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What's Been Happening

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The last few months have probably left you wondering what the heck is going on! Lots of changes and distancing rules. As young people with a care experience though you know more about change than the rest of us. Some of you are probably even experts at it and could write a book sharing your best tips on how to get through difficult times like the one the world is facing with COVID-19.

Besides the changes caused by the virus we also have had some big changes for us here at CREATE NT! We have managed to scour the nation and put together an awesome new team with Sam giving them all the tick of approval. Find out more about them on the following pages and if you get a chance give them a big "Hello" and make them feel welcome by joining them at an upcoming event. They are very eager to meet you all!

The CREATE in the NT Crew



JUNE 2020

Hi! I am the new State Coordinator at CREATE Foundation for the Northern Territory. After leaving Adelaide and travelling around Australia with my kids, we loved the NT so much that we decided to make Darwin home!

I am really happy to be part of the CREATE team and supporting children and young people across the NT continue to make improvements to the care system. Hopefully I will meet some of you soon through our online Youth Advisory Groups, Speak Up and Connection events. Talk to you soon.

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How awesome is technology! **COVID-19 might have stopped** us from meeting face-to-face but it hasn't stopped us from hanging out in the virtual world. We have managed, with some help from CREATE staff from around Australia, to come up with ideas that allow us to be able to still deliver our empowerment program Speak Up (SUP) and Youth Advisory Groups (YAGs).

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We have some great fun things planned online where you can still have your voice heard and meet Government decision makers to help improve the care system. Things like Pizza Party YAG and Zoom Speak Up. And it is still free with food, gift cards, art packs as some of the bonuses you will receive for participating, not to mention the satisfaction of knowing you have the tools and power to make a difference for yourself and others!

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Hi Everyone, my name is Carly and I am the new part-time Community Facilitator in Darwin.

I moved to Darwin from Queensland last year after travelling around Australia and discovering that Darwin is the BEST place to live.

To tell you a bit about myself, I love camping, fishing, music, walking my dog and the beautiful Darwin sunsets.

I am super excited to be working with CREATE Foundation and can't wait to meet you all soon at our activities and events!



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Hey everyone. For those that haven't met me before my name is Dawyte. I have recently started at CREATE as a Youth Facilitator.

I am very excited to be on the team. I have a care experience and I feel very strongly about children and young people getting the opportunity to have their say and to be heard.



Until we get back into the office I am hoping to meet a lot of you on our new online YAG's. How exciting!

Stay strong, connect and reach out during this difficult time!

ALICE SPRINGS SENIOR COMMUNITY FACILITATOR MICHELE FORBES





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WOW if only CREATE was around when I was growing up in care! In 'the old days' there was noone to talk to and the right help wasn't easy to find. Life's journey was lonely and confusing for children, like myself, separated from their birth families.

Now in 2020, how lucky am I? I have a new job with CREATE and am part of a committed team to help young people navigate that journey, through the wonderful opportunities it provides.

I look forward to meeting and supporting you all to be heard and have a chance to heal and flourish, be happy and shine. Catch you all soon!

> INSTAGRAM @CREATEFN



Have you moved house or changed your phone number? Let us know! We love to keep in touch with all our clubCREATE members and to do this we need to have the right contacts for you.

If you move house or change phone number or email let us know so we can keep you up to date with all things CREATE!

EVENTS CALENDAR COMING SOON!

DATE	WHAT	WHERE	Contact
Every month	YAG-online	Comfort of own place!	nt@create.org.au or 0434384033
May & June	Speak up-online	Comfort of own place!	nt@create.org.au or 0434384033

"TO BE HONEST GOING ONLINE WITH OTHER PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW CAN BE A BIT AWKWARD AT FIRST BUT THEN YOU GET USE TO IT"





If you would like to register for any of our events, find out the missing details or get information about CREATE, head to our **CREATE NT** page on **www.create.org.au** or contact us at **1800 655 105** or **Darwin on 8945 9993** or **Alice Springs 8953 8358** or **nt@create.org.au**



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