

AGRICULTURE VICTORIA



YOUNG FARMERS

The Young Farmers Advisory Council is a group of eight dynamic and motivated young people from various agricultural industries and regions.



YOUNG FARMERS ADVISORY COUNCIL

A smaller highly focussed Council was appointed on 14 August 2018 for a second term. The Council consists of eight members representing Victoria's agriculture industries and regions. The new Council provides oversight of the implementation of the response to the recommendations of the previous Council. The Council also provides advice to government on relevant issues impacting young farmers.



YOUNG FARMERS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- The Young Farmers Scholarship Program was established in 2015 as an election commitment.
- Over the past four rounds (2015-2018), the Victorian Government has awarded 50 scholarships to young people in agriculture. This includes 27 women and 23 men.
- The total amount awarded to date, \$445,000.



The Young Farmers Ministerial Council was established in 2015 as an election commitment

- Over two years, Council members considered research and consulted extensively to develop eight key recommendations to support young people in agriculture. These recommendations were presented to the Minister for Agriculture on 5 September 2017.
- The recommendations are currently at various stages of implementation:
 - New service delivery models for business skills are being developed including a business skills e-learn module and a BestWool/BestLamb Virtual Young Farmer Pilot Group focussing on business skills;
 - three Young Farmer Business Bootcamps were delivered in 2018; and
 - a young farmer collaborative group has been established consisting of key young farmer networks, to enable greater support and communication.