

Findings from a Photovoice Project with young people using the Lighthouse Service

# Exploring Service Delivery and Young people's experiences and needs in the community



## ***Like... it's a community, everyone is meant to share***

Young people like being out in the community, however community is not always safe

Create an environment where young people feel accepted, and a part of the community they live in

Provide young people with accessible and safe spaces— community is for all of us!

## ***Us kids can't go to shopping centres***

Treat young people as individuals; labeling and stereotyping excludes young people from the community

Young people in this study felt judged and followed in public

"They are too racist against black people"

## ***It gives you a chance***

Services need to be a safe space, a free service

Positive relationships with workers and peers are important

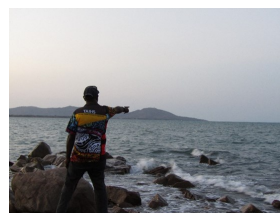
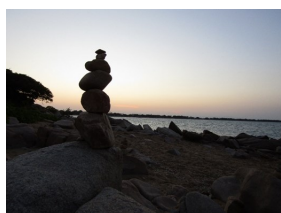
Services can provide respite for and from family, can help them survive and move forward

## ***Because family is important***

Family is important and services "helped balance, friendship with mum and dad again"

The Service can become a home away from home

More young people accessing the service can provide belonging and connection



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