

# LTCCP 2006-16 SUBMISSION

Submissions close on 5 May 2006

I wish to talk to the main points in my submission at the hearings to be held between Thursday 25 May and Wednesday 7 June 2006.

I am completing this submission:

Number of people you represent:

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Your Submission:

**Do you have any comments on the major projects in our Draft Community Plan?**

**Do you have any comments on groups of activities (The activities and services the Council provides?)**

YCD is prepared to support the councils allocation of the Community Grants Budget. In saying that I also suggest the budget be increased to support the work with in Community. The council has been a strong supporter of the work of YCD since 1993. In 2003 the Council entered into a 6 year commitment to cover the rental of the YCD venue of 70,000 per year. The rental is up for review as of 7 July and YCD wishes to request an increase in the present funding to cover the possible increase. YCD is also responsible for Rates and insurance on the building and general upkeep. This has been an expense that is covered by other funding.

The work of YCD has a major positive impact of our city supporting Yopung People, many of whom are at risk of or are offending to improve their behaviour and look at goals for the future. YCD has been evaluated commissioned through the council. This document showed the services as being essential to the Community. In Dec 2005 an evaluation was completed by Dr Lesley MacGibbon on the Street Youth Work Project working with underage sex workers and encouraging them to seek a future out of that industry. The level of funding has for some time not been increased and the council through their safety and social commitment should consider increasing funding to go toward Christchurch being a better place by building on our strengths and working on our weaknesses.

**Do you have any other comments or suggestions you want to make?**

Services offered through YCD are.....

YCD provides Youth Justice services in Christchurch.

Information and Event Centre

**Your Submission  
(Cont'd):**

Supervised activities run between the hours of 12.00pm to 4pm Monday to Friday and workshops from 5pm to 7pm Tuesday and Thursday. The centre provides a safe place for young people to engage with a Youth Worker and establish an understanding of services available at YCD and other agencies that best meet the needs. YCD advocates on behalf of the Young Person when dealing with difficult issues and will inform of their rights and responsibilities.

**Whanaketanga**

20 week Life Skills Course for Young People from 15 to 20 years of age. The course content encourages participation in encounter rec, workshops, community project activities such as working for paraplegic association doing gardens and other work at no charge for labour, working on reserves and Marae. Min Youth Development funded.

**Whakatu-tia Nga Wero**

20-week course for Young People with a history of offending between the age of 14 and 16 years. This is a new initiative funded by the Ministry of Youth Development and is 1 of 2 in the South Island and 6 in the north island commencing in February 2003.

**Supervision with Activity**

This is a sentence handed out by the Youth Court requiring 12-week supervision for the young person with a clear plan, goal setting and projected outcomes. This is a formal order by the court. This order has a case management component. There are three places available at YCD for this service. This Child Youth and Family funded.

**Community Service Co Ordination Project**

Referrals from Child Youth and Family, Police Youth Aid and Youth Court are received. The setting up of an appropriate placement with a community provider for the Young Person is arranged and supported. Complete hours of work ordered through the Youth Justice system are recorded and Court reports are provided by YCD and follow up to ensure ongoing support is continued. Young people are assessed and offered ongoing support in a Case Management role. CY&F funded.

**Street Youth Work Project**

The Street Youth Work Project works with Young People who are at risk of or are sex working and are under the age of 18 years. This project has a case management component and works with a "Harm Minimisation" focus. This project will encourage Young People identified as at risk to look at options for their future. Staff work on the street 3 nights per week and run a DropIn service, home visits where appropriate and promote sexual health checks etc. This is funded through CCC, CPU, CY&F and Lotteries.

**Case Management**

Through the projects run at YCD Young People are case managed providing assessment of need and referrals to specific and appropriate agencies for things such as, Drug and Alcohol, Stopping Violence, Abuse and Grief Counselling, Whakapapa, Victim Support and Legal advice. Young People are also encouraged to reconnect with old interests such as Sport, the Arts, Cultural Groups, Church and other activities. All services offered at YCD are inline with the Youth Development Strategy, Youth Offending Strategy and the Youth Health Strategy.

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**FGC Monitoring**

Child Youth and Family have contracted YCD to deliver FGC monitoring for Young first Offenders who have not yet appear in Youth Court and those who have appeared once. A YCD Case Manager is attached to that Young Person to support positive outcomes from their FGC plan.

**Supported Bail**

Child Youth and Family have contracted YCD to deliver Supported Bail. This is a National Initiative working one on one with Young People who are bailed on serious/several charges and would otherwise be in Custody.

**Other Activities**

The YCD venue is also utilised by other community groups for performances and activities that are youth focused. Groups using the space are varied.