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Final opportunity to nominate!

The BLG Youth Awards, designed to recognise and celebrate the achievements of young people, are back and it is your final chance to nominate, with nominations extended by a week until November 7th to allow for as many nominations as possible.

Buloke, Loddon and Gannawarra Shire's young people will be once again celebrated in a gala-style event that recognises their contributions to their communities at the inaugural BLG Youth Awards, to be held at the Boort Memorial Hall on Friday the 24th of November 2023.

The BLG Youth Awards has been organised by Northern District Community Health and North Central LLEN and co-designed with young people from across the three shires. Molly Meadows, Youth Programs Assistant at North Central LLEN has taken the lead on this project with assistance from Matt Allan, Youth Programs Coordinator at Northern District Community Health.

Young people aged 12-25 who live, work, play or attend school in Buloke, Loddon and Gannawarra Shires are eligible to be nominated for the awards. An individual may be nominated in multiple categories with separate nominations.

All young people who are nominated will be acknowledged at the awards night as this is a celebration of the diverse outcomes that young people contribute to our community. This year we have changed up the categories to include Inspiration, Community Service, Artistry and Teamwork (Individual or Team).

The nomination process is easily accessible online. Nomination forms can be reached by heading to the NDCH Youth Facebook and Instagram pages or here <https://forms.gle/CCbqmGtMvcJBprpDA>

"Following the success of last year's awards, we are thrilled with the nominations that have been received so far, but we would love some more." said Ms Meadows, "We were unsure whether to hold the Awards annually or biannually but this is proving to be the right decision."

Attendance at the event is by invitation only, however it will also be live-streamed by 'Living it Live' for those wanting to watch along.

This event has gained support from Buloke, Loddon and Gannawarra Shires with representative Mayors and Councillors in attendance for the evening. Each Shire's Young Citizen of the Year will introduce award categories.

Nominations have been extended until Tuesday 7 November and you can find all the details on Facebook or Instagram (@ndch_freeza), by emailing m.meadows@ncllen.org.au or by calling Molly on 0429 152 496.

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