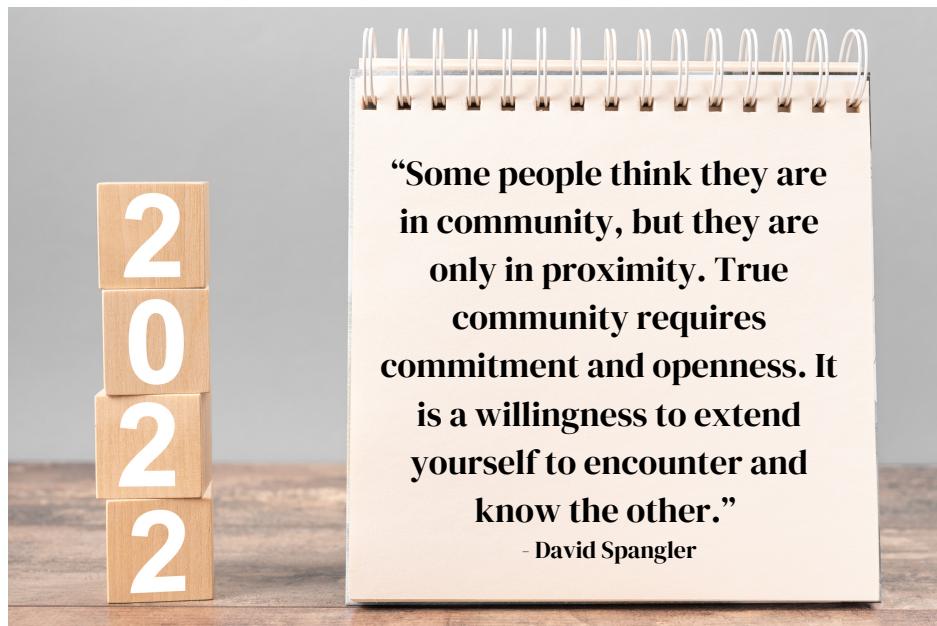




Newsletter (see attached PDF version with links)

# Community Minds

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## We're back!

We're back and thrilled to be commencing work on some exciting community projects to kick start 2022.

Community Minded Kids (CMK) is transitioning to an online platform, creating an accessible user friendly space for teachers to deliver our community development modules. These modules are complete with core and optional learning experiences, printable activity sheets, resources that are designed to inspire students in their communities and schools will have access to direct support from our team of community development professionals.

We are excited to welcome Campsie Public School to pilot our improved CMK program in semester 1. Campsie's school values align perfectly with CMK,

A multicultural community valuing 'learning together for life'. They are a school that nurtures safe, respectful, responsible and active learners.

Our vision is to offer CMK to student cohorts across Australia, creating deeper local connections and asking schools to explore the people and place-based assets of their communities.

For the first time in 2022, CMK will be offered to the Campbelltown and Parramatta communities with funded offerings available. You can register your school for a free consultation whether you are in these areas, or anywhere across Australia. Email or phone us on 1300 CMINDS or email [kids@communityminds.org.au](mailto:kids@communityminds.org.au). You can also complete our [registration form here](#).

Funded opportunities are also

available across Bankstown. Thanks to our partners, Urban Theatre Projects (UTP), students who participate in our program from this local government area may have the opportunity to take part in a community photography project with the end result being a gallery display and book launch. We are also collaborating with UTP on a project to reduce loneliness experienced by seniors and young people in our communities through circles of conversation and creativity. These interactions will be facilitated through accessible digital engagement.

Community Minds will be co-hosting the Power to the People conference in 2022 with the [Bank of Ideas](#). This is a 2 day conference with the theme, Diversity and Inclusion - "*Cultivating and Celebrating Everyone's Role in Building Community*". Watch this space for further details.





# Work with us!



## Exciting new position

We are looking for a passionate and experienced community development professional who also possesses project and workshop facilitation skills.

Experience working with or developing programs for children and young people will be highly regarded. You will have a solid understanding of Asset Based Community Development and are passionate about building communities from the bottom up, utilising the assets and strengths that exist in all communities. You will have great communication skills, both written and public speaking skills and have substantial experience in report and grant writing.

Part-time casual role, 16.5 hours per week, with the possibility of progression to permanent part-time at 21 hours p.w. Hybrid work arrangement (at home and onsite). Travel and phone allowance provided.

## Volunteer with us

As our organisation and programs continue to grow, we are always looking for opportunities to work with new people. We are currently seeking people who have skills in marketing, graphic design and administration. We are however interested in hearing from people with an array of skills, please contact us if you are interested.

**"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."**

-Margaret Mead

## Join the Community Minded Kids Think Tank

This year is the year to be part of an innovative Think Tank and make a real difference in schools and communities across Australia! Join Community Minded Kids (CMK) Think Tank and be part of shaping and growing our unique flagship program for children.

We are currently seeking expressions of interest from teachers, principals, community development practitioner's and community leaders who would like to join our community Minded Kids Think Tank to play an advisory role building on the current work and success of CMK program.

The CMK Advisory Board is a voluntary committee of interested community members, community leaders, teachers, principals, and child/youth related professionals.

### Purpose

The primary purpose of the Think Tank is to:

- advise Community Minds on the strategic direction of the Community Minded Kids program
- assist in identifying different aspects of the curriculum that need to be highlighted through the delivery of the program so that it is tailored for the local context
- help position Community Minds as a leading organisation in delivering effective and high-quality community development initiatives for children and young people
- provide insights and advice otherwise beyond the scope of management board
- assist Community Minds in developing targeted program solutions
- provide insight into different local communities and regions as it relates to the program
- provide knowledge and share information regarding community issues, demographics, challenges and data that will assist in developing the program and designing targeted solutions for different local contexts

CMK Think Tank meets every 6 weeks with a minimum of six meetings each year.

Please email us if you are interested and do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions.

For more information about these roles  
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