

# Youth Alive TRUST

Building Bright Futures with Young People in East Christchurch since 1989



Autumn Newsletter 2017

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vineyard church

## Raising Community Leaders...



Little did they expect... when they turned up for a nights entertainment, hanging with their friends, being cheeky to the leaders, enjoying a holiday programme or sneaking around camp, that one day....they'd be the ones leading the programmes!

We're soooo proud to have 40+ leaders every week and over 30 of them are teenagers themselves. We train, encourage and support them - but the practical experience of running a game, explaining an activity, dealing with conflict and working as a team is helping create leaders that will change schools, families, communities and the world!

## Eastside Rangatahi Youth Ball 2017...

160 young people from a number of youth agencies from all over the east of Christchurch, came together for the first ever Eastside Rangatahi Youth Ball at New Brighton Club. The event was organised to strengthen the Eastside Youth Workers network and also celebrate and build new friendships amongst young people and included a three course meal, photobooth, DJ, games and a chance to hear about what support each agency offers to the east. The event was partially funded by the Christchurch Earthquake Appeal Trust through the Strengthening the Youth Sector project, and organised by Youth Alive Trust, St John of God Waipuna, Youthtown Christchurch, White Elephant Trust and Strengthening Linwood Youth Trust.



*"You have so many great leaders and role models! The website is fantastic. You have good communication and systems in place to keep our kids safe while having fun doing heaps of awesome activities. I think you do an amazing job and I hope the kids show their appreciation and respect for the privilege. Thank you"*

Recent Feedback from a Parent

[www.yat.org.nz](http://www.yat.org.nz)



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# Recent Highlights...

## Amplify Music



Our tutors now teach 120 students every week, in school and in our newly renovated music rooms.

## Holiday Activities



Summer holidays were super busy running 3 holiday programmes for 220 kids, a teen camp & library activities.

## I Love New Brighton



25 of our volunteers helped run the annual I Love New Brighton event on Waitangi Day, for over 5000 people.

## Teen Camp



Our summer teen camp enjoyed the sunshine at Okains Bay and Akaroa in their tents.

## Parenting Seminars



Over 100 mums and what sounded like 100 babies attended the Brainwave Trust seminar we recently hosted.

## 3x3 Basketball



Our annual outdoor Basketball tournament attracted 10 teams from various eastside schools.

## Raising \$50,000...

In November 2016, we launched a campaign to raise \$50,000 for operational costs - this is the expected shortfall in our 2017 budget after earthquake related grants have dried up. We're stoked that \$39,000 has been given or pledged so far! That leaves a shortfall of just \$11,000. If just 21 people gave \$10 a week, we'd meet our target! Flick us an email at 'office@yat.org.nz' for more details.

## Thanks to our Funders...



## How can I help ?

- I'm keen to volunteer and would like to chat to someone about the different options
- I'd like to give regular donations and become a 'Friend of Youth Alive Trust' (Bank Account: ANZ - 117892-0066444-00)
- I'd like to give a one-off donation towards finishing the building renovations (Bank Account: ANZ - 117892-0066444-00)
- I'm interested in discussing how my business can partner with you
- Please send me information about how to leave an eastside legacy by including Youth Alive Trust in my Will