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Media Release

The Hon Chris Ellison, Minister for Justice and Customs today together with the Federal Member for Canning Don Randall announced a grant of \$150 000 to Drug ARM WA's Youth Options Program.

“This is the first time that funds from the National proceeds of crime have been given in WA” Mr Ellison said, and indicated that the Government was totally committed to the war on drugs.

In his speech the Minister acknowledged the work of Drug ARM WA and commended its exceptional work with young people in the Youth Options Program.”

The Minister also acknowledged the amount of work Don Randall had done for Drug ARM WA.

The Youth Options Program is a workshop based program providing opportunities for young people to improve their life, work and education skills to an extent whereby they are able to make a positive contribution to community.

The program is available to young offenders and those at risk of offending. Within the program issues of drug abuse and addiction are dealt with.

The program operates in Partnership with Armadale Senior High School and Ministry of Justice (Rangeview Remand Centre).

In receiving the funding, the Acting Executive Director John Dunn said, “Drug ARM WA is delighted to be the recipient of these funds and the Minister could be assured that they would be put to good and appropriate use within the nominated program.”

“This timely announcement will ensure the immediate future of this program which had been under threat of closing because of lack of funding.”

Mr Dunn further commented that “the Program offered a positive and practical approach in dealing with issues of drug abuse, offending behaviours and in assisting young people to make positive life choices which impact on the well being of our community.”

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