



SHINE for Kids

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Calling on mentors to make a real difference in a child's life

SHINE for Kids Co-operative Ltd - have been providing programs and support to the children, and families, of prisoners for over 25 years. SHINE for Kids offers support services to children whose mum or dad is in prison. Early Intervention programs work to keep kids connected to their mum or dad and give children and young people the support and opportunity to break the cycle and SHINE.

One of their key programs is a Mentoring Program.

The Mentoring Program is intended to offer children of prisoners the opportunity to have a supportive, caring and non-judgmental relationship with an adult mentor. The mentor provides guidance, support and stability to the child/young person. They enable the child/young person to participate in events and social activities which will enhance their growth, development and self esteem.

Mentoring Information and Recruitment Evenings will take place on Thursday 18th and Wednesday 24th October from 6pm – 8pm at Bathurst's SHINE for Kids centres at 64 Vittoria St, Bathurst.

"Mentors make a big difference in the life of a child/young person. Research shows that mentoring by a caring adult, impacts positively on academic performance, emotional health, peer and social interactions, self-esteem, social responsibility, and communication skills of young people. Children and young people being mentored are better able to break the cycle and make positive choices. The long term effects of the mentoring carry on into adulthood" said Gloria Larman, CEO of SHINE for Kids.

For more information on Mentoring and the information session contact Kirsten on 0414 816 803 or email kware@shineforkids.org.au.

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Celebrating 25 years of service to the children of prisoners!

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