

# New youth support initiative introduced in Central Australia

## ▶ 24/7 YORET HUB DROP-IN CENTRE OPENING HOURS

Territory Families, Housing and Communities' Youth Outreach and Re-Engagement Teams (YORET) provide voluntary and statutory outreach case management services for young people at risk of, or involved in, offending behaviours.

The model is about one-on-one engagement and relationship development with young people and their families to help identify when a young person is at risk of becoming involved in the youth justice system and working with them and their families to provide support and interventions that meet individual needs. Youth Outreach and Re-Engagement Officers (YOREOs) also provide outreach at night to engage with young people in public places to encourage safe behaviours.

### What is changing?

Territory Families, Housing and Communities is trialling expanded hours at the Alice Springs YORET Hub drop-in centre.

In the initial stages of the trial, the YORET Hub will be open 24 hours on Fridays and Saturdays. Young people can attend the centre at 2 Railway Terrace between these times:

#### Monday - Thursday

opens 8am each day  
closes 4:21pm each day

#### Friday - Sunday

continuously open  
open from 8am Friday until 6pm Sunday

From 17 December, the YORET Hub will be open 24 hours, seven days a week.

### What's on offer?

The YORET Hub is committed to engaging at-risk young people in constructive and pro-social activities. The drop-in centre provides young people with somewhere they can socialise that is safe and supervised, particularly in the evening.

YOREOs will coordinate sport and active recreation activities at the centre in the early evening. More passive activities, such as movies and reading, are scheduled for later. Sleeping facilities are not provided.

For more information go to  
[youthjustice.nt.gov.au](http://youthjustice.nt.gov.au)

# New youth support initiative introduced in Central Australia

## ▶ 24/7 YORET HUB DROP-IN CENTRE OPENING HOURS

### Who can attend?

The service is open to all young people aged 10-17 years. They do not need to be accessing voluntary and statutory case management support as part of the YORET program to use the drop-in centre.

### What supervision will be in place?

Young people will be supervised by YOREOs at all times. These staff members are trained in youth outreach and engagement practices with at-risk youth.

### Will young people be transported home?

If there are still young people at the centre who haven't left for the night, staff will help transport them home using the Tangentyere Council's drop off services.

If home is not a safe place, YOREOs and Tangentyere night patrol will work with young people to secure an appropriate placement. If this is not possible, they will work to find emergency accommodation for the young person.

### When can I find out more information?

We have more information about our youth justice initiatives online: [youthjustice.nt.gov.au](http://youthjustice.nt.gov.au)

To get in contact with the Alice Springs local YORET office, you can email [TFHCYouth.OutreachSouthernRegion@nt.gov.au](mailto:TFHCYouth.OutreachSouthernRegion@nt.gov.au)

For more information go to [youthjustice.nt.gov.au](http://youthjustice.nt.gov.au)