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AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE

# Inaugural National Youth Advisory Council Summit 15-17 February 2009



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# CREATE Foundation

## Inaugural National Youth Advisory Council Summit (NYAC) 15-17 February 2009

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### About CREATE

CREATE Foundation (CREATE) was founded in 1993 to provide an independent voice for children and young people with an out-of-home care experience. CREATE works in partnership with child and family welfare stakeholders including the Commonwealth and State and Territory governments, community organisations, Indigenous groups, church and welfare agencies and foster carers.

CREATE connects and empowers children and young people in care and improves the care system through activities, programs, training and policy advice.

CREATE seeks to:

**CONNECT** children and young people with one another, CREATE and their communities

**EMPOWER** and resource children and young people with a care experience

**CHANGE** the care system from the inside out through the participation of children and young people themselves.

### About the National Youth Advisory Council (NYAC)

There are almost 32,000 children and young people in care at any one time in Australia and the numbers have grown at the rate of 10 percent per year for the last decade.

The views of children and young people in care or who have had a care experience are valued highly by CREATE. These children and young people are experts about their lives in care. They can provide not only information about their experiences, but also thoughtful proposals on how the system can be improved.

To harness these ideas and energies and to give young people a stronger voice at a national level, CREATE has established a National Youth Advisory Council.

The Council's aims are:

- For children and young people in contact with CREATE to identify issues that inform CREATE's advocacy and strategic direction.
- To provide information to CREATE staff and/or government regarding legislation, policy and practice.
- To improve the care system, and the lives of children and young people with a care experience.

The National Youth Advisory Council comprises up to three representatives from each state and territory. Nominations were sought from CREATE's pool of young consultants who contribute to CREATE's work at a state and territory level through the state Youth Advisory Groups. The current membership of twenty three young people are aged 15 to 24 years

## The Summit

The NYAC met for the first time at a National Summit in Sydney in February 2009. The Summit delegates met to determine common themes, discuss issues and identify solutions. These young people felt keenly that they were 'representing' the 32,000 or so children and young people in care at any one time.

The Summit also aimed to bring decision makers and people of influence together to listen to the young people: to listen, to hear, to think and to act. This was achieved through a presentation to Parliamentary Secretary Bill Shorten MP, representing Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon. Jenny Macklin MP.

A powerful message from the Council concluded with a plea that while government is rescuing banks and the economy with multi-billion dollar packages, they need to reflect on this very disadvantaged group of children and young people and take action to provide them with equal opportunities to achieve in life.

Mr Shorten heard the messages, responded thoughtfully to the young people's presentation, gave advice on strategies for action and undertook to report back what he had heard to Minister Macklin and Prime Minister Kevin Rudd.

## SUMMIT OVERVIEW | KEY ISSUES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE

The Summit commenced with a social activity to help participants get to know one another while they explored Sydney in The Great Race. The formal meeting over two full days comprised of workshops including State & Territory Issues; National Issues; Hopes and Dreams for the future art workshop; "What's the one thing that can help me get a job", with Carlyle Perring; Media Training. Proceedings were professionally recorded on DVD.

Delegates were asked to develop a priority list identifying four key issues and proposing possible solutions. The solutions were developed with a strengths-focus in mind. The delegates had a keen awareness that many staff in the care system are doing the best they can, and that resources are constrained.

**Victorian Youth Delegates and  
CREATE Staff**

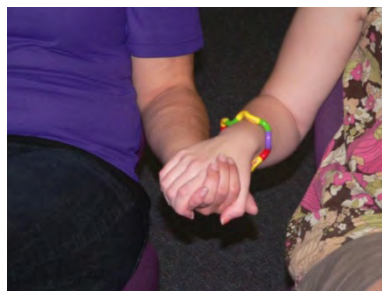


The four key issues were case planning, transitioning from care, drivers licences and placement issues.

## Issue: Case Plans

The lack of children and young people’s appropriate participation in case planning was discussed at length at the summit. Delegates felt that the case planning process often did not occur, and when plans were developed, children’s and young people’s involvement was either limited or did not occur at all.

Issues	Solutions
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Overworked workers</li> <li>2. Crisis driven</li> <li>3. Lack of worker commitment to case plan</li> <li>4. Case plans rushed- lack of thought and relevance</li> <li>5. Not child friendly in terminology/ format</li> <li>6. Needs of the child sometimes confused with needs of the birth family</li> <li>7. Children and young people not involved in CP process</li> <li>8. Children and young people’s views overlooked</li> <li>9. Lack of worker accountability for formulation and implementation of CP’s.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Children and young people need to be involved in CP formulation               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Workers need to be able to facilitate this process (e.g. just having the YP in the room is not sufficient)</li> <li>b. Formulation to be done in sections with different parties present e.g. worker and YP/ All adults involved/ all adults and YP</li> <li>c. CYP to be given option of having mentor/ significant person present</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Ongoing checkups/ reviews of case plans (are goals still applicable/ realistic and are they being met?)</li> <li>3. Independent reviews of case plan implementation (i.e. ensure that case worker is doing their job)</li> <li>4. More child advocates to be more directly available (perhaps consider regional/ rural advocates)</li> </ol>



## Issue: Transitioning from Care

The lack of support for transition from care was a major focus for the delegates as it covers not only a large range of issues as defined below, but also crosses the age range of 15yrs-25yrs. Access to improved specialist supports and training post 18yrs was a major area of concern to the delegates to assist to improve life outcomes.

Issues	Solutions
Lack of support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Education and employment</li> <li>b. Housing</li> <li>c. Health</li> <li>d. Finance               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sector</li> <li>2. Individual</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Specific independent living workshops (e.g. life skills, budgeting, cooking, housing etc)</li> <li>2. Uni/ TAFE etc subsidised until age 25</li> <li>3. More incentive to study (e.g. financial)</li> <li>4. More specialised youth employment centres</li> <li>5. Individual health assessment before leaving care</li> <li>6. Greater access/ assistance (\$\$) with health post care</li> <li>7. Access to health records</li> <li>8. More subsidised housing and associated costs</li> <li>9. More supported accommodation</li> <li>10. Savings account for post care started upon entering care</li> </ol>

## Issue: Driving Licences

Recent changes to legislation requiring in some cases up to 150 hours of registered driving time prior to attaining a drivers licence has brought this issue to the fore. Delegates identified not only the hours required as a barrier but also highlighted the difficulty in attaining adequate formal identification of 100 points, and guardian permission added to the already challenging requirements.

Delegates do not want the requirements to be waived as they recognised the importance of safe and well equipped drivers, but have provided potential solutions to assist in making their licence attainable.

Issues	Solutions
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Access to 100 points of ID to gain Learners</li><li>2. Barriers to learners e.g. transit fines</li><li>3. Gaining required number of driving hours (e.g. up to 150hrs required)</li><li>4. Gaining consent</li><li>5. Access to car</li><li>6. Access to licensed driver to supervise</li><li>7. Financial costs of permits/ lessons etc</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Vouchers for lessons</li><li>2. Use of NGO vehicles that YP can access at a nominal fee for lessons</li><li>3. Pool of volunteers/ youth workers to act as supervising driver- funding for NGO's to support this scheme</li><li>4. Financial assistance for lessons/ tests etc</li><li>5. Access to ID (not just photocopies) whenever needed</li></ol>



## Issue: Placement Issues

Placement issues, including lack of options and appropriate carers, were raised as a significant issue across the country. Youth delegates raised the need for constant placement review and the opportunity to have input into the type of care placement they receive. Delegates also raised that lack of case planning reviews significantly impacted on placement issues.

Not so good	Good
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Too many kids in one placement</li> <li>2. Being pushed around/ forced to do too many chores</li> <li>3. Too many placements</li> <li>4. Pushing beliefs on YP</li> <li>5. Neglect of basic needs</li> <li>6. Labelling (e.g. low expectations as 'child in care')</li> <li>7. Treating biological kids differently</li> <li>8. Different messages from carer/ worker- not knowing the truth about their situation</li> <li>9. Loss of belongings</li> <li>10. Different behavioural expectations</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Constant review of placement</li> <li>2. Equality- welcoming/ respect/ courtesy</li> <li>3. Stability</li> <li>4. Family Environment</li> <li>5. Open Communication</li> <li>6. Support with life skills/ practical things and emotionally</li> <li>7. Encouraged to be yourself</li> <li>8. Access to birth family</li> <li>9. Families work with carer/ worker and young people</li> <li>10. Staying with foster carer after they turn 18</li> </ol>



## Summit Dinner

The Summit dinner, held at The Star Room overlooking Darling Harbour, was not only a chance for the young people to celebrate; it had a serious side.

Guests comprised senior government representatives from across the country, including Ministers responsible for child protection in two states, several Commissioners for Children or Children's Guardians, National Foster Care organisations, many child welfare agency representatives and members of the business community, including many of CREATE's corporate sponsors.

The Summit findings were showcased on DVD. This proved a highlight because of the clarity of views, the solutions proposed and the power of young people's own voices, which were crafted into a simple, strong message: ***children and young people in care deserve equal opportunities to other Australian children and young people***. The case for change cannot easily be ignored in the face of such testimony.

Entertainment highlights included Nadine, a young woman in care who travelled from Tasmania especially for the Summit. Nadine sang beautifully, overcoming nerves, to let the audience know her a little through her song. She is very keen to further her involvement with CREATE and to have her voice heard about issues in the care sector.

Freedom Road, a group of seven teenagers from the RAPP program travelled from Hull in the UK, to perform several songs written by group members. Comprising mainly of children and young people from a disadvantaged background, Freedom Road aim to inspire young people to live their dreams. Their own dreams were realised when phenomenal fundraising enabled six children and young people and eight support staff and carers to visit Australia and the Summit at CREATE's invitation. Freedom Road have made lasting links with our Youth Delegates and CREATE Foundation here in Australia.

The Summit ended the night on a high with an amazing performance from the Hip Hop Performance Crew. This talented Crew trained tirelessly to give their all on the night, a passionate display driven by their leaders own care experience. We thank Jamie and the Crew for travelling up from Canberra for the Summit.

## Hopes and Dreams for Children and Young People in Care

Guests at the Summit Dinner were asked to record their hopes and dreams for children and young people in care and to say what they would do to make it happen. Responses were collected from many guests including the youth delegates; CREATE staff, Government and Corporate supporters and sponsors.

Here are just a few:

**Hopes & Dreams:** To get a better future in life and do well at college and university. **Action:** Put the past behind me and get a fab job and work hard.



**Hopes & Dreams:** I don't want there to be any more children and young people in care.

**Action:** Every day, I'll do at least one thing aimed at stopping kids going into care.

**Hopes & Dreams:** Safe housing; Access to a good education; Driving lessons; Equal opportunities – love, new experiences, travel, adventures.

**Action:** Keep doing my best while I work at CREATE.



**Hopes & Dreams:** For all young adults to receive more support in the transition period.

**Action:** I would like to volunteer my time to assist young adults prepare for job interviews, act as a mentor, guide them through the difficult times of transitioning to the working world.

## CREATE's Plan of Action

CREATE will take on board the Summit priorities and incorporate advocacy on the issues into National and State/Territory Action Plans. The Summit Report will be used to promote action by governments, community organisations and corporate sponsors.

CREATE's Strategic Plan is committed to supporting the ongoing development of the National Youth Advisory Council and State/Territory Youth Advisory Groups.

Specifically at a National level –CREATE will

- Undertake Transitioning from Care follow up research in 2009 and use the findings to continue to provide evidence of difficulties faced by young people transitioning from care and promote positive solutions to improve life opportunities and outcomes
- Advocate for the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children to address in care and transitioning from care issues;
- Arrange meetings to present the Summit report and proposals to all state territory governments and to Children's Commissioners and Guardians.
- Continue to seek funding for CREATE Your Future (CREATE'S transition from care program) across the country
- Establish and grow the CREATE Your Future Grants scheme;
- Support the National Youth Advisory Council during 2009;
- Plan a national summit to be held in February 2010.
- Lobby state governments to implement Be.heard as one part of the states Quality Assurance Strategy, to provide opportunities for children and young people to have a voice and be heard.
- Support young people to participate in and develop the State Youth Advisory Groups



## NATIONAL YOUTH ADVISORY SUMMIT

### Speech Notes

#### Jacqui Reed, CEO, CREATE Foundation

Tonight has been a watershed moment for CREATE Foundation.

The Board's vision has never wavered despite many obstacles along the way.

The vision was simple - the Board wanted a National Youth Advisory Council to promote children and young people's voices, a formal avenue for them to be heard. A vision that has now become a reality!

I think that we can all agree that we have learnt a lot from the young people present tonight. Their courage, conviction and passion to make the system better for those who go after them, is truly amazing.

Tonight we have heard the collective voices of young people throughout Australia telling us what the issues are, and importantly they have lead us to the solutions.

When we reflect on the issues raised today, we sadly see that many were the same issues facing young people 20 years ago.

Which begs the question – how much have we improved, and what difference are we making?

We know that from our report card research that many governments in response to numerous inquiries and reviews, have placed emphasis on developing robust public policy to act as layers of accountability for a system under siege.

Overall one could say a sweeping reform.

However we find that despite this commitment to policy review the reality is that at a practice level, "the coal face" little has changed. I'd say this is in part because we are focusing on systems, and not people and relationships.

Children and young people still tell us that they don't have case plans and when they do, they in many cases have not been active participants in the process of developing them.

They tell us that they are not supported to transition from care effectively, have little understanding of the services and entitlements they have, and consequently their life outcomes continue to be way below that of the general population.

This is the area that concerns us the most, the lack of real progress toward increasing the life outcomes for children and young people in, and post care.

All too often we see that young people transitioning out of the care system are given low priority, are resourced poorly and jettisoned from the care system without ongoing support, or equipped to live independently.

We grapple with the long term affects of us not getting it right for young people, and the cost of not getting it right for society. We know that if we don't support and resource young people adequately that they are more likely to be:

- Under employed;
- Homeless or living in substandard housing;
- Involved in the juvenile justice system;
- Experience substance abuse;
- Parent at a younger age;
- Have health and mental health issues;
- And the list goes on.

In a nutshell it's simply not acceptable. It cannot continue

Report after report, research paper after research paper tell us what the issues are, and we know intrinsically the solutions and so do the young people.

- The age range for young people to receive support should be standardised across Australia to 25 years
- We want transition from care to be a priority, and to have dedicated case workers to oversee the transition process
- For every young person leaving care to have a transition plan that is useful, relevant and realistic
- For dedicated funds to be available, and identified so that young people, and workers know what young people are entitled to
- For issues of disadvantage such as the new driving license laws that government recognise, and provide funds to those young people who do not have an adult willing or able to provide them with supervised driving lessons. They don't want an exemption, they too want to be safe on the roads
- For bi partisan support, and across government collaboration – young people's lives are not compartmentalised – the single most pervasive barrier to young people success post care is homelessness, buoyed by the lack of affordable housing. Young people with a care experience are the most vulnerable and disadvantaged when they enter the private rental market, a creative approach to access to affordable housing, bond loans, references, and set up costs is needed.

- Education and training is another silo that by working in partnership can be overcome. Systems need to be in place to support young people. For example, waiving HECS fees, assisting young people to purchase the necessary books and resources and preparatory courses for those young people entering higher education whilst living independently.

So, we're all sitting here, asking ourselves what can we do?

First of all let me tell you what CREATE is going to do:

We are going to be relentless in our pursuit to create a better life for kids in care

- Our second report card the follow up to the transition from care in 2008 is due late this year, we are back out asking young people about their transition experiences, and seeking feedback from government about how they have implemented our recommendations – and asking the difficult question about what has been done to improve the process of transition for young people
- We are lobbying government to fund our CREATE Your Future program in every state and territory and seeking support from corporates and government to boost our CREATE Your Future grant scheme

I urge everyone to take personal responsibility for owning their part in making a difference, your compassion, and commitment is essential for improving the life outcomes for children and young people.

The Dalai Lama said “that the basic meaning of compassion is not just a feeling of closeness or just a feeling of pity, but also having a feeling of determination, and responsibility to overcome that suffering”. Never has this been clearer for us.....

Each and every one of us should and can take responsibility; with commitment we can make a difference.

Before everyone leaves tonight we want you to tell us what your hopes and dreams are for children and young people in care, and tell us what you can do to make it happen.

If everyone can take a few minutes and commit to taking part in making a difference then this summit will have garnered the enthusiasm and compassion of everyone here to create a better life for children and young people in care.

Jacqui Reed  
 Chief Executive Officer  
 CREATE Foundation  
 NYAC Summit Speech - 17 February 2009



## Media Release

11 February 2009

### **Young persons' summit seeks solutions to 'out-of-home-care' plight**

The first National Youth Advisory Council (NYAC) Summit will convene in Sydney next Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 February to address issues and seek solutions for children living in foster, residential and kinship care (out-of-home-care) which is expecting growth by 3,500 new placements this year alone.

The NYAC Summit will bring together 24 young delegates from across Australia representing every state and territory who will share their own experiences, views and frustrations of a care system that has not progressed in 20 years, despite new research showing children growing up away from their immediate family is growing 10 per cent per year<sup>1</sup> and their life outcomes remain severely diminished.

CEO of the CREATE Foundation, Jacqui Reed said: "The Young Person's National Youth Advisory Council Summit provides a forum for young people to have a voice and be heard by key decision makers, so that we can work together to affect change in the care system and improve life outcomes for our most vulnerable children."

"We already know that young people who experience out-of-home-care are at higher risk of being undereducated, unemployed or to earn less, become a parent at a younger age, be involved in the Juvenile Justice system, become homeless, be dependent on social assistance, have mental health issues, attempt suicide, and be at a higher risk of substance abuse.

"So it's imperative that we listen to our young people who know firsthand the challenges that living away from the family home present, and then act on their wisdom and advice so that we are not repeating the mistakes of the last 20 years," concluded Ms Reed.

The Summit will culminate with a conference dinner attended by key decision makers including Federal and State Ministers, child protection agencies and statutory authorities. These key decision makers will be addressed by the young delegates who will share their first hand knowledge and hopes for a care system that improves life outcomes for children in care.

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<sup>1</sup> Child Protection Australia 2007-08 published by Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, January 2009



# Media Release

17 February 2009

## Government all ears on out-of-home-care plight

Youth Advisory Committee to present out-of-home-care findings to Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Children's Services.

Sydney: Youth Advisory Committee delegates from around the country will meet today for a second day of discussions around issues and solutions to out-of-home care which is currently experienced by approx. 32,000 young Australians. Their findings will then be presented to the The Honourable Member for Maribyrnong and Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Children's Services, Bill Shorten at 1.00pm today.

"We are very pleased that the Hon. Mr Bill Shorten MP will attend the inaugural Youth Advisory Committee Summit and hear what our young people, informed by their own experiences in care, have to say," said CEO of CREATE Foundation, Jacqui Reed.

"We view the Federal Member's attendance at the Summit as vindication that out-of-home-care requires an immediate and national response."

Key discussion points at the Summit are expected to include; young people transitioning from care to independent living, and the need for better individual planning by authorities that considers the cultural needs of the child.

"Our hope is that the findings presented to the Honourable, Bill Shorten by the young people will in some way shape or support the recommendations in the National Child Protection Framework which is due out shortly," concluded Ms Reed.

As well as attending the Summit to hear the young people's views, Mr Shorten will provide a right of reply.

The Summit will culminate with a conference dinner attended by key decision makers including Federal and State Ministers, child protection agencies and statutory authorities. These key decision makers will be addressed by the young delegates who will share their hopes for a care system that improves life outcomes for children in care. Media are welcome to attend the Youth Advisory Committee's presentation to the Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities and Children's Services:

Tuesday 17 February 1.00pm at the NSW Commission for Children and Young People Level 2, 407 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills NSW 2011. To find your local CREATE Foundation office visit [www.create.org.au](http://www.create.org.au)

# Media Release

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18 February 2009

## **Is a future for children living in out-of-home care too much to ask for?**

One of the questions raised at this week's Youth Advisory Summit presentation to the Government representatives was: is it too much to ask for some of the Government's stimulus package to be directed towards building a national solution for children and young people living in out-of-home care to help improve their future outcomes?

The comment was made by one of the 24 Youth Advisory delegates, who like her fellow delegates, has experienced living in out-of-home care and the challenges that simply living away from the family can present.

The inaugural two-day National Youth Advisory Committee summit which wrapped up last night saw the delegates address government officials including the Hon. Bill Shorten MP and Parliamentary Secretary for Disability and Children Services and the Hon. Linda Burney NSW Minister for Community Services and present them with four main issues and their solutions:

The issues as outlined by the Youth Advisory delegates included:

1. Learning to drive. The need for 100 points of identification and 120 hours of driving tuition required were in many cases a strong barrier to getting a drivers license and subsequently to gaining independence and employment. Many young people don't have access to personal documents like their birth certificate.
2. The difficulty in leaving care at the age of 18 with no plans for their immediate or short term future and in some cases no future living arrangements provided.
3. The lack of accountability by any government authority in maintaining a case plan for a young person
4. Moving around from placement to placement which leads to feelings of displacement for children and young people as well as the loss of personal items. Some of the delegates recount staying in one place for only 3 weeks before being moved again.

But along with the issues, the delegates shared their views of practical solutions to each issue. Suggestions included:

1. Organise a pool of volunteers to help young people in care learn how to drive or provide government vehicles which young people could pay a small fee to use to learn how to drive.
2. More support was required for young people when they turn 18 such as encouragement to seek tertiary education and receive funding for text books; easier and quicker access to semi-independent living arrangements; and a national transitioning from care legislation that provides a plan for people leaving care until the age of 25.
3. A regular review process for each young person's case plan conducted by an independent body.
4. Consult with young people about their placements

Following this presentation, the Hon. Bill Shorten provided an uplifting response to the young people urging each of them to use their collective voices to affect change for the thousands of children in care.

In his speech Mr Shorten congratulated the young people for identifying solutions to the issues they presented and provided suggestions including lobbying organisations such as the RACV or NRMA about their driving needs.

The MP also announced \$165,000 would be provided by the Government to the CREATE Foundation to use towards building a training website where young people can connect with others and share their experiences.

CEO of the CREATE Foundation Jacqui Reed was delighted with the results from the inaugural Summit: "Having the young people come together over the past few days to share their experiences and workshop solutions and ideas to the out-of-home-care plight has been a fantastic experience for everyone involved.

"The energy and passion exuded by our young delegates has been so inspiring and I know that each and everyone one of them has benefited from the insights and shared knowledge. From here I believe our young delegates will take forward a renewed energy in their own lives to create opportunities and a commitment to continue to be a voice for the 32,000 young people living in care."

Following the Summit the CREATE Foundation will prepare a report which will be sent to all government and care agencies.

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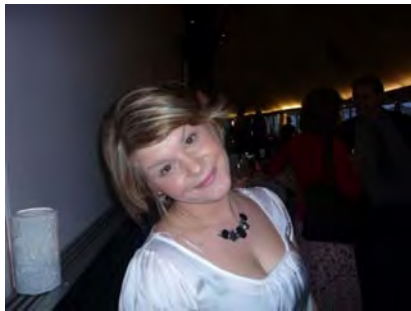
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