



ourplace

Shifting the needle - a partnership between
philanthropy, government and community

Presented by

Julius Colman AM

Colman Foundation

Complex issues like entrenched disadvantage are a huge challenge for governments

How does Government respond when what they are doing (and have always done) isn't working?

Australia's education report card

- * In disadvantaged areas, 32% arrive at school developmentally vulnerable; 42% in Doveton (AEDC 2015).
- * Among the worst of all developed nations for the impact of disadvantage on education outcomes (UNICEF 2016)
- * By Year 9, there is an 8 year gap between the top and bottom 10% of students (Goss and Sonnermann 2016).

Our impact at Doveton

- * Our Early Learning rated “excellent” – only 52 out of 14,000
- * 31% decrease in average days absent - Prep to Year 6
- * 20% higher attendance for children who attended our ELC
- * Increase from 7% - 70% in participation in before/after school activities.
- * Top 50 most improved schools, Year 7-9 Naplan
- * Nearly 95% of our Year 3 students who attended our Early Learning Centre are above national minimum standard for reading, and nearly 70% are above standard for numeracy

Australian communities

At least 1.5 million Australians are in entrenched disadvantage (CEDA 2015)

And we can't seem to shift the needle – there has been little change in disadvantaged Victorian communities in the last 15 years (Vinson 2015)

A new approach is needed

Roebourne



Western Australia



1,410
people



206
services



63
Service
providers



\$41,600
per person per year



\$58.7m
per year



most programs meeting
requirements

Our impact at Doveton

- * 200 parents (!) currently enrolled in education and training
- * More than 100 parents we enrolled have gained employment since 2013
- * More than 75 parents are regular volunteers at the school

A place-based approach to addressing
disadvantage ...

... where school is the place

The dream

Bring community change.

.....

Do much more with less.

ourplace

an initiative of the Colman Foundation



For further information contact:

Julius Colman AM
julius@ourplace.org.au
Ph. 0407 040 844