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NSW Government Independent Planning Commission

Level 3, 201 Elizabeth Street

Sydney NSW 2000

**Youth Off The Streets submission: The Bloomfield Group & The Bloomfield Group Foundation.**

The Bloomfield Group and Foundation have done great things for the Hunter Valley community. They’ve been supporting Youth Off The Streets financially and through staff volunteering since 1999 and will continue to support our services in the region. It’s always great to see an organisation dedicate resources to community support services and help the people that need it most.

Through our partnership, Youth Off The Streets and the Bloomfield Group have helped thousands of young people in the Hunter Valley area. They’ve been with us from the very beginning, working alongside us during community consultation, helping us purchase a food van (providing free meals every week) and supporting us when needed. With their loyal support, the young people we help will continue to access the services they need to thrive. Together, we’re creating future leaders of the Hunter Valley community.

The ongoing support of both the organisation and its staff has meant that, in addition to delivering the much needed programs to the local disadvantaged youth, we can also fund staff training and development to create opportunities for the local community. With the support of the Bloomfield Group and Foundation we have been able to expand our presence in the community with a drop-in centre, and are currently planning to open a school for disadvantaged youth in the Hunter Region later in 2019.

Please do not hesitate to make contact if you have any queries.

Yours Sincerely

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