Aboriginal background who identified that they wanted to do their

deb did so on the 24th November in front of their elders, family, friends and community members. It was a fabulous evening that the couples rehearsed long and hard for.



Bell Bardia Food Program

Year 12 students at Our Lady of Mercy College were granted by YF 3081 to fund 6 months hire of a kitchen to supply food at the Bell Bardia estate food program where they volunteer.

Camp Heide

An initiative of year 11 students at Our Lady of Mercy College who spent 3 days of the September school holidays, one on one, with Olympic Village Charles La Trobe Primary School campus in a 'big sister' type program. The program included sports, arts and crafts activities and a trip to Collingwood Children's Farm. At the end of the three days young participants were heard commenting 'the girls are like big sisters - better than big sisters!' and "going to miss every single thing"



Scooters for Malahang

The Exodus Young Adult Community put together a grant application after so many young people wanted to borrow a scooter at the Bike Hut at Malahang Reserve. The scooters have been popular and are loaned out every Thursday.

Other highlights:

- Stacey, Monique and Corey advocated to Metro, Public Transport Authority and the Child Safety Commissioner's office to address the issue of young people and train surfing.
- Young people are in the design phase of a mural at the Olympic Village Leisure Centre after three groups of young people expressed the need to brighten up the space.
- After Tyler's inspiring talk at the YF 3081 launch Councillor Craig Langdon increased the upgrade of the Olympic Village playground upgrade to include soft fall instead of bark.
- Thanks to Banyule City Council for listening to 'Kenny' and expanding the fencing around the skate park at Malahang.
- Students at The Pavilion have cleared out the derelict class rooms and are ready to install the gym equipment funded by YF 3081.
- Young people from Aboriginal background in 3081 in the new year will have an opportunity to participate in traditional dance and arts projects.
- Thanks to three proactive year 9 Macleod College students, three year levels at Macleod College enjoyed free breakfast at the school in term 4.



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