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Young Musician's Talent Recognised

Boort local Elias Lanyon, 16, has recently released his debut single and music video, with help from Northern District Community Health's Youth Worker, Matt Allan.

The video was filmed locally in Boort on the singer's property, showcasing the natural surrounds, featuring the salt lake on sunset.

"The song is about getting away from it all and relaxing, something I love to do on the farm" said Elias. "We really captured that in the video. I was nervous for it all to happen because you always worry about people reactions to things like this, but I feel it went perfectly."

Elias added he has been fortunate to develop a love of music through some of the programs that his school, Boort District School, has been involved in.

Although upskilling young people is often an aspect of Matt Allan's role, the COVID-19 pandemic has made this challenging lately.

"This video project was a joint effort between Elias and NDCH and with help from his friends and family, it became a huge success" said NDCH Youth Health Promotion Worker, Matt Allan. "I enjoyed finding new ways to work with young people during a tough year and I look forward to more projects like this."

NDCH CEO Mandy Hutchinson said "Supporting youth leadership skills and volunteering is the cornerstone of NDCH's ENGAGE program".

Ms. Hutchinson added "During what has been a very difficult year for many in our community, our local young people have also been impacted significantly by COVID-19. Here at NDCH we will continue to do our best in supporting our young people, their families and school communities."

Elias Lanyon plans to continue on with his music and has started recording his debut album. "I would love to take music as far as I can and I'm looking forward to performing live more when COVID relaxes."

Elias's first music video, for his debut single "Fly Away" has been viewed close to 5000 times on social media platforms, Facebook, Instagram and YouTube.

To view Elias Lanyon's "Fly Away", visit @eliaslanyonmusic on Instagram or the NDCH Youth Events Facebook page.

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Pictured: Elias Lanyon on the set of "Fly Away"