



Whether I will  
find a job

Working out  
what I want to  
do



Having the  
right skills

Earning enough  
money

### Thinking about the future

On 3 and 4 August, the ACT Human Rights Commission set up a stall at the Canberra *CareersXpo* at Exhibition Park, in the new Migrant and Refugee Hub. The *CareersXpo* is an annual event organised by the Rotary Club of Canberra City with help from the ACT Education Directorate.

Staff from across different parts of the Human Rights Commission had a great time talking with young people about the work that we do. We gave out heaps of information, had fun with helium balloons, and invited young people to 'make their mark on the world' by putting their thumbprint on a fabric map of the world. Hundreds of young people joined in; together making a spectacular collaborative artwork. The CYPC intends to display the artwork in the new Human Rights Commission office.

We also asked young people to fill out a survey telling us some of the things they think about most, when they think about their future and career. Around three-quarters of young people were concerned about 'whether they would find a job' and 'earning enough money'. Working out what they want to do, and whether they would have the right skills and qualifications were also big issues. A range of other considerations, such as moving out of home, whether to have a gap year, the expectations of others (such as family) and which city to live in, were also on the radar for young people.

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