



HOPE VALE ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

SOCIAL SERVICES AUGUST 2024 REPORT TO COUNCIL

14TH AUGUST 2024

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About Social Services



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**JOBS FOR
LOCALS**



127

**CLIENTS RECEIVING
DAILY SUPPORT**



1229

**HOURS OF
SERVICES
PROVIDED**



AGED CARE HOSTEL

- Hope Vale Aged Care Hostel has been accredited by the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission to the 10 November 2026
- 24 Hours of Care Service
- 6 Aged Care residents permanently supported
- 15 extraordinary, dedicated staff
- intense focus on continuous improvement
- Facility Manager - Registered Nurse commenced on the 17th July 2024



COMMONWEALTH HOME AND SUPPORT PROGRAM

- 45 clients supported
- 128 hours of support available
- 2 QCSS clients supported
- Assessment conducted on the service on 31st July - 01 August 2024



NOLA'S PLACE - CHILD CARE CENTRE

- 50 weeks service available
- 29 children enrolled
- Over 150 hours care and learnings provided
- Fully staffed by local indigenous educators

Community Engagement

- Celebration of National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day



GEORGE BOWEN MEMORIAL KINDERGARTEN

- 21 enrolments
- 60 hours of quality learning provided
- Fully staffed by local indigenous qualified educators

Programs delivered:

- Strong Teeth
- Yoga exercise
- Vegetable garden
- Cooking session

Community Engagement

Celebration of National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day



NDIS COMMUNITY CONNECTOR PROGRAM

- 26 active participants
- 145 hours of support provided
- Currently providing support to a community member to access NDIS
- NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission visited Hope Vale on the 7th August and spoke about - Your rights and responsibilities as an NDIS participant • Listened to feedback about the NDIS services you receive • Listened to feedback on your NDIS support workers.



INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE CENTRE

- 65 memberships
- Delivered First Five Forever Program to Kindergarten and children at Day care
- 80 hours of library hours provided to Community
- Playgroup programs are scheduled to be delivered every Wednesday's
- Language Program to be delivered every fortnightly
- IKC's Strategic Plan is currently in draft and will table at next council meeting for endorsement
- State Library annual report due to be completed before the 31st August
- IKC Coordinator participated in the engagement of First Five Forever being delivered through IKC Library in Cooktown



YOUTH ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

- Casual Youth Engagement Officer commenced on the 12th August 2024
- Part-time Youth engagement officer position advertised and closed on the 9th August 2024. Shortlisting of candidates commenced and interviewing date scheduled for the 15th August 2024.
- Youth Engagement Program are in the planning process to deliver:
- Youth Strategy Forum
- Career Expo
- Seniors Graduation Ceremony



SPORTS AND RECREATION

- 28 hours gym access to local community members
- 16 hours circuit sessions
- Over 32 hours of pool & activities
- Supported and contributed towards hosting the Immortals visit events in Hope Vale.
- Provided support towards the Three Rivers rugby league competition



FOOD LICENSE

- 3 Renewal of Business Licenses conducted on the 8th August 2024



RADIO STATION

OVER 600 HOURS OF BROADCASTING SERVICES DELIVERED



GRANT FUNDING GRANT FUNDING APPLICATIONS SUBMISSIONS

NATIONAL RESIDENTIAL MEDICATION CHART (ENRMC)

APPLICATION SUBMITTED: 03 APRIL 2024

GRANT FUNDING SOUGHT: \$20,000.00

Scope of Works

Electronic National Residential Medication Chart (eNRMC) medication management systems will be used to electronically prescribe medicines in our aged care facility, without the need for paper prescriptions.

Status: Successful

- Funding application approved; an agreement executed

Action:

- Currently sourcing suitable provider to implement the system within Aged Care

GAMBLING COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

APPLICATION SUBMITTED: 29 APRIL 2024

GRANT FUNDING SOUGHT: \$64,409.00

Scope of Works

Procurement of dedicated Hope Vale Community Radio Station vehicle for mobile live broadcasts.

Status: Pending

- Announcement of successful recipients is expected in October 2024



PROJECT/S

COMMUNITY BROADCASTING FOUNDATION (CBF)

APPLICATION SUBMITTED: 05 MARCH 2024

GRANT FUNDING SOUGHT: \$79,113.00

Scope of Works

Development of a 5 year strategy for our local community radio station and replacement of end of life studio equipment.

Status: Successful

- Funding application approved; an agreement executed

Project Status

Currently reviewing the Hope Vale Radio Station Strategic Plan Development timeline and proceed to order equipment’s for installation.



MULTI PURPOSE CENTRE 24/7 GYM SECURITY ACCESS SHADE SAIL UPGRADE

Commence Construction: June 2024

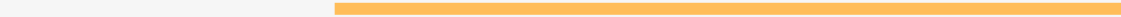
Completion Date: December 2024

Scope of works

Installation of fixed security camera, 24/7 digital gym access with enhanced security features and installing shade sails over the outdoor gym.

Project Status

Quotes for the digital access, security camera installation and shade sail installation have been sourced, received and confirmed. Potential dates have been identified for the pre-construction project management meeting with representatives from the Department of Sport and Recreation which is a requirement under the funding conditions. Discussions will progress so to align with Councils forecast construction works to commence.



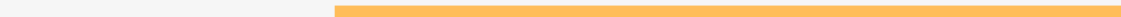
DISCRETE COMMUNITIES PLANNING FUNDING

Purpose of funding

Delivery of planning activities to increase physical activity and the capacity for healthy eating

Project Status

- Funding application approved; an agreement executed. Project planning in discussion to deliver quality and effective outcomes



NOTIFICATIONS

Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) included:

- Provider: 7641 Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council
- Service: 24367 Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council - Care Relationships and Carer Support
- Service: 24366 Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council - Community and Home Support

The assessment team will undertake an initial meeting with you via Microsoft teams at 10:00AM on 29 July 2024. Actioned accordingly

The assessment team will undertake an onsite visit at the service on 31 July 2024 – 01 August 2024. Visit undertaken

Outcome:

Report is yet to be received

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hope Vale Community Market's - 31st August 2024

Hope Vale Rodeo

Director of Social Services is currently sourcing dates that will be sufficient to conduct an event in Hope Vale in 2025.

Recommendation: Council to advise of a suitable location to host an event and advise if Liquor Licensing application should be considered.

Hope Vale Touch Carnival

Director of Social Services is undertaking a risk and assessment and project plan for such an event to be hosted in Hope Vale. A final version will be presented at next Council meeting.

Seniors Graduation Event

An event to be hosted in Hope Vale is in it's final stage of planning.

recommendation: Council to support with a budget of \$10,000.00 towards the event

Career Expo

Planning for the next Career expo has commenced with a date to be confirmed that will coincide with Seniors Graduation Event.

Recommendation: Council to support with a budget of \$10,000.00 towards the event

Laptops

On receipt of laptops provided by Queensland Government Customer and Digital Group, secondary students of Hope Vale will have the opportunity to have their own laptops to support them with the learning. Laptops will be delivered to secondary students in January 2025 and a number of laptops will be provided to our graduating students on the eve of their graduation event.