YOUTHTOWN
The place for physical, social and creative experiences

THE GoodNEWS

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A GOOD YEAR

When we start counting down the days rather than weeks until Christmas, we know the year is rapidly coming to a close. It is the perfect time to look back and reflect on some of the highlights of another year gone by.

We welcomed two new branches to the Youthtown family in 2010 – Youthtown North Shore in Auckland and Youthtown Oamaru in the South Island. Plans are now on track to recommence operations in Greymouth as well as establish a new Youthtown branch in Christchurch in early 2011.

Despite the ongoing economic slump, Youthtown has continued to attract excellent numbers across all our programmes. Over the last three months we have seen an average of over 10,250 young people be actively involved with Youthtown programmes in at least one of our ten branches nationwide. This is a credit to the staff involved in planning and running these activities, events and camps. It also shows our team is listening to what young people want by providing a range of engaging, safe and enjoyable programmes kids and teenagers genuinely want to be part of.

My sincere thanks to all of you who continue to support Youthtown. It is this support and positive feedback that motivates our staff to continually look for innovative ways to inspire young New Zealanders. I am confident 2011 will be just as challenging as this year has been, but with your ongoing support Youthtown will be in an excellent position to continue meeting the needs of young people throughout the country.

On behalf of Youthtown, I wish you a fun-filled, enjoyable and relaxing summer. All the very best for the upcoming festive season and we look forward to seeing you again in 2011.

Keith Thorpe
Chief Executive

SUMMER CAMP APPEAL

Give them FUN in the SUN!

In today's fast-paced and ever-changing world, teens are constantly confronted with new and unfamiliar issues. Parents often struggle to identify the catalysts behind these problems or develop strategies to keep their teens feeling positive and motivated.

Effective youth work has the potential to empower and enhance the life of young people, their significant others and their communities. Youthtown's camps are not only motivational; they build self esteem and relationships that can inspire positive change in the life of any young person.

Every year, we are approached by families with enquiries as to whether there are subsidised places at our camps. We hate having to say no, because the children of these families are often the ones who can benefit most from the experience.

That's where you can help.

By sponsoring a young person on these camps you will be investing in their future, as camps help develop a sense of confidence and control over their lives.

Just $600 can make a significant impact.
There's no room for boredom in Whananaki, Northland. Surrounded by stunning beaches, this five day camp is action-packed full of fun and motivating team activities.
Led by our specially trained outdoor instructors, who are certified by the New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association (NZOIA), campers can take full advantage of the sun and surf with blo-karting, windsurfing, boogie boarding, horse riding, sailing, burma trails, kayaking, caving, fishing, knee boarding and sea biscuiting all on offer! It's an experience they'll carry with them long after the last nature hike, sing along or camp fire.
Like all Youthtown programmes, our camps are designed to inspire young people to realise their potential through physical, social and creative experiences.
Help us ignite the difference we wish to see in our youth by sponsoring a camp placement today.
Please complete the attached donation form and send it back to us. Alternatively, you can donate online at www.youthtown.org.nz/sendakid.html.

A very merry christmas to you all.

Yours Truly
Greg Weller
Business Development Manager

SEND A KID TO CAMP BY FILLING IN THE APPLICATION FORM BELOW

CAMP DONATION FORM

MY DETAILS

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Email _____

All gifts will be receipted and acknowledged in the Annual Review. Please tick if you wish to remain anonymous. ☐

I would like to receive information on leaving a gift to Youthtown in my will. ☐

I WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR

☐ 1 kid ($600) ☐ 2 kids ($1,200) ☐ 3 kids ($1,800)

☐ Camp Donation $ _____

PAYMENT DETAILS

☐ Cheque for $ _____ is enclosed
(Please make payable to Youthtown Foundation)
☐ Please charge $ _____ to my credit card
☐ Visa ☐ Bankcard
☐ American Express ☐ Master Card
Name on card
_____ Exp ___/___
Signature _____
Card number
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Sian Neary,
Programme Director

Resourcing Youthtown

How you can get involved

Each year Youthtown continues to fulfil its purpose of inspiring Young New Zealanders to realise their full potential through physical, social and creative experiences.

We are currently undertaking some research to strengthen our Youth Development programmes. The aim is to connect with even more young people by strengthening our existing line-up of activities, events and camps.

Without people like you helping us, the Youthtown team could not help as many young people as we do today – an average of more than 3,360 young people every week and 175,000 each year!

How you can get involved and help our Youthtown programmes grow:

DONATE

Donations go a long way at Youthtown. As our organisation expands throughout the country, it is the money from businesses and individuals that keeps our programmes and facilities ticking along. There are a range of donation options available to help young New Zealander keep reaching their potential.

www.youthtown.org.nz/donations.html
OR complete the donation form below and post to Youthtown

BEQUEST

When creating or updating your will you need to decide how you wish to distribute your assets. While family and dependents generally come first, more and more people are now choosing a charity to receive a certain percentage of the residue of their estate.

The Youthtown Foundation has been established to receive and manage bequests. Its prime function is to manage the distribution of funds to Youthtown.

The Youthtown Foundation manages the capital (i.e. the pool of bequests) and pays out interest earned to Youthtown Inc. The Youthtown Foundation never touches this capital which means your bequest remains as interest earning capital. Your bequest will continue to generate funds for Youthtown for decades (even centuries) after your death, allowing more Young people to experience Youthtown programmes.

www.youthtown.org.nz/bequests.html
OR contact Greg Weller, Business Development Manager (09 379 5430 ext 813

VOLUNTEER

People are the lifeblood of Youthtown. Even though we're incredibly lucky to have a dedicated team of paid and unpaid staff, there's always room for more hands on deck!

If you've got an interest in youth development or just want to do something great, get in touch! Youthtown has a need for volunteers across a number of areas.

www.youthtown.org.nz/volunteers.html

RECOMMEND YOUTHTOWN TO OTHERS

Youthtown has been caring for youth since 1932. By recommending our people, centers and programmes to your friends and families, you help our organisation engage with ever - expanding numbers of kids and youth.

YOUTHTOWN PROGRAMMES

AFTER SCHOOL

ART

YOUTH

HOLIDAYS

OUTDOORS

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GENERAL DONATION FORM

MY GIFT TO YOUTHTOWN IS

- ☐ $10,000 ☐ $1,000 ☐ $500
- ☐ $250 ☐ $100 ☐ $50
- ☐ $20 ☐ $10 ☐ Other $ _____

PAYMENT DETAILS

- ☐ Cheque for $ _____ is enclosed
  (Please make payable to Youthtown Foundation)
- ☐ Please charge $ _____ to my credit card
- ☐ Visa ☐ Bankcard
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Name on card
_____ Exp ___/___

Signature _____

Card number
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