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<b>University</b>	
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<b>The BEE Healthy Program</b>	The BEE Healthy Program is a unique program that aims to tackle childhood obesity by educating the younger generation about healthy eating and the healthy food pyramid. This program comprises 3 components: identifying healthy and unhealthy foods, hands on food preparation and fun activities, and games with fruity prizes.
<b>Study Group Program</b>	The Study Group Program (SGP) is a new program to provide guidance and encouragement for Yr 10 & Yr 11 students in their transition to VCE years. It provides students with non traditional study support, prepares students for the pressure of their final VCE year and provides "buddy " support.
<b>Career Kick Start</b>	This project opens job opportunities for economically disadvantaged students with the creation of a handbook which gives instructions on creating a resume, reviewing goals and preparing for an interview.
<b>Conversation Corner</b>	The program provides opportunities for International and local students to enhance their cultural understanding and to develop
<b>BOND UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>Funk IT</b>	Funk IT is a business operating at Bond University, specialising in computer repairs and software development. The program, while being profitable, services 3,000 students and provides otherwise disadvantaged students with the opportunity to become competitive in
<b>Bond Investment Group - BIG</b>	With a view to being recognised as Australia's leading student investment group, BIG aims to educate and encourage students to use their acquired knowledge on a practical level. By providing seminars and guest speakers, BIG provides students with ethical, entrepreneurial and financially responsible skills to compete in a
<b>Bond Investment Fund - BIF</b>	BIF is a formal part of the Bond Investment Group. With a grant provided, BIF allows students to actively invest real money for a real return and experience risk and variability with no risk to personal
<b>University Book Sale</b>	In collaboration with Funk IT, this program provides for monitoring inventories and sales for 2nd hand books to students. With the abolition of mandatory Student Union fees, this software has been pivotal in ensuring the success of the association.
<b>HSBC Financial Literacy Seminar</b>	Bond SIFE has developed a financial literacy seminar series tailored specifically to the needs of Yr 11 & 12 High School students.
<b>Public Speaking Program</b>	This year, Bond SIFE set out to challenge the world's biggest fear: Glossophobia - the fear of public speaking. This unique course, which demonstrates how to deal with passive and abusive audiences, has been marketed to local schools.
<b>Business Etiquette Dinner</b>	Held every semester, the Business Etiquette Dinner gives business students an opportunity to dine with industry professionals and career development specialists in an effort to prepare for life in tomorrow's world of professionals.
<b>Alumni Mentoring Program</b>	To help bridge the gap between the workplace and university, the Alumni Mentoring Program allows students to be paired with Alumnus.. The program has a global reach of 20 countries and allows students one-on-one mentoring and networking.
<b>FLINDERS UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>Growing Green</b>	This project supports and educates enterprises in cost effective and environmentally effective changes. Students are trained to conduct Intensive Waste & Energy Audits with 60% of the audits taking place in large not-for-profit/community organisations, resulting in a minimum of \$1,000 savings for each organisation.

<b>Education Enterprise</b>	Initially a free financial literacy program, Education Enterprise now encompasses diverse enterprise programs and publications for primary and secondary schools. This program has been extended to a regional and national program with a reach of over 8,500 students.
<b>Business Success</b>	Five Star Service on a One Star Budget develops business resilience, strengthens competitive advantage and engages all employees. A professional speaker presents a free seminar for staff and owners of small businesses to improve performance and sustain sales.
<b>Community Chance</b>	This project is motivated by a commitment to broaden our current reach and "pay forward" to the community by giving a portion of our income earned. This year we have supported a program in Delhi and a local <i>Young Leaders 2008</i> program.
<b>LA TROBE UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>Literacy is For Everyone - LIFE</b>	In order to achieve in society it is essential to possess some degree of both written and financial literacy. This programs provides an equitable system for the whole community. The program will be installed in community libraries with free access.
<b>Project Red</b>	This project involves actively educating both locals and visitors to recycle outside their home as well as encouraging future investment in the recovery of resources. Along with local council and organisations we are assisting in the introduction of the first permanent public recycling facility.
<b>HSBC</b>	This project involved a "hands on" experience for a group of Yr 6 students in comparative shopping and budgeting skills. The students organised a school disco and worked in subcommittees on different aspects of planning and organising a function within a given budget. Students charged an entrance fee, thus ensuring that the financial literacy experience can occur on an annual basis.
<b>MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>Innovative Youth Challenge - IYC</b>	The aim of the Innovative Youth Challenge is to give high school students the opportunity to develop their leadership, communication, teamwork, entrepreneurial and financial literacy skills. This is the third year of operation.
<b>Future Entrepreneurs of the World Summit - FEWS</b>	FEWS 2007 brought together 46 gifted university students from 20 countries to Sydney. These students were joined by successful entrepreneurs and business leaders in a vibrant environment offering a unique networking and learning opportunity.
<b>Find-A-Job</b>	The aim of this workshop is to create a fun and interactive forum for high-school students to learn the skills required to find a job. A step by step tutorial covers how to apply for and obtain a job. Students are given insight into employers' expectations on presentation, resumes, interviews and work ethics.
<b>MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>Enabled Initiatives</b>	This is an ongoing program working with people with disabilities. A Business Plan has been initiated to allow Yooralla to become more self sufficient and profitable.
<b>Nexus Abroad</b>	Nexus Abroad aims to mobilise the resources and knowledge at UniMelb to help organisations with a community focus or project on international impact in order to become social enterprises. A partnership has been formed with Nector Home, an orphanage in Eastern Ghana which houses children orphaned by HIV/AIDS.
<b>Back To Work</b>	In conjunction with the Fight Cancer Foundation, SIFE is setting up a work placement program to help cured bone marrow recipients' transition back into full-time professional employment. Partnership proposals are being developed with potential recruitment agencies.

<b>Enviro Select</b>	EnviroSelect educates businesses based on ISO 14001 standards via personalised interactions, and facilitating recognition of the strong business case for sustainability. The EnviroSelect mark is awarded to businesses demonstrating commitment and improvement in their practices.
<b>MONASH UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>Soy Candle</b>	Originally established by a single small business owner, SIFE Monash recognised the need to redevelop the business image and production methods to create a more profitable and sustainable business. Soy Candle workshops were held with female immigrant mothers to equip them with skills to establish their own small businesses.
<b>EcoChallenge Criteria</b>	EcoChallenge is a unique co-operative with secondary schools, aimed at developing commercially viable and eco-friendly projects within the class room. Students gain real world business skills which increases their prospects of employment as well as improving the environment.
<b>MURDOCH UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>Spoken English Promotion Program</b>	This project involves promoting English conversational skills to an international level. It is a partnership between Murdoch University and Zhejiang Gongshang University in Hangzhou China. Australian students learn about the Chinese market while Chinese students are exposed to other economies enhancing their knowledge of global
<b>UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND</b>	
<b>Careers Aware</b>	Regular careers evenings are held where students can associate with potential employers in order to gain an understanding of opportunities and requirements for their chosen career.
<b>Minimbah Primary School</b>	Minimbah is an independent school with many children coming from disadvantaged families. There is a focus on moving away from conventional fund raising sources from the school community, to sourcing funds from the wider community through quasi-business entities such as a monthly market. Participation is encouraged from parents of the P&C as well as teaching them transferrable skills.
<b>Parent &amp; Citizens Procedure Manual</b>	Following on from Project Minimbah, an attempt has been made to improve P&C attendances by creating a "Meeting Maker" folder with uniform pre-formatted stationery which includes: agenda, bank reconciliation, budget, financial records and report guidelines.
<b>UNSW</b>	
<b>Fully Frugal</b>	An established and evolving concept since 2005, Fully Frugal is a Youtube channel and contest to encourage people to post their own informative and/or funny ways of saving money. This medium has been chosen to accommodate for the changing needs of today's society as technology changes.
<b>Investment Club</b>	Due to a shortage of young people interested in investing, the Investment Club aims to teach and encourage students about the fundamentals of share investment at a slower pace and in an informal
<b>ITClicks</b>	ITClicks' focus is on helping people who are part of a small family business to gain skills necessary in marketing their business online. A basic website is set up by SIFE UNSW, and the user taught how to maintain it. This is to ensure they gain the skills necessary to compete in today's e-commerce world.
<b>Youth Arts</b>	An annual event in conjunction with key government and tourism bodies providing an opportunity for young people to hone their design skills with an entrepreneurial mission. The event consists of an arts/design market and a website for young people to promote their

<b>UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND</b>	
<b>Business Conferences</b>	Conferences were held to increase student knowledge of financial and business principles. SIFE students also gained practical experience in event planning, management, mentoring and evaluation.
<b>OHS&amp;W Research</b>	By holding workshops, the team worked with a local abattoir to help improve OH&S awareness. An increase of 85% awareness was reported.
<b>HSBC Financial Literacy Program</b>	A unique learning experience that integrates both personal development and financial literacy in order to address the issue of self-worth and esteem with financial concepts and decisions
<b>UniSA</b>	
<b>Sustainable Project Demonstrations</b>	This project worked with 3 schools to highlight the balance of the needs of the economy with the needs of the environment as well as attempting to stimulate interest in technical disciplines such as Engineering. Students attend a half day workshop at the university. These workshops will be increased to a full day and the program will be widened to include regional areas.
<b>School Talks</b>	With less students motivated to complete their 12 years of schooling and go on to tertiary education, SIFE students visit their <i>alma mater</i> at least once a term and provide mentoring support to interested groups. Reports have indicated a 10% increase in the number of students wanting to study at university since the <i>School Talks</i> program began.
<b>UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN QLD</b>	
<b>Radio-Band Showcase</b>	A digitalised radio station to provide a channel for SIFE USQ to achieve its focus of "Making Waves in the Community".
<b>Western Corridor Summit</b>	Through the summit SIFE USQ made valuable networks with community leaders as well as providing practical input with video recording and scribing.
<b>Student Chamber of Commerce HSBC</b>	Provided a networking environment for students and the business community.
<b>Mentoring in Schools</b>	Tailored to secondary school business students, this forum enables secondary students to interact with university students.
<b>UNIVERSITY OF THE SUNSHINE COAST</b>	
<b>Rai Rai Vinaka</b>	In 2007 the team, in partnership with an adventure tour company from Queensland, assessed the possibility of developing a sustainable con-tourism operation at a remote community in the highlands of Fiji. A sustainable strategy has been developed and work will begin on the construction of a water purification system. A survey will be conducted to measure sustainable community involvement, Fijian perception on tourism and opinions on a proposed primary school. The community will be educated on personal hygiene, first aid procedures and sports injury prevention.
<b>Campaign Classroom</b>	The US SIFE team is providing local school students with the skills and training needed to understand the fundamental marketing concepts and theories to complement their school business enterprise
<b>Business Enterprise Day</b>	For the 4th consecutive year, the USC SIFE team, in association with the University, has run a Business Enterprise Day for Yrs 9-10 from five secondary schools on the Sunshine Coast. The day exposes students to local business leaders and provides real life examples of business activities.
<b>Eumundi Markets</b>	The Original Eumundi Markets experience over 1 million visitors annually generating an income of approximately \$2m a year from 600 stall holders. The SIFE team are supporting the market's new vision to become "Australia's lowest ecological footprint market," led by the new theme "refuse, reduce, reuse and recycle".
<b>SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY</b>	

<b>OppArt: Cards Project</b>	OppArt was established to specifically help Swinburne TAFE students with learning difficulties to use their creativity as a major element in developing a way to enhance their experience and capability towards paid employment. It is an opportunity for them to establish a new gateway to the public through selling greeting cards, which were created from their artwork.
<b>Making Sense of "The Books" AMIDA</b>	The team worked with AMIDA (Action for More Independence and Dignity in Accommodation) to assist to simplify complicated financial jargon so it can be easily understood by laypeople as well as ensuring that the legal requirements of financial reporting are met.
<b>UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY</b>	
<b>Native Honey Project</b>	An on going program, this project has provided people with skills in hive building, honey extraction, purification and bottling in accordance to health and safety standards. The program has effectively allowed 14 members of the Canteen Creek community to produce honey from 2 functioning hives without external assistance, demonstrating the sustainability of the SIFE initiatives.
<b>FinQuest</b>	FinQuest is an interactive financial literacy program, which allows Yr 9-12 commerce students to adopt financial management skills via their experiences in dealing with real life simulations. It was especially devised to triumph over the problem of growing debt amongst Australian youth.
<b>Remote Stores Network</b>	The project strives to unite rural storeowners in a collaborative manner, helping to overcome the obstacle of isolation. Information sources, online tutorials and forums have been set up to assist store owners with financial, operational and supply chain management
<b>Urban Arts Base</b>	The UAB project strives to create a range of rehabilitative programs for youths suffering from mental health issues. The purpose is to generate profits through the creation of greeting cards displaying artworks of the participants.
<b>VICTORIA UNIVERSITY</b>	
<b>The Western</b>	The project was initiated in order to assist businesses facing hardships in the transition from business styles in Africa to those of Australia. 80% of the identified businesses were run by African women. With enhanced literacy and business skills the role of African women in the workforce has been markedly strengthened.
<b>Link Mi</b>	A project developed in order to link immigrants with vital information in order to assist in easing the transition from their home countries into Australia. A communication tool was established which enables immigrants to be notified of information available to them by government bodies.
<b>Job Assist</b>	Job Assist is a project established to address the high unemployment rates. Stalls were set up, and information packs distributed. Registrations were taken for practical assistance in job seeking skills from the SIFE team .
<b>UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA</b>	
<b>Finance for Life</b>	A program aimed at increasing financial literacy skills and awareness amongst high school students through the use of an online resource kit and interactive game.
<b>Easy Entry Option</b>	A consultancy service that helps family businesses analyse their business and develop strategic advantages in order to ensure sustainability in the market place.
<b>Balancing Your Body's Business</b>	A program designed to target the obesity epidemic sweeping Australia. Through a series of workshops, primary school children are encouraged to balance their food intake with exercise.

<b>The Leadership Conference</b>	A half day workshop held for Yr 11 students to equip them, through interactive presentations and activities, with the professional and personal skills and abilities needed for their transition from school to further education and the working world.
<b>UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN SYDNEY</b>	
<b>AFL Indigenous Academics</b>	The objective of this project was to organise, in conjunction with AFL NSW/ACT an academy celebration day celebrating and exhibiting academy members' achievements. A DVD was produced advertising the academy to the local community and potential sponsors.
<b>Art for Literacy</b>	Provides on-going support to Australian Literacy & Numeracy Foundation and Strategic Community Assistance to Refugee Families.
<b>Students Dollars &amp; \$ense</b>	The aim is to highlight the financial needs and issues that students face today, and provide them with vital financial information.
<b>Kites for Kids Day</b>	Aims to promote the sky's the limit for hopes and aspirations for infants and young children with developmental delays or disabilities.
<b>Old Feet New Paths</b>	This project address the need for a culturally appropriate resource book to assist Aboriginal children aged 6-12 years with the transition they face due to the Minto Renewal project, which involves all 700 Department of Housing townhouses being demolished and tenants
<b>Sculpture Art</b>	The aim is to establish closer links between university, artists and industry and to provide a valuable education and cultural resource for the region.
<b>Street Wise</b>	A project developed with the Holroyd High School to assist students from refugee families to become more aware of road safety issues.
<b>Tranby Talks</b>	The team assisted in the collection of oral histories of past and present students of Tranby College for their web site.
<b>UOW</b>	
<b>Mencentives</b>	Mencentives was a partnership project between SIFE UOW and Australian Health Management. The objective was to promote "How best to engage a male population in the area of men's health and preventative health behaviours".
<b>SHARP - Rural Health</b>	The aim of this project is to harness the motivation of university students interested in rural and remote health to increase the health workforce in rural and remote areas and to encourage rural high school students to pursue an education and to study health and/or other degrees at university.
<b>Careers Service Interns</b>	By educating the interns who then educate their peers on campus, the Careers Service is paving the way for today's graduates to thrive in a competitive and dynamic global economy.
<b>Vietnam</b>	In conjunction with already established projects, the SIFE team provides assistance to young illegitimate children who are considered "stateless" by teaching English as well as dance as a form of healing.
<b>Team 2006 Alumni</b>	Although graduating in 2006, members of this team are still involved with nurturing a group of indigenous entrepreneurs by providing focus and support in education in areas of market economics.
<b>HSBC Money Management</b>	A series of Financial Literacy Seminars targeting secondary schools and UOW campus.