

Partner update

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Ganbina - Agents of Change



Paving the way for success

Providing financial assistance to help cover the cost of education and work expenses is one of the fundamental pillars of Ganbina's program.

It is a fact that many Indigenous children come from families who are severely disadvantaged due to generational unemployment and welfare dependency. In these families, finding money for basic essentials such as uniforms, books and computers is often simply not possible. Yet without them, young people struggle to fit in with their school mates or work colleagues. As a result, they start skipping school or not going to work - and so the cycle of disadvantage continues.

Ganbina's financial assistance program helps to eliminate this financial disadvantage, so that young Indigenous people can make the most of every opportunity they have to achieve their full potential.

“Ganbina has always been there for me personally and financially to help me complete my education and get a great job.” *Ganbina participant*

Primary & Secondary School Scholarships

- School & sports uniforms
- Books & stationery
- School camps & excursions
- Tutoring fees
- Computer equipment

Training Scholarships

- Course fees
- Accommodation
- Tutoring fees
- Clothes
- Transport

Employment Allowances

- Training fees
- Work related licences
- Work permits
- Work equipment & tools
- Work uniforms



Exploring the world of work

Helping young Indigenous people to understand the many possibilities open to them in the wider world of work is another very important pillar of Ganbina's program.

Coming from disadvantaged backgrounds, many have no role models to help them explore the myriad of career opportunities they have in many different employment sectors.

Every year, we run special Industry Tours for Years 7, 8 and 9 students, introducing them to different organisations and businesses in a wide variety of sectors such as health, finance, retail, manufacturing, hospitality and trades.

Pictured below are Ganbina participants on an Industry Tour of Goulburn Valley Health.

We also run Unique Experiences Tours every year for the Year 10-12 students on our three year Leadership Program. These interstate and overseas tours introduce young people to a range of new people, places and experiences to help them to broaden their outlook on life, gain independence and learn valuable life skills.

Our Year 10 Leadership Group visited Melbourne and Sydney this year. During their five day tour, they visited Ganbina's partners at ANZ, Australian Philanthropic Services, Bennelong Foundation, Chandler Macleod Group, Crown Resorts, Equip Super, Gandel Philanthropy, Leadership Victoria, Macquarie Foundation, and SPC to learn more about their organisations and what they do.

Our Year 10 Leadership Program participants are pictured below with staff from the Bennelong Foundation, and with a member of ANZ staff.

