



BLOODWOOD TREE BANTER

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NEW MINI MART SUPPORTS THE LOCAL COMMUNITY



service providing an affordable and consistent supply of nutritious food staples that meets the immediate need of local individuals and families in Hedland who require them. The Mini Mart is being manned by a combination of staff and volunteers. The Mini Mart can also make home deliveries to those without access to transport or who may be self-isolating. In addition to the BHP contribution, the Mini Mart has recently received generous support and donations from FMG,

Thanks to the valuable support of BHP, the Mini Mart operates Monday to Friday, from 9am to 12pm. It is available to all recognised welfare benefit card holders, plus those suffering from financial hardship or stress who were referred from local agencies and services. Customers may access non-perishable food staples at 20% less than local prices. Donated food items are available at 50% off local prices. The Mini Mart has already assisted over 65 local families in less than 4 weeks.

It is the perfect addition to Bloodwood Tree's already successful South Hedland Soup Kitchen service. The BHP and Bloodwood Tree partnership sees this new

Roy Hill, Hon Stephen Dawson and the Junction Co's Portside Soap. In future, Bloodwood Tree looks forward to collecting further donations from the local community and conducting public food drives. The aim is to enable local individuals, families and businesses who wish to assist the Mini Mart help put food on the table for those locally in need. This ensures that Hedland people are assisting Hedland people, and makes sure that no-one goes without, especially in these uncertain COVID-19 times.



THERAPY GROUPS ENCOURAGE YARNING



AOD Therapy and Music and Yarning are the two Groups that run from 10am to 12pm Monday and Thursday at Bloodwood Tree. Although not always focussing on Alcohol and Other Drugs, the two Groups provide a chance to talk about client challenges in a safe and productive environment. They learn techniques to control their anger, deal with their emotions and make positive choices to help lead the life they want for themselves and their families.

The Groups have been running for 12 months and remain very popular because they combine yarning, music, art and education into interactive sessions. This suits a variety of people. There is no pressure to attend every week or on both days. If you miss a session or two, the program is designed to allow you to pick up where you left off. Collection and drop offs are available for those who need transport. If you're interested, come along on Monday or Thursday, 10am to 12pm or phone 9138 3006 for more information.

WORKING WITH GOOLARRI MEDIA TO HELP PILBARA GIRLS SHINE

With COVID-19 restrictions lifting, entries are now open for Pilbara Girl 2020. Bloodwood Tree is proudly partnering with Goolarri Media for the delivery of the 2020 Pilbara Girl Program. Now in its eleventh year, the Pilbara Girl program is aimed at Aboriginal women between the ages of 16-25 years.

All participants have the opportunity to gain a Certificate II Leadership - a national accreditation. Entrants also benefit from workshops and events as well as the support of facilitators. Plus, they make connections with local role models, the collective aim of which is to instigate positive change in each of the participant's personal and professional lives.

The program empowers young women to make positive life choices and forge constructive pathways for the future. The tailored workshops

equip the young women participants with the capacity to shun domestic violence, lateral violence, negative relationships plus drug and alcohol abuse. It also fosters personal ambition and drive with the goal to empower them with more confidence so that making positive life choices is a practical outcome and not merely empty rhetoric. The Hedland 2020 Pilbara Girl Workshops will be held from 8 to 10 July 2020. The Pilbara Girl Heat Event is scheduled for Karratha on Friday, 17 July 2020.

As in the past, Bloodwood Tree will again assist in securing local business assistance, support and helping with local registrations as well as involvement in the Hedland Workshops.

If you'd like to obtain 2020 Pilbara Girl entry forms, and/or more Project details, including sponsorship packages, contact Bloodwood Tree.

BLOODWOOD TREE CLIENT SERVICES - MAY

Alcohol & Other Drug Services	
Counselling appointments	86
Drug & Alcohol Education sessions	24
Community Visits - Marble Bar	2
Community Visits - Yandeyarra	3
Community Visits - Warralong	0
Stakeholder Meeting attendance	4
Cultural Mental Health Services	
Clients Assisted	10
Yandeyarra Centrelink	
Clients Assisted	12
Aboriginal Training & Employment	
Resume Assistance	8
Work Ready Program Participants	5
Clients into Employment	0
Aboriginal Youth Career Plans	0
Jobs displayed	42
Driver Training	
Justice interventions	39
Driving Lessons delivered	80
Driver Education Workshops delivered	1
Vehicle Licences obtained	4
Administration	
Identification provided	170
Emergency relief cards	23
Wapa Maya/Sobering Up Centre	
Homeless Support Breakfast program	161
Sobering Up Centre overnight stays	47
South Hedland Soup Kitchen	1177
Housing Support	
Healthy Living participants	8
Thrive participants	33
Community Patrol	
Water Bottles distributed CBD	670
Referrals from Sth Hedland CBD	30
Community Patrol Service pick ups	929



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