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Housing NSW and Celebrate Safely - the Central Coast Website and Campaign - have a new and exciting project in the pipeline:

The Celebrate Safely Youth Forum,

May 28th 2009 @ The Youth Arts Warehouse, 123 Donnison Street, Gosford:

Over 120 Year 11 students and Welfare Teachers from every Central Coast High School will be invited to share a powerhouse of safe celebrating information - from Keynote Speaker, Paul Dillon (*Drug & Alcohol Research Training Australia - DARTA*), one of the country's leading authorities on Youth AOD issues, to special guests, including Angry Anderson - before workshopping effective strategies to take the message of harm minimisation back to their peers and communities.

This inspired approach to Drug and Alcohol Education will be an outstanding opportunity for Young People, representing every area of this region, to come together, galvanise their ideas, resourcefulness and ingenuity, and arm themselves with the tools and support to motivate the masses on the critical subject of Celebrating Safely.

If only 10% of Young People aged 12-17 years old regularly binge drink, shouldn't we be asking the other 90% to share their reasoning? (*NDARC – 2008*)

After all, who better to inspire our students...than our students?!

This innovative approach to peer education is a partnership between:

Housing NSW, Area Drug & Alcohol Service NSCCA, HeadSpace, local Community Drug Action Teams (CDATs) and Regional Youth Support Services Inc.

A representative from the Forum will be calling you shortly.

For further information, please contact Glenys at Regional Youth Support Services Inc on 43232374.

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