EURYDICE DIXON GENDER EQUALITY CHAMPIONS AWARD

The Eurydice Dixon Gender Equality Champions Award aims to recognise young peoples' commitment to gender equality and ending gender-based violence in their communities. **One scholarship of $500** is available to young people living, studying, volunteering or working in Hume.

Background
The award has been established in memory of a 22-year-old Melbourne woman, Eurydice Dixon, who was tragically raped and murdered whilst returning home from a comedy night in which she had performed in June 2018.

With the blessing of Eurydice's family, the award has been created by the Good People Act Now (GPAN) project, a youth-led action group based in Broadmeadows, who are working to promote gender equality and respectful relationships.

About the Award
This award is based on the proven understanding that gender inequality is the cause of gender-based violence and violence against women.

The award will recognise the efforts of one young person, aged between 15 and 25 years, who is demonstrating a commitment to gender equality in their own lives and in their communities. This may be through raising awareness about the issue, creating opportunities for other young people or leading by example.

Awards presentation
The Good People Act Now project will announce the recipients of the Eurydice Dixon Gender Equality Champions Award Banksia Gardens Community Services Annual General meeting (Wednesday, October 21st 2026).

The Recipient of the award will be notified prior to the event and will be required to attend. The successful recipient is encouraged to bring along a support person. If this presents an issue, please contact the GPAN coordinator to discuss.

Recipients of the 2022 EDGE: Maryam Hanani (left) and Halima Figi (right)

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Submission requirements and closing date
•Applications must be completed online at www.goodpeopleactnow.org.au/gender-equality-award

•Submissions open Wednesday, August 5th 2026

•Submissions close Wednesday, September 23rd 2026

•Nominees must be living, working, volunteering or studying in Hume and aged between 15 and 25 years old.

•Applications can be submitted by the intended recipient or by a third party on their behalf.

•Applications must have the support of a referee. Referees can be a school principal, teacher, coach, mentor, community leader, church representative or family friend; but not a parent or close relative. Current GPAN members cannot act as referees.

•Applicants are required to complete the online form and address questions outlining the current gender equality activities the nominee is engaged in; the impact the activity is having or is likely to have and why that's important; and how this award would help the nominee to pursue their dream.

•The winner must use the award to further their personal or professional development.

Applicants must adhere to the following conditions:
• The winner must agree to have their photo used in Good People Act Now publications
• The award money must be used within 12 months and cannot be used for past expenses
• The winner must report back on how the money was spent
• The applicant must be available to attend Banksia Gardens Annual General meeting, Wednesday, October 21st 2026

What will be funded?
• Support for professional/personal development
• Education costs
• Equipment (e.g. sports equipment, a computer or software)
• Travel to attend a conference (and conference fees)

Judging
The current Good People Act Now Youth Action Group members, will receive and judge all nominations for the awards. Members of the Good People Act Now project are not eligible to apply for the award. The assessment panel's decision is final.

To apply for this award, please visit our website: www.goodpeopleactnow.org.au/gender-equality-award

Support for completing the application can be provided by Good People Act Now Project Coordinator, Georgia Ransome
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