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Vinnies WA Youth Engagement Program

How to get involved

To learn more visit
vinnies.org.au/wa/get-involved/youth-and-schools-wa

1 Presentations and Workshops

Invite a member of the Youth Engagement team to speak with your students.

Choose from a range of interactive activities, programs and workshops designed for schools wanting to expand their students' understanding of poverty and homelessness, and develop an understanding of how to engage.

2 Young Vinnies and Mini Vinnies

In-school social justice groups bring together students wanting to become leaders, advocates, and volunteers within their school and local communities.

Run and delivered by school staff, groups are supported by Vinnies WA through flexible activities and engagement opportunities throughout the year.

3 School Sleepout

A national initiative to give students a small glimpse into the realities of homelessness by 'sleeping rough' for a night.

Both full overnight and shortened sleepouts are encouraged, offering appropriate and flexible opportunities for all students and schools.

4 Appeals and Fundraisers

Raise critical funds or resources for those most vulnerable in our communities. Organise as part of our Winter or Christmas Appeals, or at a meaningful time in your school calendar.

5 Excursions with a Purpose

Choose from existing volunteering opportunities for students aged 15+ or connect with the Youth team to find an opportunity that works with your school and our program needs.

Information for Schools
Youth Engagement Program

What is Vinnies WA Youth Engagement?

The Youth Engagement program works with schools and students to spread the work and the values of the Society to young people in WA.

We aim to educate and encourage a new generation of passionate, caring, and social justice minded community members.

Why should schools engage?

By encouraging staff and students to get involved in a way that suits your school community, you will be building their capacity to raise awareness about important issues, to fight for social justice, and to be proactive in recognising and meeting community needs.

Being involved in Vinnies can also allow students to apply the skills they are discovering and developing while they study.

What support is available?

Our Youth Engagement Team is here to support and facilitate your students' learning and engagement with Vinnies.

We can assist by providing you with resources, connecting you to your school's local Vinnies Conference, offering support to staff, and running presentations and workshops.

How can schools learn more about the Youth Engagement Program?

The Youth Engagement team is available to meet in person or virtually to answer questions, discuss the program, and support with planning.

Please reach out to **youth@svdpwa.org.au** if you would like to arrange a meeting.

For more information or to register your interest, please reach out:

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