

THE NOVUS FOUNDATION

investing in our youth

2014 BENEFICIARIES:

- KYDS • StreetWork • Achieve Australia
- Open Heart International
- Rotary Club of Wahroonga Youth Projects

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a partnership of:



With your help, in 2014 the Novus Foundation will have raised over

\$1,000,000

to help our young Shooting Stars Shine Brighter and Soar Higher.

Please join us at the

2014 Shooting Stars Gala Dinner

In support of

- KYDS
- StreetWork
- Rotary Club of Wahroonga Youth Projects
- Achieve Australia
- Open Heart International

Saturday May 31st 2014

7:00pm for 7:30pm

Miramare Gardens

289 Mona Vale Rd, Terrey Hills

(entry via 48 Myoora Road)

Dress: Formal, with a touch of starlight!

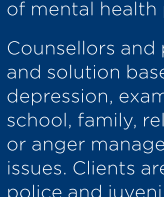
Tickets \$160 per person

Sponsorship packages (including a table of 10) available

• \$22,000 • \$11,000 • \$5500 • \$3300

Information or tickets at www.novusfoundation.org.au

or email enquiries@novusfoundation.org.au



The Novus Foundation was formed in 2006, a collaboration between the Rotary Club of Wahroonga, Sydney Adventist Hospital and The McCarroll Automotive Group.

These organisations came together with the intention of developing and supporting projects based in the districts of Hornsby and Kur-ring-gai directed at the welfare of youth.

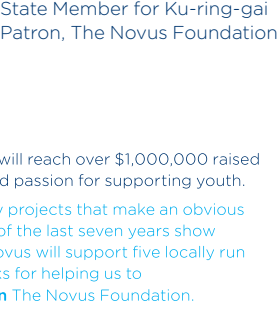
The continuing goal of the Novus Foundation is to support projects and organisations that are investing in youth primarily through mentoring, education and health. The work of these groups allow young people, particularly those at risk, the opportunity to realise their full potential.

Investing in youth now will build a better future for individuals and better communities for us all.

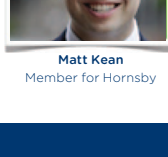
This year, at our eighth annual gala dinner, the Novus Foundation will reach over \$1,000,000 raised for a variety of different organisations who share similar values and passion for supporting youth.

"We always shared a vision that we wanted to support community projects that make an obvious difference to kids... so it's very rewarding that the Novus projects of the last seven years show positive, measurable impacts on young people's lives. In 2014, Novus will support five locally run organisations that will help young people here and overseas. Thanks for helping us to build a better future for our youth." - **Phil McCarroll AM, Chairman** The Novus Foundation.

The Novus Foundation Ambassadors:



NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell
State Member for Ku-ring-gai
Patron, The Novus Foundation



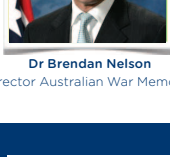
Matt Kean
Member for Hornsby



Nick Farr Jones
Former Australian Rugby Captain



Caroline Pemberton
Former Miss World Australia



Dr Brendan Nelson
Director Australian War Memorial

KYDS www.kyds.com.au



Established in 2005, KYDS is a free North Shore counselling service providing responsive, people 11 - 18 years of counselling and mental health support for people 11 - 18 years of age, and (where appropriate) their parents and / or other family members.

KYDS was established because of the growing incidence of mental health problems in young people.

Counsellors and psychologists use cognitive behaviour and solution based therapy to help young people with depression, exam or other anxiety, drug and alcohol, school, family, relationship or bullying problems, or anger management, self esteem and body image issues. Clients are referred by peers, parents, counsellors, police and juvenile justice, or GP's under the Access to Allied Psychosocial Services Scheme.

KYDS complements local hospital and community Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services.

It also provides parent education forums and group programs for young women, and for teenagers with parents affected by mental illness.

KYDS existence is challenged by limited funding, growing needs, and how to complement other public and private sector services. In 2014, funds raised through the Novus Foundation will support the roll-out and expansion of KYDS newest youth and community and education program.



The Rotary Club of Wahroonga



The Rotary Club of Wahroonga has a strong track record in supporting and investing in projects and programmes mentoring and supporting youth. Wahroonga Rotary provides over \$30,000 each year to specific youth projects with most of these being paid for by the funds from The Novus Foundation.

These include a weekend Youth Leadership course (RYPEN) for year 10 students, a week-long course for 18 to 28 year old existing Youth leaders (RYLA). These two Rotary District programs are part of an annual \$100,000 District investment in Youth Leadership where all costs are paid by Rotary for the 200 participants.

In partnership with Family NSW we support an Indigenous project, Our Kids Our Mob, which focuses on Aboriginal children up to age 8, building their understanding of Indigenous culture in partnership with their families. The aim is to keep these children aware of their heritage.

Other Youth projects supported by Rotay include:

PCYC Youth at Risk, ABBOX of FUN and Camp Hope.

www.wahroongarotary.org



SYDNEY ADVENTIST HOSPITAL, OPEN HEART INTERNATIONAL



Coordinated by Sydney Adventist Hospital, Open Heart International was established in 1985 to provide volunteer medical, nursing and allied health professionals for medical and surgical projects in developing countries, where men, women and children otherwise have restricted or no access to medical treatment.

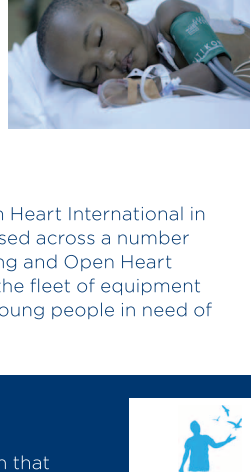
Today, hundreds of volunteers with extraordinary passion and commitment give freely of their time and expertise in multiple surgical specialties to provide hope to thousands living in developing countries. These patients dream of the quality healthcare that we sometimes take for granted here in Australia

Open Heart International are currently working in 8 countries, undertaking approximately 11 project visits per year.

To date over 4,000 patients have received life changing surgery, and in excess of 1,500 individuals have given their time and expertise, with projects implemented in 13 countries.

The ultimate goal is to train medical staff in those countries to be self-sufficient. This is not necessarily an easy, simple or quick solution, thus the long-term commitment and approach taken to its projects.

The Novus Foundation is proud to again be supporting Open Heart International in 2014. The funds will be invested in capital equipment to be used across a number of existing projects. Medical technology is constantly evolving and Open Heart International needs to be continually investing in upgrading the fleet of equipment owned, in order to continue transforming the lives of these young people in need of basic medical care.



STREETWORK



StreetWork is a not-for-profit, community based organisation that focuses on prevention and early intervention strategies for 'at risk' youth. Operating in Chatswood and surrounding Northern Sydney suburbs since 1980, it has a proven history of positive, tangible results for youth at risk through early intervention programs.

StreetWork engages with communities to provide the foundation and support to identify those young people who need help to them get themselves back on track. It aims to help troubled young people aged between 11 - 18 affected by crime, violence, destructive family relationships, rejections and isolation, homelessness, learning difficulties, truancy, poor employment opportunities and substance abuse, to change their life's trajectory. This is achieved by redirecting young people through positive role modelling, mentoring and practical support towards more positive and fulfilling choices for their lives.

Novus funding will continue to be used to support the KickStart Mentoring Program which is at the core of StreetWork's services. Youth mentors engage in a trusted one-on-one relationship building trust. The outcome delivered through this program is to change the life trajectory of youth at risk. As problematic young people are provided and guided through positive and productive opportunities, other anti-social behaviours like crime will decrease.

www.streetwork.org.au



ACHIEVE AUSTRALIA



Achieve Australia supports more than 80 people with disability to learn new skills, connect with communities and continue their passions and interests through its Day Services, promoting independence and community participation. Based in the Araluen Homestead in Epping, Achieve has doubled its day service options and offer up close to 60 different program options, from sailing to computer studies and volunteering to music composition

Not all youth with disability are provided with funding to access interactive or technical training to develop their communication skills. Being unable to communicate effectively with the community often leads to social isolation, affecting wellbeing and personal relationships.

Funds received in 2014 through the Novus Foundation will be used to support a new Inclusive, Interactive and Augmentative training program for young adults with disabilities. The aim of the program is to teach the participating youth to use technology for improved communication, removing barriers towards independence and inclusion.

www.achieveaustralia.org.au

