

HEALTHY CANTEEN ENTERPRISE EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT INITIATIVE



PARTNERS

- Victoria University
- Department of Human Services, Neighbourhood Renewal
- Primary School
- Local Government



OBJECTIVE

- To provide supportive workplace training to 11 unemployed Braybrook Maidstone residents
- To provide a healthy multicultural canteen service for a Primary School



MODEL

- Deliver Certificate II in Hospitality in the context of providing a school canteen service.
- Provide quality training & support which is culturally sensitive
- Provide post placement support to find employment



KEY FEATURES

- Builds on skills/life experience
- Provides a realistic introduction to workplace
- Accredited training
- Income from canteen ensures sustainability



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

- Participants report using their new skills to improve nutrition at home
- Participants report improved English
- Participants report increased self confidence



OUTCOMES

Student Learning:

- 100% student retention
- 85% achieved competency at Certificate II level

Employment

- 5 students have commenced work in 2008

Access

- Cultural issues re kitchen uniform were successfully addressed

Reciprocal benefit

- Successful canteen service meets school's needs