

GEO Group offers \$2500 scholarships

THE GEO Group is investing in the future of Junee's next generation with its "Youth in Focus" scholarships returning for the second year.

Operators of the Junee Correctional Centre, the group provides the scholarships to help further the potential careers and interests of local residents.

There are three scholarships available; for sporting distinction, creative arts as well as academic excellence and each is worth \$2500.

"I've been able to speak to them (previous win-

ners) since last year's awards, they've all done very well since," GEO Group general manager Andy Walker said.

"They all put the money to good use."

The funds in the scholarship are expected to be used to help recipients continue their professional development, provide travel to sporting competitions or supplies for creative endeavours.

Criteria for the scholarships as well as application forms are available on the GEO Group's website. [www.the-](http://www.the-geogroupinc.com.au)

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To allow potential applicants to include as many of their successes as possible, Mr Walker said applications would be accepted until December 20.

The extra time means HSC and university results or other projects can be included in applications.

All applicants must be residents of Junee Shire and aged between 13 and 25 years old.

The awards will be presented during the Australia Day ceremony.



FUTURE FOCUS: The GEO Group's general manager Andy Walker and acting human resources manager Kelly Goodyer are looking for Junee youth who could be boosted by a grant of up to \$2500 for creative, sporting or academic pursuits.
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