

About the Yhunger program...



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Train the trainer model to build youth services capacity in policies & practices for food security, nutrition and physical activity

Designed specifically for

- 1. young people, 12-25 years old, at risk/experiencing homelessness,
- **2. youth workers** in homelessness services, drop in/youth centres, youth health, alternative education, OOHC, disability services, mental health

Yhunger kit & 1 day training workshop with SWSLHD & Yfoundations

Over the years, the program has been supported by various funding/grants

Small grants & support for workshop participants (SESLHD, NSLHD and SLHD)





"You have to eat to survive and sometimes you have to fight to survive"

- o 70% respondents food insecure; 40% very food insecure
- 88% of young people in independent living were food insecure
- 68% living in supported accommodation were food insecure

These food insecurity rates are 10 x more than the Australian population (5.2%)

"I think it's good to be independent,
cause it gives you confidence in life to be able to move on.
To be able to face the world and not be afraid of it.
To go on and do what you want"

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Pizza box of fact sheets, activities, policy guides & easy recipes





This game is making me yhungry



Training workshops (2015-2016)

o12 one day workshops across Metro Sydney over 6 months, after piloting in Northern NSW

- ⇒ The workshops reached **180 youth workers from 120 services**
- ⇒ Potential reach of **10,000 marginalised young people**

098% of respondents would recommend the Yhunger training to colleagues



... "Thank you so much, I have learnt a lot and sparked ideas on how I can work to improve program delivery"

