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## Media Release

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# “Youth Insearch” gets \$90,000

Vulnerable youth from New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria will continue to have access to support services through the Youth Insearch organisation following the announcement of a \$90,000 grant by the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon Jenny Macklin.

Independent Member for New England, Tony Windsor is delighted Youth Insearch will receive this funding.

“Youth Insearch has a long history of helping young people turn their lives around with many young people from across the New England having benefited from the programs run by it.

“As a result of the global financial crisis, Youth Insearch has lost a lot of its corporate support and was having to scale back its operations at a time when its services to young people are becoming even more needed.

“The \$90,000 funding announced by Minister Macklin will assist greatly in keeping the Youth Insearch organisation and its important effective programs going to the benefit of young people at risk.

“I thank the Minister and the Australian Government for their support of Youth Insearch and look forward to it continuing to deliver hope and opportunities for young people such that they can grow into well adjusted positive people with a bright future.

“I also congratulate Ron Barr, Youth Insearch founder on his and his organisation’s commitment to giving young people every opportunity to lead fulfilling and successful lives.

“Locally in the New England, I would like to recognise the continuing commitment of Ron Carr, Sheryl Page and their support volunteers along with the local funding assistance of Rotary, the Royal Freemasons, the Harley Bike Owners and all other private benefactors.

“Further, I thank fellow MPs for their support in lobbying for this funding particularly Janelle Saffin, the Member for Page.

“The outcome, I’m sure, will be very positive,” Mr Windsor said.

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