

MDA Get on Track is MDA's Get Set for Work Program for young people from a refugee and migrant background. MDA is now preparing to deliver its second Get on Track program intake for 2011 and looks forward to your referrals and support! The next intake will commence on July 18th, 2011. Please find attached our program brochure, flyer and expression of interest form, or read on for some additional information. Don't hesitate to share this email through your contact networks.

Our Mission

The aim of MDA Get on Track is simple - it is our mission that by the end of our 18 week program, all young participants will have found a job (or have enrolled in vocational training) and will have formed a real plan of action for their future. Get on Track is all about supporting young people into fulltime employment or training.

How do we achieve this?

Get on Track will help young people to build the skills, knowledge and self-confidence they need to get work. By taking part in the program, participants will;

- Explore training and work options for their future and **build a career plan**
- Gain a strong understanding of what employers want and **build up the skills that employers need**
- Build a **resume and portfolio** that will help them to stand out of the crowd
- Practice a variety of **job search techniques**
- Learn how to **sell themselves** to employers
- Undertake 8 weeks of accredited **training and work experience in retail** (at no cost)

Young people will learn the above by putting it to practice. The program is about **learning by doing**.

Participants will also get to **make new friends** and participate in lots of **fun activities**. MDA Get on Track is delivered in a friendly setting, and includes a mix of hands-on group activities (including excursions), practical training sessions and individual one-on-one support..

Who are we looking for?

Young people (aged 15-19 years old) who:

- Are from a migrant or refugee background
- Live in a suburb on Brisbane's inner-Southside
- Are not currently engaged in education, training or employment

Most importantly, we are looking for the **right attitude** – young people who are willing to commit to the program and who are prepared to invest some energy into their own development.

Program delivery

The next intake commences on July 18th, 2011 and runs over 18 consecutive weeks, concluding on November 18th, 2011. The focus of the July intake is retail, including accredited training in selected units of competency from the Certificate II in Retail (SIR20107).

Contact details

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