

STATS

3,626 young people attended one of our 160 Club nights in the past year!!

A Story

Danny's* first contact with Youth Alive Trust was through activities a youthworker was running in his school. He started attending our clubs, events and camps, and made this place his second home. Danny moved away from Christchurch, but stayed in touch and on his return to Christchurch, rejoined as a volunteer. "The youthworkers didn't know how much I really appreciated them as a teenager. I was being abused at home, and I knew YAT was a safe place, where people really cared about me. I want to offer that same support back to local teens".



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Our staff spent 2,400 hours running programmes and activities in our 6 local schools.

Annual Report 2014

YouthAlive^{TRUST}

Building Bright Futures with Young People in New Brighton since 1989



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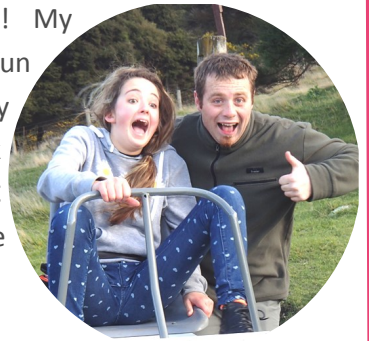
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In 2014 our volunteers donated 8782 hours to their community! If this was to be paid at a rate of \$15 per hour, this would have cost \$131,730!

Feedback

Sometimes it's the simple things; the reliability, and stability that makes the difference. Eastside parents are still going through stressful situations, and we've been told on numerous occasions that our programmes are the bright point of the week. One of our favourite quotes from a recent parents survey said: "My son said 'Youth Alive Holiday Programmes are like a kids dream come true'. Thank you so much! My kids had so much fun and that made my stressful week dealing with EQC much more bearable".



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Nearly 5,000 people attended the Large Community Events we helped organise.

Mission: Building Bright Futures with Young People in New Brighton through Practical Christian Service.

Our Vision for the east of Christchurch is to provide 1) **“Safe”** places that children, young people and families are 2) **“Supported Holistically”** (socially, emotionally, mentally and spiritually) in a friendly and 3) **“Fun”** environment. Programmes are led by enthusiastic and compassionate staff and volunteers who take every opportunity to build self esteem and try new activities through oodles of 4) **“Encouragement”**.

We provide an exciting and vibrant community, whose values are built on the Christian 5) **“Faith”**, that discriminates nobody and offers extra grace when often needed. This 6) **“Inclusive”** attitude attracts people from a wide variety of circumstances, particularly those from low socio economic backgrounds, and those considered ‘At-Risk’ to themselves or others.

We recognise that we cannot do it alone, so we refer, 7) **“Network”** and collaborate with many agencies to provide the best possible support for the people we walk alongside. We provide opportunities and training that encourages young people to serve others in various 8) **“Leadership”** capacities, that inspires a future of hope and makes both their and our world a better and brighter place!

A Hammer is just a piece of wood and steel when it’s just sat in the tool bag. A Rugby Ball is just a piece of leather filled with air, when it’s just sat in the club rooms. A building is just a set of bricks and mortar - until you fill it with people - and that’s what gives it life! We are so excited by our building development, but not because of the GIB, paint and carpet.

We’re excited about the tens of thousands of people who will use the building every year for one of the many community support services. We’re excited about the 5 year old who will come on his first holiday programme with us, and make friends that will last a lifetime. We’re excited about the 10 year old who will learn a musical instrument for the first time and go onto become a famous rock star (in his garage!) We’re excited about the 13 year old who shares her home troubles with our youthworkers - the first time she felt safe enough to tell someone who could walk with her through the journey. We’re excited about the teenage volunteers, who will go onto become leaders in our businesses, communities and governments.

The long term of using this amazing new tool will be seen in our community for generations to come, and I’m so proud to be a part of it!

Stan Tawa



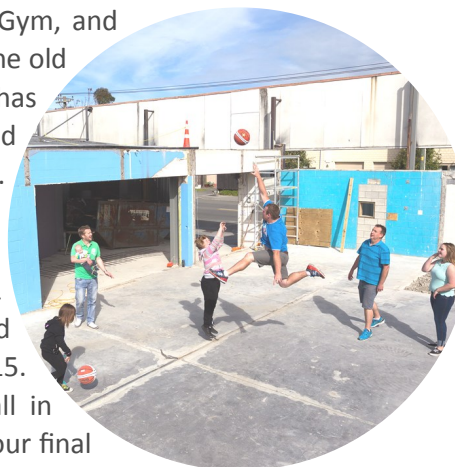
After years of planning, community consultation, professional advice and fundraising - the builders raised their hammers for the first time in April 2014 and have been here ever since!

The vision is to change this old, cold, run-down supermarket into a new, modern, purpose built Youth & Community Hub, that met all modern building legislation and would fit the needs of the many agencies and programmes that run

from here, for many years to come! Huge steel beams have been placed into the foyer to strengthen the overall building, 7 trucks of concrete were poured into the slab and the roof has been ripped off, windows added for natural light and a small increase in height. The

demolition guys found an unexpected concrete bunker in the Youth Gym, and the craning away of the old low steel rafters has been warmly viewed by the basketball fans. Stage 1 is expected to be complete by June 2015, and Stages 2 & 3 should be completed by the end of 2015.

here is still a shortfall in funding to complete our final stage, so any leads or windfalls would be greatly appreciated!!



1. Weekly Clubs

Our weekly clubs are the talk of the town (well - talk of the school playgrounds) as young people from all our local schools get together for activities, outings, gross challenges, team bonding games, competitions, and a lot of laughs! There is a club for every age range, and they provide a cheap, safe and fun alternative to hanging on the streets. Our key staff are joined by a team of volunteers from our community, who build positive relationships with young people, speak encouragement, and provide role models for some of our community's most at-risk.

- **Cheeky Monkeys** (Years 1 - 4)
- **WAVE** (Years 5 - 6)
- **Rock Solid** (Years 7 - 8)
- **Surge** (Years 9 - 13)



2. School Programmes

Our youthworkers support local young people in their schools, on lunchtimes, and through extra curricula activities. Offering mentoring, sports coaching, lunchtime activities, life skills programmes, events, building school spirit, supporting teachers and being positive role models. Our local schools have gone through many changes post-earthquakes, and we have been helping the transition of 3 schools into 1. The schools we work in every week are:

- **Central New Brighton School**
- **North New Brighton School**
- **South Brighton School**
- **New Brighton Catholic**
- **Shirley Boys High**
- **Avonside Girls High**



The Most Amazing Volunteers!!

They come in all kinds of shapes and sizes, all ages, races, socio-economic backgrounds, differing humors and tastes in movies - but one thing they do have in common: they love the Young People of Our Community! Yes, they get to join in all the games, activities, outings and camps, but they're also the kind that get to use the vacuum, the toilet brushes, chat to the 'difficult' child, first one there, last the leave - they're the most amazing volunteers and we love them!



3. Holiday Programmes

Our Holiday Programmes are much more than 'child-care' while parents are working - they're fun filled, action packed activities that stretch young people to try new things, make new friends, visit new places, and make memories that will last a lifetime! One of our great successes is offering ex-holiday programme attendees, the opportunity to be junior leaders, giving back to their community and learning leadership skills. They are Child Youth & Family approved, WINZ approved and contracted to the Ministry of Social Development.

- **Junior Oscar** (Years 1 - 4)
- **Senior Oscar** (Years 5 - 9)
- **Breakaway** (Years 9 - 13)



4. Camps

When you take young people away from their normal lives, away from earthquake damaged Christchurch, to new places, with new people and do new things - you make extraordinary memories!! From Teenage Camps at Wainui, to Leadership Camps at Living Springs, to Parent and Child Camps in the Canterbury High Country, they all receive great feedback, and very few (maybe the leaders at times?) want to go home!

- **40 Hour Famine Sleep-Over**
- **Mother Daughter Camp**
- **Surge Winter Camp**
- **Father Son Camp**
- **XTend Camp**
- **Eastercamp**
- **Amped Camp**



Staff

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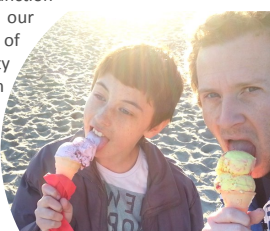
Linda Hampton

Rick Mardon

Scott Pickering

5. Mentoring

Sometimes we work with the hundreds, sometimes we work in small groups, but some young people need that little bit of extra support, and that's when we work one-on-one in a mentoring capacity. Some young people are referred through parents, or our existing programmes, and others come through a partnership agreement we have with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Christchurch. The sad stories we often hear about neglect, abuse, self-abuse and family dysfunction are briefly forgotten when our mentors devote time, words of encouragement, stability and reliability on them through the fun (& often tasty) activities!



6. Library Youthwork Support

New Brighton Library is the only local place that anyone can hang-out nearly anytime - 7 days a week. The local young people go there - and we think this is a good place for our youthworkers to be too - 7 days a week! Our youthworkers are there everyday after school and on weekends, chatting to young people, playing games, helping with homework and mediating any conflict. These positive relational roles have replaced the old security guards. In the school holidays they organise free activities everyday for local young people who often

hang-out at the library a lot and may not do the traditional family holiday activities you may expect.

- **Daily Youthworkers**
- **Holiday Activities**



Funding

Without the support of these amazing funders - none of this work would have been possible! From the young people and families we serve - **Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!**



7. Community Events

We love working with other groups to put together bigger events, and we co-coordinate many of these through the year. From a Roller Skate Disco for all our local intermediates, to Youth Formals for local teens, to Community Family Fun Days attracting thousands of people, such as I Love New Brighton. These are only possible with the time our staff can put into the preparation, and the MANY event volunteers we can draft from our regular events - thanks!

- **Thomson Park Skate Jam**
- **Beauty & The Geek Ball**
- **I Love New Brighton**
- **EPIC Sk8 Disco**
- **Guys Day Out**
- **EPIC Dance Party**
- **Zombie Apocalypse**



8. Youthworker Training and Support

One of our greatest successes is the amount of young people who have been through our programmes as young people, then go onto become leaders of other programmes! Their whole attitude changes, from being "what can I get out of this" to "what can I give to this" and we have over 45 weekly volunteers - half of whom are still teenagers! They learn through practical service, team meetings, training events and from our staff and other more experienced

youthworkers. All our staff and volunteers are police checked, and attend regular training. Our long serving staff have worked hard through tough times in Christchurch, and were rewarded with a special West Coast retreat from an earthquake support fund.



2014 Account Info

Trading Income		Expenses	
Grants	\$223,894	Salaries & Wages	\$261,435
Contracts	\$72,289	Programme Costs	\$59,354
Fees	\$51,764	Training	\$21,983
Church Donation	\$21,198	Accounting	\$9,162
Friends of YAT	\$9,916	Administration	\$8,570
Fundraising	\$4,990	Motor Vehicles	\$5,230
Foundation	\$19,243	Foundation	\$18,620
Misc	\$994	Depreciation	\$14,717
Total	\$404,288	Total	\$399,071