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Rents and Royalties Distribution

Overview of Initiatives Supported

A selection of initiatives supported by the ALC's rents and royalty distributions. Featured in this quarterly update are projects and programs supported by ALC's ALRA s.64(3) royalty equivalent distributions.

Bush Fit Mob program

Bush Fit Mob is working to empower young people to develop positive mindsets, behaviours and relationships through sport, health, culture and recreational programs. The program provides opportunities which are fun, diverse and culturally appropriate. Bush Fit Mob employs Anindilyakwa people (approximately 8 casual) and provides sports, recreation, and school holiday programs, visiting service providers, trips away, community youth diversion and pathways, staff training and community events. ALC's distribution of ALRA s.64(3) monies to Anindilyakwa Royalties Aboriginal Corporation (ARAC) has provided operational support for Bush Fit Mob to run programs with \$6,096,131 awarded between 2017 and 2024. This includes additional funding recently provided to operate the Sports Hub.





Sports Hub- an all inclusive centre for community

Opened in mid-2023, the Sports Hub provides an all-inclusive centre for community that promotes a holistic and integrated approach to health, nutrition and wellbeing. ALRA s.64(3) monies of \$8,878,000 were awarded to ARAC for the construction of the Sports Hub. Bush Fit Mob, funded via ARAC, will run the Sports Hub to expand services beyond the engaged youth cohort Bush Fit Mob work with to include people with disabilities, elders and parents.



Nurse assisted dialysis and renal services

Funding of \$600,000 provided to Miwatj Health has supported the continuation of the nurse assisted dialysis and renal services between 2021 to 2024 at the Angurugu Renal Services Facility on Groote Eylandt. The service provides culturally appropriate renal care in community to allow patients to stay close to family and stay connected to country while maintaining their treatment regime. The service which commenced in 2016 has previously received support from ALC's distribution of ALRA s.64(3) monies.





A single TO led community housing provider

Anindilyakwa Housing Aboriginal Corporation (AHAC) was established to realise the Local Decision Making Agreement goal of a single TO led and culturally appropriate community housing provider for all Groote Archipelago communities, with a mission to provide best practice property and tenancy management services, community consultation and to bring the existing housing stock up to a consistent standard. For financial years 2023 and 2024 AHAC forecasted shortfalls in their operational budget which could not be fully recovered from other funding avenues. ALRA s.64(3) monies of \$800,000 and \$400,000 were distributed to AHAC to cover the shortfalls as AHAC continues on the path to become financially sustainable.

Bush Medijina- Women's led skincare enterprise

Bush Medijina is an award-winning women's led enterprise focussed on producing high quality skincare products in a sustainable way. Using traditional knowledge and bush recipes, products like body balms, soaps, and hand and body wash are made. The enterprise's sales are trending upward toward the goal of financial independence while offering meaningful employment and building community capacity on the Groote Archipelago. The Bush Medijina team consists of approximately 16 indigenous women. ALRA s.64(3) distributions were made in 2023 totalling \$750,000 to support Bush Medijina's operational expenses, as Bush Medijina works towards financial independence.

