



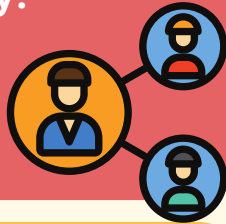
# SNAPSHOT: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COVID RECOVERY

Between August - December 2020, Youth and Family Services consulted with more than 260 young people, parents and carers to find out how COVID-19 has impacted them.

**Here is a snapshot of what supports they need...**

**1** Coordinated focus across three priority areas identified for COVID recovery:

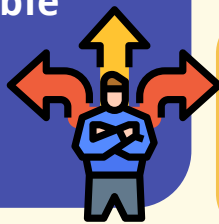
- Employment
- Social connection
- Mental health



**2** Targeted initiatives for cohorts who may be more affected by the impacts of COVID-19 including:

- International students
- Children in the middle years (8-12)
- Newly arrived families

**3** Ensure services are responsive and flexible whilst COVID-19 continues to impact communities



**4** Strengthen coordination across the youth sector to enhance information sharing and referral pathways

**5** Enhance information provision and promotion of existing services and supports



**6** Health promotion messaging is youth-friendly and suitable for culturally diverse audiences



**7** Celebrate and build on the positive impacts that have been identified by young people and carers



**8** Provide youth activities and programs that are structured, purposeful and consistent

**9** Continue to ensure that the voices of young people and families are front and centre of decisions relating to COVID recovery



**For a complete list of recommendations, visit [youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au](https://youth.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au)**

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