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ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE IN LIQUOR RESTRICTED HOMES

For some time, South Hedland has experienced significant alcohol fueled anti-social behavior in residential areas. In response, WA Police South Hedland have been using the Section 152 Dry Houses policy to good effect and, together with property owners, they have managed to reduce the incidence of alcohol-related violence within many homes/residential areas. There are currently 47 houses listed in South Hedland and eight listed in Port Hedland.



Besides signage and valuable assistance from local Police to enforce the banning of alcohol at registered addresses, subject to the Section 152 policy, there was little outside services support or referrals for the residents living in Liquor Restricted Premises.

Bloodwood Tree developed a project that offers a much needed local tenancy support service, referrals and case management structures specifically for residents of listed Liquor Restricted Houses in South Hedland. Recently, thanks to the generous support of

the WA Police Force's Community Crime Prevention Fund, Bloodwood Tree is collaborating with WA Police South Hedland to implement the 'Healthy Living Project.' This Project and the focus on the South Hedland Liquor Restricted Premises will empower and connect at-risk individuals and families to the tools and agency/service supports they need to lead healthier, happier lives and help them to succeed in their tenancies. Additionally, by reducing alcohol related harm, and alcohol related anti-social

behavior, hopefully the project will promote greater neighbourhood harmony in South Hedland.

Thanks to the support, the 'Healthy Living Project' will run for the next six months. If successful, we hope ongoing support can be secured to continue this wrap-around support for the individuals and families at Liquor Restricted Premises locally, and be developed and rolled out across the State.



Since the beginning of the year, there has been a significant increase in the number of cases of meningococcal disease affecting Aboriginal people in the Pilbara. Responding, the Department of Health implemented a Targeted Meningococcal Vaccination Program aimed at all Aboriginal people living and travelling throughout the Nullagine, Hedland, Roebourne, Karratha and Onslow areas.

As a part of this vaccination push, the WACHS - Pilbara Public Health unit collaborated with Bloodwood Tree to provide free meningococcal vaccinations to all Aboriginal people aged six weeks and over during the Hedland Homeless Breakfast Program service at Wapa Maya.

This service proved very popular. Positive feedback was received from our clients able to receive their vaccination and be safeguarded.



HELPING OUR PILBARA GIRLS SHINE

With the support of Lotterywest, Bloodwood Tree proudly collaborated with Goolarri Media to deliver the 2019 Pilbara Girl Program.

Now in its tenth year, the Pilbara Girl Program is for Aboriginal women between 16 and 25. Its accredited training, workshops and events are aimed at instigating positive change in the participants' personal and professional lives, empowering them to make positive life choices and forge constructive pathways.

Bloodwood Tree helped secure local business assistance, support and assisted with local participant involvement and registrations.

This year, five local women from Hedland took part in the Program. The Hedland component of the Program

involved study and classes delivered by North Regional Tafe at Pundulmurra, followed by workshops held at the ESS Compass Gateway Village from 10 to 12 July. These tailored workshops gave the young women involved the capacity to shun domestic violence, lateral violence, negative relationships, drug and alcohol abuse as well as foster personal ambition, and empower them with more confidence to make positive life choices.

Following this, the women then travelled to Karratha last week and participated in additional workshop elements that culminated in the popular 2019 Pilbara Girl showcase catwalk and judging event.

Bloodwood Tree will continue to support our Hedland Pilbara Girls as they work towards the Kimberley/Pilbara Girl 2019 final taking place in October at Broome.



JULY 2018 - JUNE 2019 BLOODWOOD TREE CLIENT SERVICES

Alcohol & Other Drug Services	
Counselling appointments	603
Drug & Alcohol Education sessions	115
Community Visits - Marble Bar	22
Community Visits - Yandeyarra	45
Community Visits - Warralong	43
Stakeholder Meeting attendance	63
Cultural Mental Health Services	
Clients Assisted	79
Yandeyarra Centrelink	
Clients Assisted	165
Aboriginal Training & Employment	
Resume Assistance	241
Work Ready Program Participants	94
Clients Into Employment	30
Aboriginal Youth Career Plans	88
Jobs displayed	758
Driver Training	
Justice interventions	183
Driving Lessons delivered	958
Driver Education Workshops delivered	23
Vehicle Licences obtained	100
Administration	
Identification provided	3209
Emergency relief cards	234
Wapa Maya/Sobering Up Centre	
Homeless Support Breakfast program	4853
Sobering Up Centre overnight stays	1398
South Hedland Soup Kitchen*	1355
*commenced 15 April 2019	
Housing Support	
Healthy Living participants	36
Community Patrol	
Water Bottles distributed CBD	10005
Referrals from Sth Hedland CBD	240
Community Patrol Service pick ups	15933



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