

HOPE News --- September 2018

Good afternoon,

The two major activities undertaken in August were:

- Development and delivery of a "Photo Voice" environmental project for Downlands College year 9 students as part of their Personal Interest Project (PIP) program (15-17 August). A big thanks to HOPE member Andrew Nicholson for preparing and presenting the project.; and
- An environmental information display at U3AQ Toowoomba's Seniors Expo (22 August).\

Our next quarterly Ordinary Meeting will be on Saturday 8 September, 22 Vacy St Toowoomba commencing at 10am sharp. Guest speaker is Daniel Patava from United Nations (UN) Youth Australia (Qld division) who will provide an overview of UNYA – as well as discuss a joint UNYA and HOPE "Toowoomba Youth Summit" event for early 2019. A reminder meeting notice will be issued with this newsletter.

Lastly, we are seeking financial and/or in-kind support to help defray our annual operating expenses.

Financial donations may be made online at <http://www.hopeaustralia.org.au/annual-pledgedonation/>, else please contact me by phone 07 4639 2135 or email office@hopeaustralia.org.au if you wish to donate by for other means

In-kind donations of office stationary, photocopy paper and/or postage stamps may be left at the HOPE office, 22 Vacy St, Toowoomba.

Regards,

Frank Ondrus, President / Office Manager – HOPE Inc., ph 07 4639 2135

Volunteers needed



More active volunteers – both local and remote (i.e. online) – are required to help us maintain our level of activity. Volunteers are needed to help with projects, events and display activities, as well as general admin duties and media/publications work. We invite members and supporters to step up and volunteer some time and talents to help share the workload. Current vacancies include: Researchers; Media Officers; Publications Team members; and Newsletter Editor

Please contact the office on 07 4639 2135 or email office@hopeaustralia.org.au to offer your assistance.

A fair portion of the above work would ideally be done by locals (i.e. in the Toowoomba area) because the HOPE office is in Toowoomba. However, quite a bit of the literature review, research, media and publications activity can be done via email. If you have a little bit of time to help us in any way, then contact the HOPE office on email office@hopeaustralia.org.au or phone (07) 4639 2135.

Current volunteer positions available are:

- Researchers – required to review and comment on a range of discussion papers, policy documents and reports provided by government departments, business and industry organisations and NGOs.
 - Media Officers – required to write media releases, event notices, date claimers and design promotional flyers/posters for projects, campaigns, events and activities
 - Publications Team members – required to write information articles for our newsletter; website summaries; and assist with the development of PowerPoint presentations and information sheets
 - Newsletter Editor – required to write and/or source articles and other items for compilation into monthly E: News Bulletin
 - Social Media Assistant – required to source and post suitable 'environmental' content items regularly on HOPE's Facebook and Twitter accounts
 - Website Content Maintenance Assistant – required to perform weekly updates and routine maintenance as provided by Office Manager
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