



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **TARGET ZERO – Off and running!**

On 18 November an exciting and ambitious project, TARGET ZERO was launched. Aimed at eradicating youth criminalisation and the overrepresentation of First Nations, African, Pasifika children and youth and those living in residential care in justice system in Brimbank, Melton and Wyndham.

An impressive range of organisations and institutions have committed to achieving zero criminalisation and overrepresentation including:

Centre of Multicultural Youth (CMY)  
WEstJustice  
Western RAJAC  
Whitelion  
Jesuit Social Services (JSS)  
Anglicare Victoria  
Victoria University  
Wyndham Community Education Centre  
CommUnity Plus  
Youth Support Advocacy Service  
Youthlaw  
Youth Junction Inc.

See the launch video here: <https://vimeo.com/649817615>

TARGET ZERO is about doing our work differently to achieve our goal; moving the dial in our expectations and no longer accepting overrepresentation as an outcome.

TARGET ZERO wants to increase collaboration amongst all stakeholders in Brimbank, Melton and Wyndham, especially those impacted by youth criminalisation and overrepresentation and develop common agendas to drive down overrepresentation towards zero.

To succeed, TARGET ZERO needs the commitment and wisdom of community, government and non-government organisations in Brimbank, Melton and Wyndham and we look forward over the coming months to telling you more about the project and having you join on.

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