

Ethical Leadership Program



Crime Stoppers WA, the Edmund Rice Centre WA and Edith Cowan University developed an Ethical Leadership program for young and emerging leaders in culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD) communities.

The aim of the program is to:

Empower young leaders to find their voice and influence cultural mindsets that encourage the concealment of criminal activity. This is achieved by providing young leaders with knowledge, and a safe and appropriate platform for the expression of their message.

Edmund Rice Centre WA

- The Edmund Rice Centre WA has a proud history and an on-going commitment to assisting people from refugee and migrant backgrounds, as well as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- Their Youth Services include Leadership Programs, launched in 2006, which include moral/ethical leadership.
- Joe Moniodis, Youth Services Manager and Viola Abi (CSWA Board Director), assisted with raising awareness among emerging communities of the role of Crime Stoppers and our safe & anonymous reporting service.

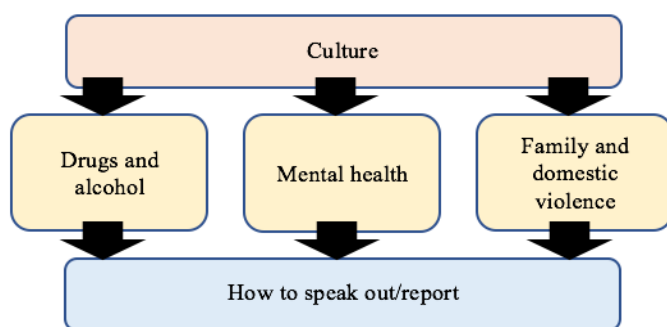
Edith Cowan University

- Workshops conducted at their facilities free of charge through Pam Henry, Chair of CSWA and an Associate Professor and Director of the Sellenger Centre for research in Law, Justice and Social Change at the university.

Focus Groups / Workshops

Focus groups and workshops covered themes including:

- What issues are most relevant to young people and their families and communities?
- How are these issues dealt with in your community? What is the reason for the difference compared to other communities?
- What strategies could be used to address these issues?
- Who is going to find it difficult to deal with these issues and why? What can be done to protect them?
- What is the best way to train young people to address these issues with their peers and those younger than them?



- What is a good citizen and what does a good citizen do?
- Why report and where and how to report?
- Police presentations on issues of Domestic Violence, Drugs & Alcohol and Mental Health
- Group discussions to develop a group project plan

Community presentations

- Groups had their community presentations approved before going out to their communities.
- After a month or two of presenting to their communities, the participants reconvened to discuss lessons learnt etc.

Participant feedback:

- “The ethical leadership project is a really great program that has created the opportunity of being part of making a difference in own community and putting some of the hard issues faced into discussion.”
- “It's an opportunity for growth as a leader in my own community and being a voice while also being strongly supported by knowledgeable people.”