

Help us plan for the young people you care about

This survey is for parents and carers of young people aged 12-25. Answers and personal information will be kept confidential. We will only contact you if you win a voucher.

01. Where do you live? **Required**

Select one answer only
☐ Barfold
☐ Barkers Creek
☐ Baringhup
☐ Campbells Creek
☐ Castlemaine
☐ Chewton
☐ Elphinstone
☐ Faraday
☐ Fryerstown
☐ Guildford
☐ Harcourt
☐ Maldon
☐ McKenzie Hill
☐ Metcalfe
☐ Muckleford
☐ Newstead
☐ Nuggety
☐ Sutton Grange
☐ Taradale
☐ Tarrengower
☐ Walmer
☐ Welshmans Reef

☐ Yapeen
☐ Other

02. How many young people aged 12-25 years do you care for? **Required**

Select one answer only
☐ One
☐ Two
☐ Three
☐ Four
☐ More than four

03. Do you have any children aged 12-25 years with a disability or additional needs? **Required**

Select one answer only
☐ Yes
☐ No

04. Which of the following best describes your family?

Select one answer only
☐ Two parents/carers
☐ One parent/carer
☐ Other

05. What are the top FIVE most important things to your family right now?
Required

Rank your top five where 1 = most important

Select 5 answers
Access to healthcare/mental health services
Access to wifi

☐	Being healthy
☐	Being creative (art, music etc)
☐	Connection to community
☐	Connection to culture
☐	Family
☐	Friends
☐	Mental health
☐	My job / Finding work
☐	Personal safety
☐	Sport / Being active
☐	Human rights
☐	The environment
☐	TV/entertainment (i.e. Netflix, YouTube)
☐	Politics
☐	Education
☐	Financial security

06. Is there anything else that is important to your family that we've not covered?

07. Which of the following services has your family used in the past 12 months? **Required**

Tick the box/es

Select all that apply
☐ Career advice
☐ Disability services/Support
☐ Drug/Alcohol counselling
☐ Employment support
☐ GP
☐ Housing/Homelessness support
☐ Library
☐ Mental health professional (in person)
☐ Mental health professional (telehealth)
☐ Mental health support online (i.e. Headspace, Beyond Blue)
☐ Public transport
☐ Sports club
☐ Study help /Tutoring
☐ Youth space/Youth group
☐ None of these
☐ Parenting or carer support
☐ Anything else (would you like to add anything or provide more detail?)

08. Please let us know of any services that you have not been able to access or had difficulty accessing

For example, due to wait times, accessibility, privacy concerns etc.

Maximum of 1000 characters

09. What do you think makes Mount Alexander Shire a good place for young people aged 12 to 25 years old? **Required**

Tick between one and five boxes

Select between 1 and 5 answers
☐ Arts and creative opportunities
☐ Cafes and places to eat
☐ Community (people)
☐ Community facilities (i.e. library, pool etc.)
☐ Culture and heritage
☐ Diversity and inclusion
☐ Education (schools, TAFE)
☐ Environment and outdoor spaces (i.e. bush, mountains, creek, lakes, park etc.)
☐ Events and activities (lots of things to do)
☐ Health and wellbeing services
☐ Job opportunities
☐ Lifestyle (i.e. peace and quiet)
☐ Places for young people to hang out
☐ Safety
☐ Sport and recreation opportunities
☐ Transport options
☐ Young people are valued
☐ Anything else (would you like to add anything or provide more detail)?

10. What do you think are some of the main issues and challenges facing young people aged 12 to 25 years in Mount Alexander Shire? **Required**

Tick between one and ten boxes

Select between 1 and 10 answers
☐ Affordability of services
☐ Alcohol use
☐ Drug use

☐ Vaping
☐ Bullying (physical/verbal/cyber)
☐ Being safe online
☐ Body image
☐ Fake news
☐ Family violence
☐ Having a voice/Being represented (lack of)
☐ Health and wellbeing services (lack of)
☐ Housing/ homelessness
☐ Internet access (lack of/quality)
☐ LGBTIQ+ support (lack of)
☐ Connection to culture (lack of)
☐ Coping with stress
☐ Cost of living
☐ Disability support services and programs (lack of)
☐ Discrimination
☐ Education opportunities (lack of/ quality)
☐ Employment opportunities (lack of)
☐ Events and activities (lack of)
☐ Mental health problems
☐ Places to for young people to hang out
☐ Personal safety
☐ Transition from high school to tertiary education or employment (lack of support)
☐ Transition to financial independence
☐ Transport options (lack of)
☐ The impact of climate change
☐ Loneliness
☐ Parenting or carer information and resources (lack of)

☐ Anything else (would you like to add anything or provide more detail)?
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11. What do you think could make Mount Alexander Shire a better place for young people aged 12-25 years and their families? **Required**

Select all that apply
☐ More affordable activities/events
☐ More support to transition from high school to tertiary education or employment
☐ More health and wellbeing services
☐ More support to transition to financial independence
☐ More opportunities for young people to have a voice in the community
☐ More youth homelessness support
☐ More programs/support for parents and carers
☐ Safer places for young people to hang out
☐ More support and services for young people with a disability
☐ Youth alcohol/drug support
☐ Anything else (would you like to add anything or provide more detail)?

12. If you think more support and programs for parents and carers is needed, please outline what kind of support is required

Maximum of 998 characters

Thanks for completing the survey. Contact our Youth Team on 5471 1700 if you have any questions about the survey.

For your chance to win a \$100 voucher, please provide your name and a phone or email address below.

Your answers to this survey will be kept confidential. If you do provide your name and contact details, we will only use them if you win a voucher.

13. Name

14. Contact number or email address