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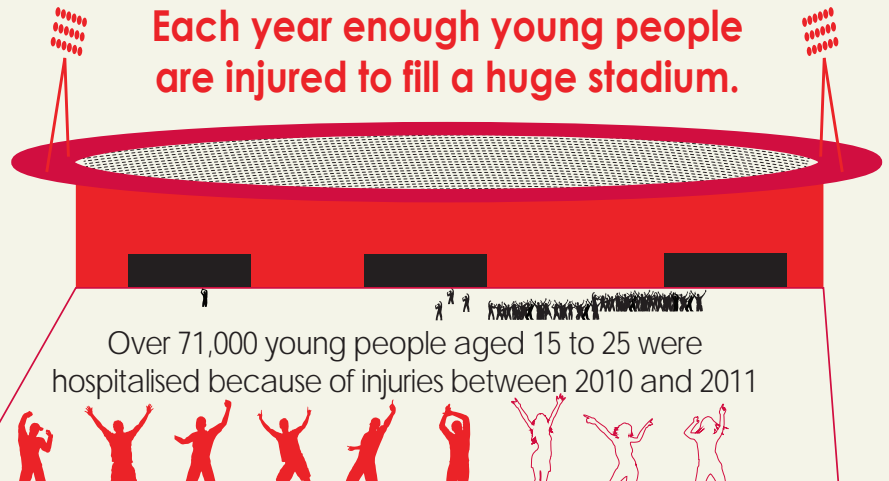
Youthsafe partners to prevent unintentional injury of young people.

We address youth injury on the roads, at work, in sport and when out socialising with friends.



Injury is one of the leading causes of death and disability in young people, accounting for around 66% of deaths of young people.

(AHIW, 2011)



Each year enough young people are injured to fill a huge stadium.

Over 71,000 young people aged 15 to 25 were hospitalised because of injuries between 2010 and 2011

More than twice as many males are hospitalised than females

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There are many reasons why young people may find it difficult to assess risk, make safer choices and react rationally, particularly in new or stressful situations. This includes:

- The way the brain is still developing during adolescence.
- Inexperience.
- Peer or family influence.
- Society's expectations of how young men and women should and will behave.

OUR UNIQUE APPROACH

We know that shock tactics are not effective in stopping young people from taking unsafe risks and won't lead to positive behaviour change. In addition, using education in isolation of other structural or systemic improvements will not improve outcomes for individuals.



Our programs offer practical tools and provide strengths-based strategies to assist young people as well as those in a position of influence in their lives.



Youthsafe favours evidence based approaches that create supportive, strong environments to address injury prevention in the context in which that injury occurs. This allows young people to take safe and calculated risks as well as build capacity and self-efficacy over time.

YOUTHSAFE VALUES

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