

Partner Update

Ganbina - Agents of change

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Industry Tours
are a valuable
part of Ganbina's
Jobs Education
Program.

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Jobs4U2 Funding Status

Jobs4U2 is the umbrella name for Ganbina's school to work transition program activities. Every year, at least 80 per cent of all young people who enrol complete their program successfully.

Program	2013 Enrolments Target	2013 Enrolments To date	Annual Cost	Funding Jan - Dec 2013 (red indicates shortfall)
Jobs Education	170	156		
Jobs Training	25	22		
Jobs Employment	65	63		
Scholarships	295	257	\$121,800	\$3,800
Leadership Training	21	19	\$190,461	0
Driver Skills Program	40	35	\$12,500	0
Youth Achievement Awards	33	Announced Nov 2013	\$22,000	0
Operations	-		\$476,756	\$37,092

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Industry knowledge and experience is a key strategy for successful school to work transition

Ganbina knows that providing participants with the means to explore and experience as many different types of industries as possible is one of the key factors in empowering them to plan successful careers for themselves.

The Ganbina Careers Expo for Years 10-12 and the Career Night for Year 9 are a very important part of this information gathering and discovery process.

So too are the dedicated Industry Tours for Years 7, 8 and 9. Through the organisations involved, participants are given first-hand exposure into workplaces to learn about specific industries. At the same time, these Industry Tours provide links between participants and local business people.

"I thought the Industry Tour through Kmart and Coles was great, I learnt a lot about what is expected from us as employees. I liked the fact that at Kmart you could wear any kind of pants as long as you bought them from Kmart, but my choice of a work place would be Coles," said Ally Knight, a Notre Dame College student.

The Year 9 Industry Tour for 2013 focused on the retail sector and was hosted by the local Coles and Kmart stores. The 16 young people taking part learned about the supermarket industry as a whole, how the individual stores operate and what types of roles and careers are available in the retail industry.

This approach is both simple and effective in making the very valuable connection between school, work experience and after school employment opportunities. In contrast to the national general trend of just 36 per cent of secondary students accessing after school jobs, an average of 60 per cent of Ganbina's participants secure after school work.

Acting Kmart Store Manager, Scott Bohun, said that it was very rewarding to help young people take the first steps in their career planning. "It gives them a view into the working world and a head start. It also helps us to recruit Indigenous kids," he said.

Gandel Philanthropy A new supporter of Ganbina

Right: Vedran Drakulic, CEO



Welcome to Gandel Philanthropy which is partnering with Ganbina for the first time this year by awarding a two year grant in support of the Jobs4U2 Program.

Supporting innovative and effective indigenous programs is a key focus for Gandel Philanthropy which is committed to helping build stronger, more resilient and more inclusive communities around Australia.

In line with this objective, it aims to work with organisations that address the underlying causes of inequality and deliver tangible and meaningful results.

"We believe Ganbina ticks all those boxes and is really hitting the mark in terms of making positive, lasting change," said CEO Vedran Drakulic.

Mr Drakulic said that last year, he heard Ganbina participants speak at a corporate function about how exposure to different business experiences had contributed so much to their personal and professional development.

He said that the Trustees strongly believe in the power of deep and engaging partnerships and that as well as offering financial support to Ganbina, they are keen to explore ways of helping young people to broaden their knowledge and experience about business in general.

"Young people can learn so much from listening and talking to people in real jobs. We want to help participants of the Jobs4U2 program to get as many of those experiences as they can so that they are in a position to make informed career choices and develop their full potential," he said.



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