

Question on Notice
No. 935
Asked on Tuesday, 31 August 2004

MR REEVES asked the Minister for Police and Corrective Services (Ms SPENCE) -

QUESTION:

With reference to the Mt Gravatt Police Citizens Youth Club – What financial support will the Police Service give to the centre when it opens on 17 September 2004?

ANSWER:

This Government supports the services and programs that the Queensland Police Citizens Youth Welfare Association provides through their Police Citizens Youth Clubs (PCYC).

The Queensland Police Citizens Youth Welfare Association has made a valuable and positive contribution to the future of many young people since their first PCYC was established almost 60 years ago. Through the hard work of Police Officers, staff and thousands of caring volunteers and members of the community, a tradition has developed that is unique to Australia.

The Mount Gravatt PCYC is the 42nd to open in Queensland, with the support of the Queensland Police Service. The new PCYC will be a great asset to the local community, particularly young people, by providing a meeting place and recreational activities.

Ongoing financial support will be provided through the Queensland Police Service fully funding the salary cost of a Sergeant of Police to act as Branch Manager. This arrangement will continue for such time as the QPCYWA manages the facility, and is consistent with the approach taken in PCYCs throughout the state. The manager of the Mount Gravatt PCYC is Sergeant Jeff Nicks.

In Queensland the PCYC branch managers are supported at a regional level by a Senior Sergeant who has a dual role as Regional Crime Prevention Coordinator for the Queensland Police Service and also acts as a Regional Supervisor Training Officer (middle management) for PCYCs.

In addition, the Queensland Police Service provides the wages for the Police Officers who work within the Queensland Police Citizens Youth Welfare Association. The Queensland Police Service also provides a grant of \$210,000 to the Head Office of the QPCYWA to assist with the costs of managing the Association.