

TURANA YOUTH TRAINING CENTRESTATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY & OBJECTIVESPHILOSOPHY:

- Personal attitudes can be changed within a permissive but controlled environment. The internal changes cannot be forced but can grow through sympathetic (empathetic) intervention of, and interaction with, mature adults.
- That in some way, albeit in an anti-social manner, the offender is searching for self-fulfillment. His often distorted views about society can be a serious handicap in his efforts to live in a socially acceptable manner.
- People develop as they interact with others - as they become aware of the needs and rights of others and are able to adjust their own behavior accordingly.
- Personal fulfillment is related to social maturity and social responsibility, which inevitably means co-existing with authority in the community.

GOALS & OBJECTIVEST U R A N A Y.T.C.Key Objectives:

The purposeful detention of Wards, Remandees and youths under sentence or order in a humane and caring environment that can assist with their developmental needs and conflict resolution.

General Objectives:

1. To create a positive, supportive environment which is able to encourage growth and development in the individual client.
2. To develop in conjunction with the Education Centre, vocational, educational, social and recreational programmes which will enhance the skills and knowledge of young people.
3. To provide specific programme inputs to overcome problems created by alcohol and/or substance abuse.
4. To provide programmes aimed at increasing self awareness, to develop advice systems (advocacy and rights) which ensure the smooth and efficient functioning of the organisation to maximise benefits for clients and staff.
5. To ensure clients have maximum access to support services during their detention and at release. (i.e. Employment Services, Legal Aid, Community Services, Vocational Guidance, Health, Welfare Services and Religious Services)
6. To develop relevant classification procedures to ensure each individual client is assessed and placed in the most appropriate setting to meet his needs.
7. To maximise the opportunities for staff at all levels to develop their skills both by formal and in-service training as appropriate.
8. To encourage and support youth officer staff to develop and participate in all levels of programming in order to maximise the benefits for clients.
9. To continue to develop plans for the upgrade of all facilities at Turana with particular emphasis on the new security units.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVESU N I T 1 0

- * To provide 'open' short-term accommodation for trainees and some Wards of State.
- * To develop a specifically tailored, and meaningful community re-integration programs aimed at the needs of the client.
- * To provide opportunities for participation in community Early Release programs (i.e. work release).
- * To provide the highest standards of appropriate services in the various fields of community supervision and support.
- * To actively foster an ongoing interface between the institution and regional authorities.
- * To provide maximum support, guidance and encouragement.

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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVESCOOLABAH CENTRE

- * To foster satisfaction in Achievement based on individual and group needs through both institutional and community based programs.
- * To encourage the development and maintenance of family based relationships.
- * To provide an environment, and opportunities for change, personal growth and development.
- * To provide, in conjunction with Education staff, a sound constructed program based that encompasses Education, Sport & Recreation, section and community based activities.
- * To encourage responsibility and self awareness in trainees through active participation.
- * To minimise the development of delinquent counter-culture and understand and cope with factors leading to it.
- * To prepare for eventual re-intergration into the general community.
- * To foster meaningful and professional relationships between trainees and allocated Executive Officers.
- * To identify and assist with social skills development based on individual client needs.

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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVESCLASS A

- * To receive trainees (deemed to be adults by virtue of their age)(17 - 21) and relative maturity (some 16 yo's) in order that they be classified to an Adult YTC placement.
- * To classify trainees to an appropriate placement having regard to the nature of their offences, length of sentence and apparent social, personal and legal needs.
- * To act as a placement for those trainees requiring short-term accommodation by virtue of their length of sentence.
- * To act as a transition centre for both newly admitted trainees and those already placed in the Adult YTC system.
- * To assist in the integration of trainees into the YTC system, having regard to relevant antecedents and future options.
- * To provide trainees with information about the Adult YTC system and their potential placement options.
- * To provide trainees with access to relevant bodies and supports such as legal aid, community services, medical services, family, friends etc.
- * To provide meaningful short-term activities and programs in conjunction with the Education Centre.
- * To provide support, guidance and encouragement appropriate to the needs of young adults.

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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVESA C H E R O N

- * To receive trainees classified by the Adult Classification system.
- * To encourage trainees to actively participate in work-based programs provided by the Centre.
- * To provide trainees with access to relevant bodies and supports such as legal aid, community services, medical services, family, friends, etc.
- * To foster a sense of independence and responsibility in trainees, afforded by the structure of the program.
- * To be involved in on-going monitoring of the appropriateness of weekend leave placements for trainees participating in the program.
- * To assess trainees based in Class A in terms of their suitability for the programs and to liaise with the Chairperson of Class A over such matters.
- * To provide support, guidance and encouragement appropriate to the needs of young adults.

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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVESASSESSMENT

- * To receive recidivist remandees, new trainees and some Wards and assist in the settling process.
- * To examine circumstances of placement in custody, collect and make available all relevant information.
- * To classify to appropriate placement within Turana having due regard to all legal, personal and social circumstances.
- * To provide support, guidance and encouragement.
- * To advise on specific (identified) personal issues requiring program intervention (i.e. drug & alcohol abuse, sexual abuse, etc.)
- * To provide meaningful short-term programs that will assist in the settling process and maximise appropriate time consumption.

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SPECIFIC OBJECTIVESPOPLAR HOUSE

- * To provide the most secure available accommodation.
- * To foster personal development through group and individual programs/activities.
- * To encourage family interaction through visits and progress reports.
- * To encourage participation in Education, Trade/Hobby programs & sports/activities.
- * To prepare for (where appropriate) eventual progress relocation to less secure environment.

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