



ACT Government

2002-2003 BUDGET

EXTRA SUPPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE OF BELCONNEN

The ACT Labor Government has committed \$554,000 over the next four years to support young people living in the northern and western suburbs of Belconnen.

Young people generally have limited transport options and financial resources, so the location of services becomes critically important for them to access the range of services they require to participate fully in community activities.

Mr Corbell said “There is a real need for more services for young people in the northern and western suburbs of Belconnen. The outreach program will supplement and strengthen service delivery to youth in the area and aims to reduce anti-social behaviour and prevent family breakdown through the provision of flexible and responsive services, including case management.”

Some support services will be offered on an individual basis, whilst a range of family and community building initiatives will be provided to both large and small groups. The service will develop strong cross agency links through the establishment of a cross agency reference group.

“I have a strong commitment to seeing that we have the programs in place that will encourage all our young people to make successes of their lives – to strive for their goals and to give them the strengths they need to attain them. I want to continue to build on the strengths of our young people,” Mr Corbell said.

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