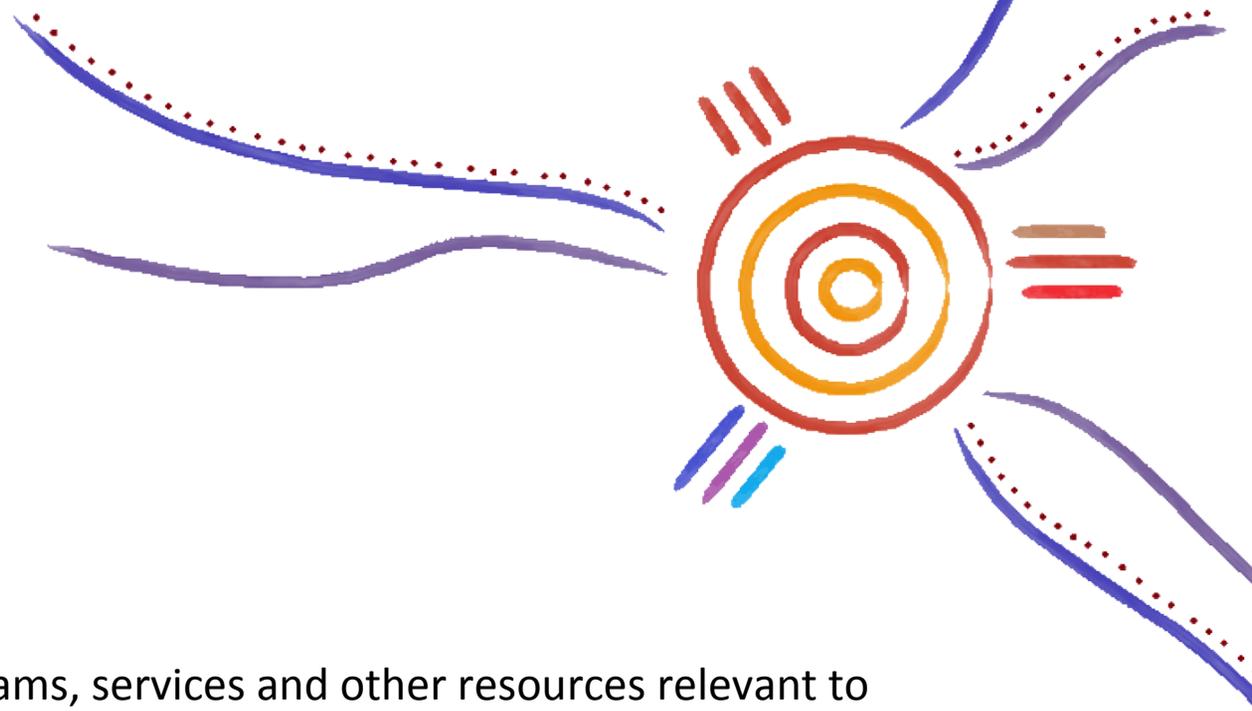


NATIONAL PBC FUNDING & TRAINING GUIDE

A guide to funding, training programs, services and other resources relevant to
Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBCs)

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INTRODUCTION

The National PBC Funding and Training Guide brings together information about funding opportunities, training programs, services and other resources that may be useful to Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBCs), also known as Registered Native Title Bodies Corporate (RNTBCs).¹ This guide was developed in response to recommendations from PBCs at national and regional meetings for more information about funding and training opportunities. This guide is designed to be used primarily as an on-line resource and throughout the guide you will find links to access additional on-line information. This toolkit includes information about:

- Grants (government and other funding)
- Grant writing assistance
- Training information
- Other assistance

In addition to the National PBC Funding and Training Guide there are also guides for:

- [New South Wales](#)
- [Northern Territory](#)
- [Queensland](#)
- [South Australia](#)
- [Victoria](#)
- [Western Australia](#)

The [PBC website](#) provides other useful information, including:

- A timeline of legislation and government policy for PBCs
- Profiles of each PBC
- Information about upcoming events for PBCs
- Monthly summaries of relevant news articles about PBCs

The PBC website is currently being looked after by the Native Title Research Unit at AIATSIS, who also coordinates a national email network of PBCs. Further information about PBCs can be found through the AIATSIS Native Title Research Unit's [Prescribed Bodies Corporate page](#) and [Native Title Information Handbook](#).

¹ The term Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC) derives from Part 2 Division 6 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (NTA), which provides that a Prescribed Body Corporate must be determined to manage native title rights and interests. The Native Title (Prescribed Bodies Corporate) Regulations 1999 prescribe the form or types of bodies that may be nominated when a determination recognising native title has been made. The term Registered Native Title Body Corporate (RNTBC) derives from the NTA and describes the organisation that is determined by the Court and entered on the National Native Title Register. Under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (Cth) an RNTBC will be required to have the words 'registered native title body corporate' or the abbreviation 'RNTBC' as part of its name. For the purpose of this document from this point forward the abbreviation PBCs will be used to refer to both Prescribed Bodies Corporate and Registered Native Title Bodies Corporate.



1 FUNDING

This section provides an overview of funding assistance available for PBCs. It covers:

- Searching for government and other grant funding
- Relevant grant funding for PBCs
- Sources of grant funding assistance

1.1 Searching for grant funding

The tables below provide links to assist PBCs to search for grant funding available from the Australian Government and from non-government organisations and the private sector. Table 1 provides links to a number of searchable databases. Table 2 provides links to Australian Government department grant funding websites.

Table 1: Grant funding databases

| Category | Name | Hyperlink |
|--------------------------------|---|---|
| Australian Government Database | Community Grants: a quick guide to key internet links | http://www.aph.gov.au/About_Parliament/Parliamentary_Departments/Parliamentary_Library/pubs/rp/rp1516/Quick_Guides/ComGrants |
| Australian Government Database | Grants and Assistance Finder | https://www.business.gov.au/assistance |
| Non-Government Database | GrantReady – Community GrantGuru | http://community.grantready.com.au/ |
| Non-Government Database | GrantReady – Business GrantGuru | http://business.grantguru.com.au/ |



| Category | Name | Hyperlink |
|---|--|---|
| Subscription-based Database (Note: these sites charge a fee to access information. Their listing here is not an endorsement) | GrantSearch | http://www.grantsearch.com.au/ |
| Subscription-based Database (Note: these sites charge a fee to access information. Their listing here is not an endorsement) | Our Community – Funding Centre | http://www.fundingcentre.com.au/grant/home |
| Subscription-based Database (Note: these sites charge a fee to access information. Their listing here is not an endorsement) | Philanthropy Australia – Australian Directory of Funders | http://www.philanthropy.org.au/seek-funding/access-grant-makers/ |



Table 2: Australian Government department grant funding websites

| Category | Name | Hyperlink |
|--|--|---|
| Australian Government (Indigenous-specific) | ESub (Electronic submissions for some Indigenous Programs) | https://apps.indigenous.gov.au/eSub/PublicPages/IntroInformation.aspx |
| Australian Government (Indigenous-specific) | Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet – Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) | https://www.dpmc.gov.au/indigenous-affairs/grants-and-funding |
| Australian Government (Indigenous-specific) | Indigenous.gov.au | http://www.indigenous.gov.au/news-and-media/grants-and-funding |
| Australian Government (Indigenous-specific) | Department of Communications and the Arts: Indigenous culture, languages and visual arts funding | https://www.arts.gov.au/what-we-do/indigenous-arts-and-languages |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Australia Council for the Arts | http://australiacouncil.gov.au/funding/new-grants-model/ |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of Agriculture | http://www.agriculture.gov.au/about/assistance-grants-tenders |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of Communications | https://www.communications.gov.au/documents/grant-reporting-department-communications-indigenous-broadcasting-program |



| Category | Name | Hyperlink |
|--|---|---|
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of Education and Training | http://www.education.gov.au/grants |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of Employment | http://employment.gov.au/grants |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of the Environment and Energy | http://www.environment.gov.au/about/programs/index.html |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of Health | http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/Listing+of+Tenders+and+Grants-1#doha |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of Human Services | http://www.australia.gov.au/search/site/grants |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development | http://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/funding/ |
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | Department of Social Services | https://www.dss.gov.au/grants |



| Category | Name | Hyperlink |
|--|-------------------------------|---|
| Australian Government Departments and Agencies | National Library of Australia | http://www.nla.gov.au/services/awards.html |



1.2 Relevant grant funding for PBCs

The tables below provide details of grant funding offered by the Australian Government and other sources for activities related to the exercise of native title rights and interests. Links are provided to each program website. While every effort has been made to ensure that details are correct, users of this guide are advised to contact the relevant organisation or visit the relevant website to confirm program details and closing dates.

It is important to note that the Australian Government introduced the Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) on 1 July 2014. The IAS replaced more than 150 individual programs and activities with five broad-based programs:

- Jobs, Land and Economy
- Children and Schooling
- Safety and Wellbeing
- Culture and Capability
- Remote Australia Strategies

Most Indigenous-specific funding available through the Australian Government can now be applied for through the IAS which is administered by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C). The IAS Grant Guidelines were finalised in March 2016. Relevant PBC funding policies can be found in Section 22.1 (Jobs, Land and Economy). Further information about the IAS can be found at:

<https://www.dpmc.gov.au/resource-centre/indigenous-affairs/indigenous-advancement-strategy-grant-guidelines-march-2016>

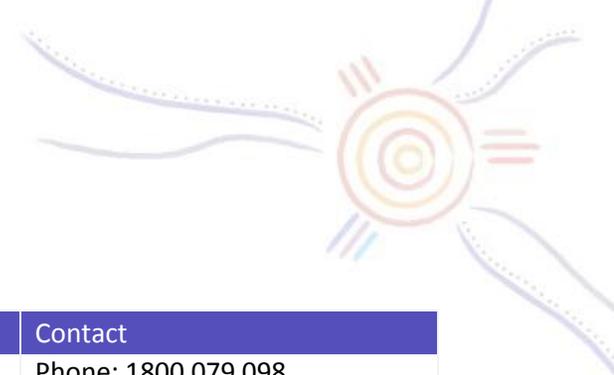


Table 3: Grant funding for PBCs through Australian Government departments

| Subject | Program | Program Details | Department | Closing Date | Contact |
|---------|--|---|--|--|--|
| General | Indigenous Advancement Strategy | <p>The Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) replaces most previous Indigenous grant funding programs with a single program with five streams:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jobs, Land and Economy • Children and Schooling • Safety and Wellbeing • Culture and Capability • Remote Australia Strategies <p>Organisations can apply for funding from one or more of these streams through a single application, and receive a single funding agreement from PM&C.</p> | Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet | Contact the department or check the website for details. | <p>Phone: 1800 079 098</p> <p>All enquiries relating to the IAS Grants should be directed to your local Regional Network Office. See contacts page for more information and locations.</p> |
| Arts | Indigenous Programs – Screen Australia | <p>Screen Australia supports creative ambitious projects which have imaginative, resonant stories authored by Indigenous Australians. There are several streams of funding, including, documentary, drama and multi-platform. Please check the website for a full description.</p> | Screen Australia | Contact the department or check the website for details. | <p>Phone: (02) 8113 5800</p> <p>Freecall: 1800 213 099</p> <p>Fax: (02) 8113 5888</p> <p>Email: info@screenaustralia.gov.au</p> |



| Subject | Program | Program Details | Department | Closing Date | Contact |
|---------|---|---|---|---|--|
| Arts | Indigenous Visual Arts Industry Support (IVAIS) | Provides funding to support professional development and training activities in the Indigenous visual arts industry. | Department of Communications and the Arts | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 006 992 Email: ivais@arts.gov.au |
| Arts | Regional Arts Fund | Supports cultural development in communities across regional and remote Australia; it particularly encourages the establishment of networks and partnerships to promote social inclusion, the exchange of ideas and to create growth and opportunities in regional communities. | Department of Communications and the Arts | Please refer to the relevant regional arts organisation websites for round opening and closing dates. | Email: regional@arts.gov.au Contact details are available on each regional arts organisation's website: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • artsACT • Arts NT • Country Arts SA • Country Arts WA • Artslink Queensland • Regional Arts NSW • Regional Arts Victoria • Tasmanian Regional Arts |



| Subject | Program | Program Details | Department | Closing Date | Contact |
|-------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|--|--|
| Business Support | Business Growth Grants | <p>Business Growth Grant funding can be used to engage a consultant/s to make improvements to your business that may have been recommended by your Adviser or Facilitator.</p> <p>Your business will be reimbursed up to half the cost of engaging the consultant, to a maximum of \$20,000 (excluding GST).</p> | Department of Business | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 13 28 46 Email: media@industry.gov.au See contact page for more contact information. |
| Community Support | Families and Communities Programme | Provides early intervention and prevention support to families, children, young people and other individuals with special circumstances. Priorities include activities to improve financial wellbeing and capability, strengthen communities and ensure the lifetime wellbeing of families and children. | Department of Social Services | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 020 283 Email: support@communitygrants.gov.au |



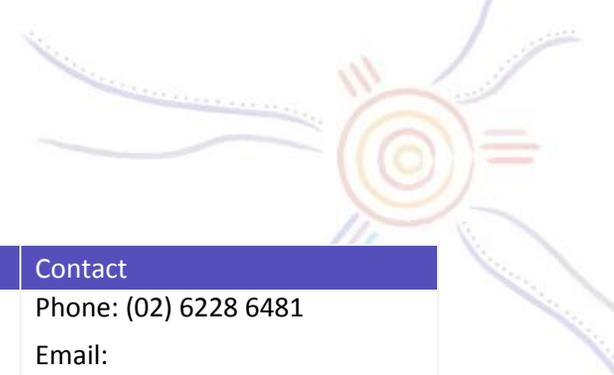
| Subject | Program | Program Details | Department | Closing Date | Contact |
|-------------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| Cultural Heritage | Community Heritage Grants | The Community Heritage Grants program provides grants of up to \$15,000 to community organisations such as libraries, archives, museums, genealogical and historical societies, multicultural and Indigenous groups. The grants are provided to assist with the preservation of locally owned, but nationally significant collections of materials that are publicly accessible including artefacts, letters, diaries, maps, photographs, and audio visual material. | National Library of Australia | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: (02) 6262 1111 Email: chg@nla.gov.au |
| Cultural Heritage | Indigenous Arts and Language Program | This program provides funding that supports the maintenance and continued development of Indigenous language and art programs. | Department of Communications and the Arts | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 006 992. Email: ila@arts.gov.au |
| Infrastructure | Natural Disaster Resilience Program | Provides funding for disaster mitigation works as well as support for emergency management volunteers. | Attorney-General's Department | Check your relevant State or Territory NDRP website for details. | The Natural Disaster Resilience Program is administered in partnership with State and Territory Governments. See Attorney-General's website for relevant contact information in these areas. |



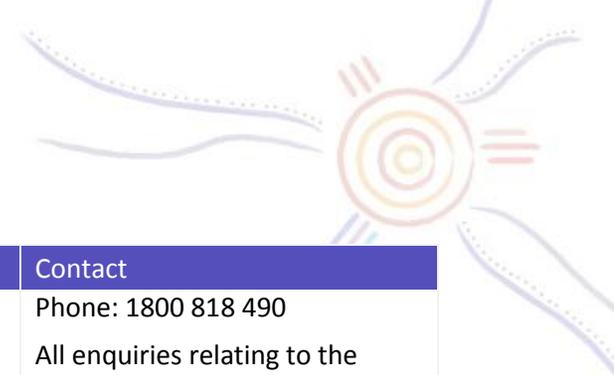
| Subject | Program | Program Details | Department | Closing Date | Contact |
|----------------|--|---|---|--|---|
| Land and Water | Emissions Reduction Fund | Through the Emissions Reduction Fund, the Government will purchase lowest cost abatement from a wide range of sources, providing an incentive to businesses, households and landowners to proactively reduce their emissions. | Department of Environment and Energy | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 852 974 Online enquiries can be made at the Department of Environment and Energy website . |
| Land and Water | Indigenous Advancement Strategy – Jobs, Land and Economy | Provides support to connect working age Indigenous Australians with jobs, foster Indigenous business and assist Indigenous people to generate economic and social benefits from economic assets, including Indigenous-owned land. | Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 079 098 All enquiries relating to the IAS Grants should be directed to your local Regional Network Office. See contacts page for more information and locations. |
| Land and Water | Innovation Grants | Innovation Grants will give farmers, fishermen, groups and businesses more tools to implement sustainable practices, reduce farm costs and build productivity. | Department of Agriculture and Water Resources | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 900 090 Online enquiries can be made at the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources website . |



| Subject | Program | Program Details | Department | Closing Date | Contact |
|----------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| Land and Water | National Landcare Programme – Indigenous Natural Resource Management | The National Landcare Programme through the Indigenous Natural Resource Management program supports Indigenous land and sea managers to make a substantial and sustained impact in the management of natural resources in Australia. | Department of the Environment Department of Agriculture | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 552 008 All enquiries relating to the Indigenous Natural Resource Management Programme should be directed to your local Regional Landcare Facilitators. See contacts page for more information and locations. |
| Land and Water | Green Army | The Green Army Programme provides opportunities for all young Australians aged 17-24 to gain training and experience in environmental and heritage conservation fields and explore careers in conservation management, while participating in projects that generate benefits for the Australian environment. | Department of the Environment | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 780 730 Email: greenarmy@environment.gov.au |



| Subject | Program | Program Details | Department | Closing Date | Contact |
|----------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| Land and Water | Indigenous Protected Areas Programme | <p>Indigenous communities apply to the Government for support to consult with their community and other stakeholders on whether an Indigenous Protected Area (IPA) is the right future for their country. They then apply to the Government for support to consult with their community and other stakeholders on what an IPA declaration would mean for them.</p> <p>Indigenous landowners thinking about establishing an IPA on their land can also access Government support for on legal, cultural heritage and conservation aspects of their proposed IPA.</p> | Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet | Contact the department or check the website for updates. | Phone: (02) 6228 6481 Email: IndigenousEnvironment@pmc.gov.au |
| Land and Water | Environment, Carbon and Heritage Program | The ILC works with Indigenous landowners, the Australian Government and industry to maximise opportunities for Indigenous people in the emerging carbon and environmental economy. | Indigenous Land Corporation | Contact the department or check the website for updates. | Phone: 1800 818 490 All enquiries relating to the Environment, Carbon and Heritage Programme should be directed to your ILC Divisional Offices. See contacts page for more information and locations. |

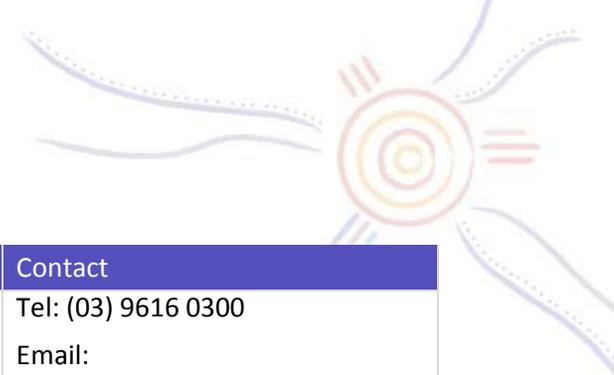


| Subject | Program | Program Details | Department | Closing Date | Contact |
|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Land and Water | Land Acquisition Program | The ILC acquires and grants properties to Indigenous organisations to achieve Indigenous benefits. | Indigenous Land Corporation | Applications for cultural and environmental acquisitions can be submitted at any time of the year. | Phone: 1800 818 490 All enquiries relating to the Environment, Carbon and Heritage Programme should be directed to your ILC Divisional Offices. See contacts page for more information and locations. |
| Land and Water | 20 Million Trees Programme | The Australian Government will work with the community to plant 20 million trees by 2020, to re-establish green corridors and urban forests. | Department of the Environment Department of Agriculture | Contact the department or check website for details. | Phone: 1800 552 008 Email: 20milliontrees@environment.gov.au |



Table 4: Grant funding for PBCs through other sources

| Subject | Program | Program Details | Organisation | Closing Date | Contact |
|---------|---|---|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Arts | Aboriginal Benefits Foundation Grants | The Foundation provides grants to assist Aboriginal communities and individuals by providing funds to support projects which advance the aims of the Foundation, with the current focus on supporting art, health and cultural projects with a connection to Aboriginal art and/or artists. | Aboriginal Benefits Foundation | Grant applications are considered by the Board of the Foundation at each directors meeting. The Board currently meets approximately 6 - 8 times each year. In extreme and special circumstances the Board may allocate funds outside these guidelines. Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Email: info@aboriginal.org.au |
| Arts | The Ian Potter Foundation - Arts | This program seeks to support cultural institutions and organisations in Australia which are distinctive in artistic achievement, imagination and innovation; and to extend cultural opportunities to regional centres, and encourage the development of arts programs at a local level. | The Ian Potter Foundation | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Phone: (03) 9650 3188 Email: admin@ianpotter.org.au |



| Subject | Program | Program Details | Organisation | Closing Date | Contact |
|-------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| Arts | Australia Cultural Fund | Creative Partnerships Australia is able to use its deductible gift recipient (DGR) status to receive donations and grants and pass them on to not-for-profit arts organisations that do not (or do not yet) have DGR status and individual artists who cannot obtain DGR. | Creative Partnerships Australia - Australian Business Arts Foundation (AbaF) | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Tel: (03) 9616 0300 Email: hello@australianculturalfund.org.au |
| Business Support | Indigenous Social Enterprise Fund | The Indigenous Social Enterprise Fund (ISEF) will provide investment and business support to Indigenous social enterprises. | Social Ventures Australia | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Phone: (03) 8688 0054 Email: aoppes@socialventures.com.au |
| Community Support | Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal Grants | The Foundation provides discretionary grants to not-for-profit organisations working to strengthen rural and regional communities across Australia. | Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Phone: (03) 5430 2399 Phone: 1800 170 020 Email: info@frrr.org.au |
| Community Support | The Ian Potter Foundation – Community Wellbeing Program | Aims to alleviate disadvantage and promote the general wellbeing of the community. | The Ian Potter Foundation | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Phone: (03) 9650 3188 Email: admin@ianpotter.org.au |



| Subject | Program | Program Details | Organisation | Closing Date | Contact |
|-------------------|--|--|--|---|---|
| Community Support | Jetstar Flying Start | Jetstar's Flying Start Programme invites community groups and organisations across Australia to apply for a grant for \$30,000, made up of \$15,000 cash and \$15,000 worth of travel with Jetstar, to fund a project that will enrich the lives of people in their local community. | Jetstar | Applications deadlines differ for states/territories. See website for up to date information. | Additional information can be found on Jetstar Flying Starts website . |
| Community Support | Mercy Foundation Social Justice Small Grants Program | The Mercy Foundation offers small grants for a range of social justice and community initiatives. | Mercy Foundation | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Tel: (02) 9911 7390 Email: office@mercyfoundation.com.au |
| Community Support | Sidney Myer Fund & The Myer Foundation Poverty and Disadvantage Grants | Aims to address underlying problems that give rise to poverty and disadvantage, and to find ways to strengthen systems, services, communities and individuals to prevent poverty and to reduce disadvantage for those who are most at risk. | Sidney Myer Fund & The Myer Foundation | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Phone: (03) 8672 5555 Email: admin@myerfoundation.org.au |
| Community Support | Scanlon Foundation Community Grants | Invests in ideas that result in sustainable outcomes and achieve social and structural change that support a more cohesive Australian society and draws strength and pride from its diversity. | Scanlon Foundation | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Additional information including contact information can be found on the Scanlon Foundation website . |



| Subject | Program | Program Details | Organisation | Closing Date | Contact |
|-------------------|--|---|---------------------------|--|---|
| Community Support | Wesfarmers Community Partnerships Sponsorship | The Wesfarmers partnerships program is focused on four key areas: the arts, indigenous communities, health and medical research; and education. | Wesfarmers | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Phone: (08) 9327 4211 Email: info@wesfarmers.com.au |
| Land and Water | The Ian Potter Foundation – Environment and Conservation Program | Sustainability, preservation of biodiversity and landscape-scale conservation are important but complex challenges. This fund supports initiatives aimed at addressing these areas. | The Ian Potter Foundation | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Phone: (03) 9650 3188 Email: admin@ianpotter.org.au |
| Youth | Telstra Foundation | The Telstra Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Telstra and provides support for non-profits seeking to connect future generations across Australia. | Telstra Foundation | Contact the organisation or check website for details. | Additional information including contact information can be found on the Telstra Foundation website . |



1.3 Applying for grant funding

The table below provides a list of resources to assist PBCs with applying for grant funding. The list includes guides to writing grant funding applications. It also includes guides to crowdfunding – a relatively new way of raising funds through donations of money from the public using crowdfunding websites.

Table 5: Grant funding assistance and training

| Subject | Program | Information | Resources |
|------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Guides to writing a grant proposal | Community Door – Funding page | <p>Community Door is a gateway for community-managed organisations to access key information to assist in all aspects of operation.</p> <p>Community Door is managed and developed by the Queensland Council of Social Services. It is funded by the Queensland Department of Communities.</p> | Writing a submission for funding |
| Guides to writing a grant proposal | The Grantseeker Manual – Community Builders NSW | <p>This manual covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand what grantmakers will be looking for when they read grant applications • Plan your project • Write an application for funding which tells the grantmaker what you are planning to do. • Keep up a relationship with the grantmaker that enhances your chances of future success. <p>There is also a Glossary to assist with any unfamiliar terms. You will also find a detailed list of links, further reading and resources to help expand your knowledge on all aspects of the grantseeking process.</p> | Grant Seekers Manual |
| Guides to writing a grant proposal | Our Community Funding Centre | Our Community’s Funding Centre offers a range of resources for organisations seeking grants. Some resources are free while others require payment. Our Community also offers training for a fee. | N/A |



| Subject | Program | Information | Resources |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Crowdfunding guides | Australian Government | Crowdfunding is a relatively new approach that is being used by groups to raise funds through donations of money from the public. This is commonly done through crowdfunding websites. PBCs may wish to consider crowdfunding as a way to raise funds to undertake a particular project. | N/A |
| Crowdfunding guides | Queensland Government | Crowdfunding is a relatively new approach that is being used by groups to raise funds through donations of money from the public. This is commonly done through crowdfunding websites. PBCs may wish to consider crowdfunding as a way to raise funds to undertake a particular project. | N/A |

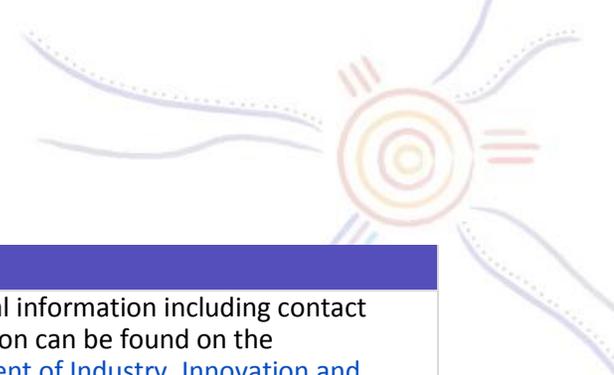


2 TRAINING INFORMATION

PBC directors, members and staff may require training to ensure that they are able to deal with issues of decision making, dispute management, communication, governance, business management, as well as land and resource management. The table below provides a list of training courses and training providers that may be of interest to PBCs.

Table 6: Training providers and courses

| Organisation | Courses | Information | Locations | Contact |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC) | AILC Courses and Programs | The AILC offers a range of courses in Indigenous leadership and governance. | Check website for details. | Phone: (02) 6251 5770 Email: enquiries@ailc.org.au |
| Australian Institute of Company Directors | Professional Development for Directors | A range of courses are offered that are designed for the professional development of company directors. | Check course calendar for details. | All enquiries relating to the Australian Institute of Company Directors should be directed to your local office. See contacts page for more information and locations. |
| Department of the Environment | Register of Cultural Heritage Management Training Providers | The Register of Cultural Heritage Management Training Providers has been developed as a resource for Indigenous land and sea managers who want to undertake training in cultural heritage management. The website lists various individuals and organisations that offer formal and informal cultural heritage management training across Australia. | Check website for details. | Phone: (02) 6247 1111 See Department of Environment Website for more information on individual training providers. |



| Organisation | Courses | Information | Locations | Contact |
|------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Department of Communications | Digital Enterprise programme | The Digital Enterprise programme provides free group training and face-to-face support for small-to-medium enterprises and not-for-profit organisations to help improve the way they do business and deliver services online. | Contact the department or check website for details. | Additional information including contact information can be found on the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science website . |
| Department of Communications | Virtual Advisor Program | <p>The Virtual Advisor Program gives free training to people who want to set up an online business or improve their current skills to make the most of the Internet.</p> <p>The program is available to all small to medium enterprises and non-profits that identify as Indigenous and are located in regional, rural and remote areas of Australia.</p> | Contact TAFE NSW Western Institute for details. | Phone: 1300 823 393 Registration can be made on the TAFE NSW Western Institute will deliver the Virtual Advisor Program website . |



| Organisation | Courses | Information | Locations | Contact |
|--|--|---|---|--|
| Indigenous Business Australia | Into Business | Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) offers free Into Business™ workshops as part of its Business Development and Assistance Program for aspiring Indigenous entrepreneurs. The workshops are designed to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to fully investigate and research their business ideas before taking the leap into business ownership. | Check website for full list of dates and locations. | Phone: 1800 107 107 Additional information including contact information can be found on the IBA website . |
| Melbourne Business School | Murra Indigenous Business Masterclass Program | The MURRA Indigenous Business Master Class Program is an innovative education and mentoring program for established Indigenous entrepreneurs. | Melbourne – Dates for the programs can be found on the MURRA website . | Email: L.Hoang@mbs.edu |
| Australian Rural Leadership Foundation | National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Leaders Program | The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Leaders Program (NATSILP) supports participants to engage with a range of critical local and national issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. The program learns from previous leaders and connects emerging leaders with the aim of providing longer-term support. | Various location throughout Australia – See Australian Rural Leadership Foundation website for further information. | Phone: (02) 6281 0680 Additional information including online contact forms can be found at NATSILP website . |



| Organisation | Courses | Information | Locations | Contact |
|---|--|---|---|---|
| Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) | Introduction to Corporate Governance workshops | <p>ORIC offers a range of free courses and will pay for travel, accommodation and training costs for participants to attend their closest training.</p> <p>Applications are welcome from all directors, future directors, members and key staff of Indigenous corporations registered under the CATSI Act.</p> <p>ORIC also offers corporate specific training which is tailored to meet the individual requirements of the group or corporation requesting it and is available upon request.</p> | <p>Dates and locations are updated bi-annually and are available on ORICs Introduction to Corporate Governance Workshops website.</p> | <p>Phone: 1800 622 431</p> <p>Email: training@oric.gov.au</p> |



3 OTHER ASSISTANCE

Native title holders, through PBCs, may seek to establish relationships with a range of organisations that may be able to provide assistance, advice, information or resources.

Key sources of assistance for PBCs are Native Title Representative Bodies (NTRBs) and Native Title Service Providers (NTSPs). The roles and functions of NTRBs and NTSPs include providing assistance to native title holders in relation to native title applications, future acts, Indigenous land use agreements, rights of access and other matters.

The National Native Title Tribunal [map of native title representative body regions](#) highlights jurisdictional boundaries.

The table below provides a list of all NTRBs and NTSPs across Australia by state/territory and region.

Table 7: Native Title Representative Bodies and Native Title Service Providers

| State | Region | Organisation | Organisation Type | Contact |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|
| New South Wales | New South Wales | NTSCORP Ltd | Native Title Service Provider | Phone: (02) 9310 3188 Toll Free: 1800 111 844 Email: information@ntscorp.com.au |
| Northern Territory | Northern Northern Territory | Northern Land Council | Native Title Representative Body | Phone: (08) 8920 5100 |
| Northern Territory | Southern Northern Territory | Central Land Council | Native Title Representative Body | Phone: (08) 8951 6211 |
| Queensland | Torres Strait | Torres Strait Regional Authority | Native Title Representative Body | Phone: (07) 40690 700 Toll Free: 1800 079 093 Email: info@tsra.gov.au |
| Queensland | Cape York Region | Cape York Land Council | Native Title Representative Body | Phone: (07) 4053 9222 Freecall: 1800 623 548 Email: info@cylc.org.au |



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| Queensland | Carpentaria Gulf Region | Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation | Native Title Service Provider | <p>Burketown Office Phone: (07) 4745 5132 Freecall: 1800 445 115</p> <p>Cairns Office Phone: (07) 4041 3833 Email: info@clcac.com.au</p> <p>Normanton Office Phone: (07) 4745 1556</p> |
| Queensland | North Queensland Region | North Queensland Land Council | Native Title Representative Body | Freecall: 1800 814 779 |
| Queensland | Southern and Western Queensland Region | Queensland South Native Title Services | Native Title Service Provider | Phone: (07) 3224 1200 Freecall: 1800 663 693 Email: reception@qsnts.com.au |
| South Australia | Greater South Australia | South Australian Native Title Services | Native Title Service Provider | Phone: (08) 8110 2800 Freecall: 1800 010 360 |
| Victoria | Victoria | Native Title Services Victoria | Native Title Service Provider | Phone: (03) 9321 5300 Free call: 1800 791 779 |
| Western Australia | Central Desert | Central Desert Native Title Services Ltd | Native Title Service Provider | Phone: (08) 9425 2000 Free Call: 1800 189 936 Email: reception@centraldesert.org.au |



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| Western Australia | Geraldton | Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation | Native Title Representative Body | Phone: (08) 9268 7000 |
| Western Australia | Goldfields | Goldfields Land and Sea Council Aboriginal Corporation | Native Title Representative Body | <p>Kalgoorlie-Boulder Head Office</p> <p>Phone: (08) 9091 1661 Freecall: 1800 681 661 Email: reception@glc.com.au</p> <p>Perth Office</p> <p>Phone: (08) 9263 8700</p> |
| Western Australia | Kimberley | Kimberley Land Council | Native Title Representative Body | <p>Phone: (08) 9194 0100</p> <p>Email: klc@klc.org.au</p> |
| Western Australia | Pilbara | Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation | Native Title Representative Body | Phone: (08) 9268 7000 |
| Western Australia | South West | South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council | Native Title Representative Body | <p>Phone: (08) 9358 7400</p> <p>Email: reception1@noongar.org.au</p> |

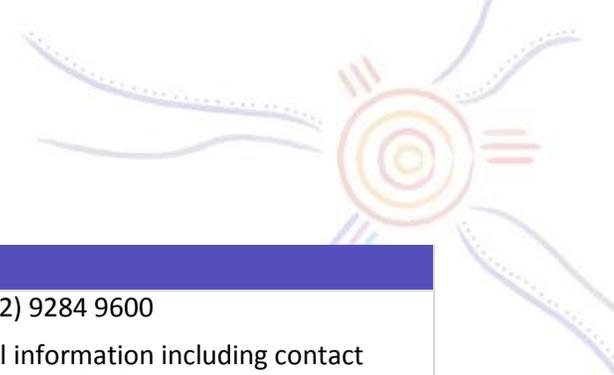


Some other organisations of interest are listed in the table below. The assistance available through these organisations is grouped by the following themes.

- Administration and governance
- Advocacy and support
- Employment
- Information and procedural assistance
- Interns and Volunteers
- Land and water
- Language
- Legal
- Research
- Whole of Government

Table 8: Other assistance available

| Subject | Organisation | Details | Contact |
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| Administration and governance | Australian Indigenous Governance Institute | AIGI connects Indigenous groups, individuals and organisations to world-class best-practice expertise and knowledge, with a focus on building sustainable, effective and legitimate governance on the ground. | Phone: 0498 880 025 Additional information including contact information can be found on the AIGI website . |
| Administration and governance | Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) | ORIC supports and regulates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporations. In addition to the training programs listed above, ORIC provides a range of useful fact sheets and guides, including 'A guide to writing good governance rules for PBCs and RNTBCs'. | Phone: 1800 622 431 Email: info@oric.gov.au |
| Advocacy and support | Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTAR) | ANTAR seeks to influence governments, through advocacy and lobbying, to show genuine leadership and build cross-party commitment to Indigenous policy. | Phone: (02) 9280 0060 Additional information including contact information can be found on the ANTaR website . |



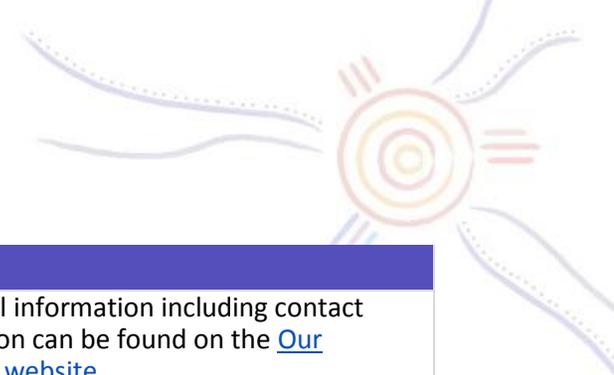
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| Advocacy and support | Australian Human Rights Commission | The Australian Human Rights Commission promotes a human rights perspective on native title; assists in developing more efficient native title processes; and advocates for the co-existence of Indigenous and non-Indigenous land interests. | Phone: (02) 9284 9600 Additional information including contact information can be found on the AHRC website . |
| Advocacy and support | The Healing Foundation | An independent Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation with a focus on healing in communities. The Healing Foundation supports culturally strong and locally run Indigenous healing programs and funds education and research on Indigenous healing. | Additional information including contact information can be found on the Healing Foundation website . |
| Advocacy and support | National Congress of Australia's First Peoples | The National Congress of Australia's First Peoples was established as a national voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. As a company the Congress is owned and controlled by its membership and is independent of government. It advocates for recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People's status and rights as First Nations Peoples in Australia. | Phone: (02) 8070 3100 Freecall: 1800 266 477 General Email: info@nationalcongress.com.au |
| Advocacy and support | Reconciliation Australia | Reconciliation Australia is an independent, national not-for-profit organisation promoting reconciliation by building relationships, respect and trust between the wider Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. | Phone: (02) 6273 9200 Email: enquiries@reconciliation.org.au |
| Employment | Indigenous Employment Program | Provides a range of programs that aim to be responsive to the needs of employers, Indigenous Australians and their communities. | See Australian Government website for information on government departments. |
| Employment | Vocational Training and Employment Centres (VTEC) | VTECs connect Indigenous job seekers with guaranteed jobs and bring together the support services necessary to prepare job seekers for long term employment. The guarantee of a job before job-specific training starts is the key feature of VTECs. | Phone: (02) 8097 8902 Email: info@generationone.org.au |



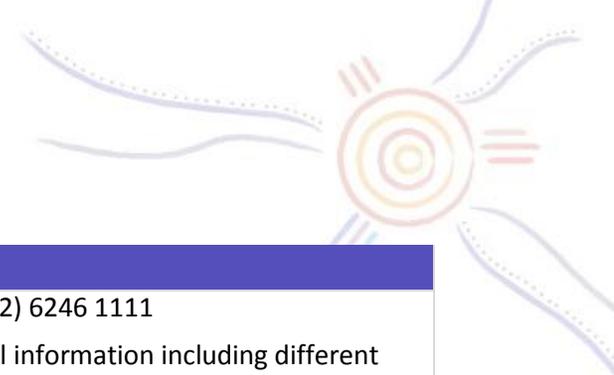
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| Information & procedural assistance | National Native Title Tribunal | The National Native Title Tribunal provides native title assistance with respect to native title claimant applications, mediating native title claims, notification of native title applications and indigenous land use agreements. They maintain the Register of Native Title Claims, the National Native Title Register and the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements and make arbitral decisions about some future act matters. | Phone: 1800 640 501 Email: enquiries@nntt.gov.au |
| Interns and Volunteers | Aurora Native Title Internship Program | Aurora internships provide opportunities for university students and graduates in law, anthropology and social sciences to gain experience in the native title field, particularly with NTRBs, while also providing additional resources to organisations in need of assistance. Your PBC may be eligible to host an intern. | Phone: (02) 9310 8400 Additional information including contact information can be found on The Aurora Project website . |
| Interns and Volunteers | Indigenous Community Volunteers | ICV works in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and organisations by linking skilled and trained volunteers to help in a practical way. | Phone: 1800 819 542 Email: info@icv.com.au |
| Interns and Volunteers | Pro Bono Australia | Provides an online hub for communities and people who want to know more about the national community sector. Information includes which charities offer which services, what Australian businesses are doing within their community, what volunteering opportunities there may be, what jobs are open and the latest news affecting the sector. | Phone: (03) 8080 5650 Email: admin@probonoaustralia.com.au |
| Interns and Volunteers | Volunteering Australia | Volunteering Australia is the National peak body for volunteering working to advance volunteering in the Australian community. Resources for Volunteer Managers are available from the website. | Phone: (02) 6251 4060 Email: marketing@volunteeringaustralia.org |



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| Land and water | Australian Government natural resource management officers | Australian Government NRM Officers work at a state or territory level, and have a detailed understanding of the National Landcare Programme and other related NRM policies and programs. Their role is to help governments, regional bodies, landcare and community groups, and other natural resource management organisations understand the opportunities through the National Landcare Programme, to support program and project delivery and to inform policy makers on regional issues. | All enquiries relating to the Australian Government Natural Resource Management Offices should be directed to your local Regional Landcare Facilitators. See contacts page for more information and locations. |
| Land and water | Bush Heritage Australia | Bush Heritage builds partnerships with Aboriginal people who are connected with their reserves, and traditional landowners throughout Australia. | Phone: 1300 628 873 Email: info@bushheritage.org.au |
| Land and water | Greening Australia | Greening Australia seeks to engage the community in vegetation management and to protect and restore the health, diversity and productivity of Australian landscapes. | Phone: 1800 886 589 Email: info@greeningaustralia.org.au |
| Land and water | Indigenous Land Corporation | The ILC is a corporate Commonwealth entity, established in 1995, with the purpose of assisting Indigenous people to acquire and manage land to achieve economic, environmental, social and cultural benefits. | All enquiries should be directed to your ILC Divisional Offices. See contacts page for more information and locations. |
| Land and water | Landcare Australia | Provides a partnership between community, government and business to protect and repair the environment, through bushcare, rivercare, coastcare, urban landcare, and sustainable agriculture. | Landcare Australia has a number of offices throughout Australia. See contacts page for more information and locations. |
| Land and water | North Australian Indigenous Land and Sea Management Alliance (NAILSMA) | Provides a bioregional forum for Indigenous land and sea managers across North Australia. It supports practical Indigenous land and sea management, emphasising practical management by Traditional Owners across the whole of the North. | Phone: 0488 068 738 Email: admin@nailsma.org.au |



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| Language | Our Languages | The Our Languages website has been produced as a place to share and collaborate on activities surrounding Australia's traditional Aboriginal languages. | Additional information including contact information can be found on the Our Language website . |
| Legal | ATSILS Pro Bono Guide | This guide developed by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Service (ATSILS) provides information on how to obtain pro bono assistance, the main organisations that provide pro bono services, and the range of services that might be available. | Phone: (02) 9385 7381 Email: info@probonocentre.org.au |
| Legal | Australian Government Solicitor's Pro Bono Program | As a government-owned business and statutory authority, AGS can only undertake pro bono work that involves acting for a person or body for whom AGS can act in accordance with its functions and powers as provided for under its enabling legislation, the Judiciary Act 1903. AGS does not undertake pro bono work in any matter against a Commonwealth agency or where there is an unacceptable potential for conflict of interest for government clients. Despite these limitations, AGS have developed an extensive pro bono program, which covers a diverse range of clients all across Australia and also internationally. | Phone: (02) 6253 7000 Additional information including contact information can be found on the AGS website . |
| Legal | National Association of Community Legal Centres | National Association of Community Legal Centres (NACLC) are independently operating not-for-profit community organisations that provide legal and related services to the public, focusing on the disadvantaged and people with special needs. | Phone: (02) 9264 9595 Email: naclc@clc.net.au |
| Research | Agreements, Treaties and Negotiated Settlements Project (ATNS) | ATNS provides information that examines treaty and agreement-making with Indigenous Australians. An online database provides a gateway to current information, historical detail and published material relating to agreements made between Indigenous people and others in Australia and overseas. | Phone: (03) 8344 9163 Email: atns-team@unimelb.edu.au |



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| Research | Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) | AIATSIS is the world’s premier institution for information and research about the cultures and lifestyles of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, past and present. | Phone: (02) 6246 1111 Additional information including different departments within AIATSIS and contact information can be found on the AIATSIS website . |
| Research | Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research, Australian National University | CAEPR is a social science research body focusing on Indigenous economic and social policy from a national perspective. CAEPR aims to undertake social science research on Indigenous policy and development that informs intellectual understanding, public debate, policy formation and community action. Their website offers a number of features including open access to research results and publications. | Phone: (02) 6125 0587 Email: caepradmin.cass@anu.edu.au |
| Research | Desert Knowledge Australia | Desert Knowledge Australia is a national organisation committed to building harmony, sustainability and prosperity for all Australian desert people, both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal. | Phone: (08) 8959 6000 Email: info@desertknowledge.com.au |
| Research | Ninti One – Cooperative Research Centre for Remote Economic Participation | CR-REP is focused on delivering solutions to the economic disadvantage that affects remote Australia. Through its research, CRC-REP provides practical responses to the complex issues that can restrict full economic participation. | Phone: (08) 7905 5510 Email: info@nintione.com.au |



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| Whole-of-government | Australian Government Regional Network | This website provides details of the regional network of Australian Government offices to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The website will help you to find the office nearest to you. | Australian Government Regional Network has a number of offices throughout Australia. See contacts page for more information and locations. |



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