



Lord Mayor's Community Trust

Supporting Brisbane's Charities

Homeless to get formal qualifications

Teenagers at risk of homelessness could scoop scholarships in Certificate IV Youth Work, thanks to a \$40,000 boost from the Lord Mayor's Community Trust.

Lady Mayoress Lisa Newman will present Kelvin Grove based outreach charity Teen Challenge with a donation for its Youth Scholarships for Young Homeless People.

"These scholarships are an amazing head start in life for young people aged between 18 and 25 years," the Lady Mayoress said.

"The Teen Challenge courses will give them the chance to pursue a vocation in the Youth Sector by gaining formal qualifications in Youth Work.

"The Trust is proud to support Teen Challenge which supports young people affected by homelessness, drug dependency and other life controlling problems through crisis accommodation and residential rehabilitation."

Mrs Newman said Teen Challenge also provided job training for young people to assist them in securing employment.

"They are experienced in providing training in things such as how to write a resume, how to apply for a job, how to approach an interview and how to maintain employment.

The Lady Mayoress said each year the Lord Mayor's Community Trust allocated major grants to Brisbane's charities.

"We focus particularly on prevention and support services for people who are homeless, suffering mental illness, disability, or those with a history of substance abuse or history of trauma," she said.

"Our major grant giving program is all about seeking out smaller charities that are doing amazing work to directly help people in need, and committing to supporting them through the donation of major sums of money."

This is the second grant from the LMCT to support this scholarship program

Open Day and Cheque Presentation

Where: Teen Challenge 300 Kelvin Grove Road

When: Mon, 15th June 2009

Time: 2pm

[Ends] June 12, 2009