

Partner Update

March 2019

Ganbina - Agents of Change

Advancing Indigenous potential: six to 25 years old

One of the reasons why Ganbina participants consistently out-perform their peers across Australia is the fact that our program supports them, without a break, *throughout their crucial development years*. Ganbina is there for our young Indigenous people - *every step of the way in their education, training and employment journey* – empowering them to develop their full potential in life.

Amy Goonan and Shaneka Dooly are two of our long-standing participants who have seized many of the opportunities that Ganbina offers.

These young women enrolled in our JOBS4U2 program when they began high school. Today, they are both studying at university - something neither of them considered when they were younger.

We hope you enjoy reading more about Amy's and Shaneka's journeys, and the bright futures they are carving out for themselves, on page 2 of this newsletter.



Amy Goonan

The Ganbina program elements Continuous, holistic, long term

- One-on-one mentoring
- Special tuition & coaching
- Education scholarships
- Workplace & industry tours
- Career planning advice
- Personal development coaching
- Interstate & overseas learning trips
- Work experience opportunities
- Community & business networking programs
- Training & employment grants
- Culture & heritage courses
- Leadership training
- Professional driving tuition
- Awards & recognition programs



Shaneka Dooly



Shaneka (right) with her twin sister Missy on a Ganbina Year 8 Industry Tour in 2013.

Amy Goonan

Amy at Ganbina's Youth Achievement Awards in 2012.



- Primary School Scholarships: Grades 3-6
- JOBS4U2 Education program: Years 7-12
- Education Achievement Awards winner: 2012, 2013, 2014
- Leadership Program: 2013-2015
- Private tuition: 2014
- After-school jobs with Kmart: 2013-2016
- Driver Skills Program: 2014-2016
- University grants: 2016-2019

Twenty one year old Amy is studying for her Bachelor of Arts degree at Monash University in Melbourne. She is working three days a week as an Administration Assistant with Ganbina in Melbourne and she also has a part-time job with Crown Resorts.

“Ganbina’s been there supporting me for a really long time and I have really benefitted a lot from their ongoing support. I have gained so much confidence, learned so much more about my own culture and so much more about the world in general as a result. I’m very glad I became involved with them.”

Shaneka Dooly

- JOBS4U2 Education program: Years 7-12
- Education Achievement Awards winner: 2016, 2017
- After-school jobs with Coles: 2016, 2017
- Driver Skills Program: 2018-2019
- University grants: 2018-2019

Nineteen year old Shaneka has a Diploma of Health Science and is currently studying for her Bachelor of Social Human Services and a Master of Social Work at Latrobe University in Bendigo. She wants to get a job in family services when she graduates and give back to young Indigenous people.

“Ganbina gives you so much more than just financial assistance. It’s like a family environment and all the experiences I have had with them have been so valuable. Things like the excursions, and the industry tours, and help with an after school job, have all really brought me out of my shell and given me confidence in who I am and what I can do.

“I recommend Ganbina to everyone I know, I think they offer so much and it’s all so useful. My twin sister and lots of my cousins think it’s fantastic too.”

Jobs4U2 Funding Status

Jobs4U2 is the umbrella name for Ganbina’s school to work transition program activities. Every year, at least 80 per cent of all young people who enrol complete their program successfully.

Ganbina operates Australia’s most successful Indigenous school to work transition program. A registered charity, we are an independent organisation which is free from any political, religious or other affiliations. We rely entirely on support from philanthropic trusts, corporate partners and individual donors to carry out our work.

Program	Annual Cost	Funding Jan - Dec 2019 (red indicates shortfall)
Jobs Education Jobs Training Jobs Employment	\$885,591	\$215,591
Scholarships	\$189,530	\$40,530
Leadership Training	\$217,533	\$52,583
Driver Skills Program	\$20,000	\$20,000
Youth Achievement Awards	\$20,000	\$20,000
Operations	\$461,158	\$28,158

If you would like to invest in, or know more about Ganbina’s activities, please contact our CEO, Anthony Cavanagh, on 0428 217 332.