

MEDIA RELEASE

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## FUN EVENT CELEBRATES LOCAL YOUTH

April 8 – 17 is National Youth Week (NYW), a time to celebrate the achievements and contribution to community made by youth across Australia.

Interchange Outer East (IOE) will again be marking the occasion with a FREE day of fun, action and entertainment for all local youth. The event 'YOUth be HEARd' will be held at Kings Park, Willow Road Upper Ferntree Gully on Friday 8 April from 10.30am – 3pm.

The culture of valuing youth's contribution through volunteering has always been strong at IOE, where a large group of mainly young volunteers support children with disabilities on a range of recreational programs.

A team of these young volunteers has organised the event which will feature live music, plus plenty of fun and activities, including a game of Amazeball soccer from 12 noon – 1pm. There will also be information available on issues affecting youth, in particular mental health with information from Headspace, Beyond Blue and other organisations.

This is a drug and alcohol free family friendly event. It has been made possible through funding from DHHS National Youth Week and Knox Community Grant Programs and Australian Finance and Property Solutions.

Register interest via facebook at bit.ly/youthbeheard or call 9758 5522 for more information.

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