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Strengthening Aboriginal Regional Communities

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GOOD NEWS FROM THE ABC FOUNDATION

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This is our bi-monthly Newsletter format called the On Country Yarn. Each edition will feature yarns from some of the key programs happening in our valued communities.

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NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2025

Bridging Now to Next

27 MAY -
3 JUNE

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National Reconciliation Week 2025

27 May - 3 June

National Reconciliation Week is celebrated each year between the 27th of May to the 3rd of June and is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements to contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

At the ABC Foundation, we recognise that reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians, because we're stronger when we work together.

This year's theme, Bridging Now to Next, reflects the ongoing connection between past, present and future. Bridging Now to Next calls on all Australians to step forward together, to look ahead and continue the push forward as past lessons guide us.

To learn more about reconciliation or to get involved, visit the Reconciliation Australia website.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2024 & 2025 FUTURE FUND RECIPIENTS



TOTAL FUNDED \$93,760 (3 ROUNDS OVER 12 MONTHS)

We are thrilled to announce the successful applicants for the first few rounds of the ABC Future Fund Grants in 2024 and 2025. These outstanding projects, led by Aboriginal organisations, will strengthen culture, community, and sustainability across the regions.

Meet the Recipients

- **Aboriginal Males Healing Centre -**
- **Gungyah Ngallingnee Aboriginal Corporation -**
- **Six Rivers Aboriginal Corporation -**
- **Yulella Aboriginal Corporation -**
- **Goldfields Aboriginal Community Services**
- **Wattandee Littlewell Aboriginal Corporation**
- **Bigambul Native Title Aboriginal Corporation BNTBC**
- **Mamu Aboriginal Corporation**
- **Miya Kaadadjiny Community Centre Inc**
- **Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council**
- **The Capricorn Conservation Council**



These grassroots initiatives are making a lasting impact, and we are proud to support them through the Future Fund. If your organisation is looking to drive meaningful change in your community, find out how to apply for the next round of Future Fund grants.

Congratulations to all our recipients—your dedication to culture, community, and Country is truly inspiring.

ABC FOUNDATION GRANTED WITH 2025 TELETHON FUNDING



CONTINUING OUR INVALUABLE PROGRAMS

We are thrilled to announce that we have been named a recipient of Telethon funding for 2025.

This generous support will enable us to continue delivering vital education programs in Carnarvon (Gascoyne) and Kalgoorlie, in partnership with Goldfields Aboriginal Community Services and Gascoyne Community Services.

Together, we'll ensure young people in the Mid-West region have access to essential learning opportunities throughout 2025.

A heartfelt thank you to @Telethon7 and everyone who contributes to this life-changing initiative. We're honoured to be part of the Telethon family and look forward to making a lasting impact on children's lives!



IT'S ALL SYSTEMS GO IN KALGOORLIE

Last December, Alison, Helen, and Karen held a Strategic Workshop & Mobilisation Session alongside the Goldfields Aboriginal Community Services (GACS) team to plan the rollout of newly secured funding which will support the expansion of the Women's Ranger Team and the establishment of a much-needed Youth Drop-In Centre.

In February Karen Stead was on the ground in Kalgoorlie with Jacqueline Barton (GACS, Operations Manager) to kickstart mobilisation efforts, ensuring the transition from planning to action. They had a productive and busy week, formalising key steps and setting the groundwork for successful implementation.

By working alongside Goldfields Aboriginal Community Services, we are not only supporting their growth and expansion of the Women's Ranger Team and the launch of the Youth Drop-In Centre, but also working towards strengthening community-led solutions that empower local people.



STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR STRONGER COMMUNITIES

ABC Foundation's leadership team joined forces with Yulella's Board and CEO in Geraldton for an inspiring workshop on strategic planning for Yulella 2025 and beyond.

This collaborative effort focused on strengthening Yulella's ability to support the Mount Magnet and Meekatharra communities, with an emphasis on empowering youth to reduce anti-social behaviour and addressing critical issues like food insecurity.

As part of ABC's partnership program with Yulella, this initiative is all about equipping community-driven organisations with the tools and strategies they need to set meaningful priorities, achieve long-term goals, and deliver impactful solutions for the people they serve.

We're building stronger, more sustainable futures for our communities.



WATTANDEE LITTLEWELL RECEIVES IT'S FIRST CARBON OUTREACH WORKSHOP

Last month, we delivered our first Carbon Outreach Session with Wattandee Littlewell Aboriginal Corporation on Country in Arrowsmith, WA. Over four days, 25 participants explored carbon farming, nature-positive practices, and environmental regeneration.

Key Outcomes:

- Increased understanding of carbon farming accessibility for smaller groups.
- 61% of participants committed to taking environmental action within 12 months.
- 100% reported an increase in knowledge.

Helen and Karen were welcomed with a smoking ceremony before an action-packed week of discussions, bushwalks, and relationship-building. With culturally respectful partnerships at the core, we look forward to continuing this journey. This workshop was funded by the Commonwealth of Australia through the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water under the Carbon Farming Outreach Program.



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FREE CARBON WORKSHOP - MAY 14TH PERTH.

Unlock the Power of Carbon Knowledge - **Register Now!** Get hands-on knowledge about carbon farming, sustainable practices, and environmental regeneration! What's in it for you?

- Discover how carbon farming can open up new economic opportunities
- Gain insights from industry experts in agriculture and sustainable land management
- Learn how to regenerate Country while earning from carbon projects
- Connect with leaders dedicated to cultural and environmental sustainability

Our Esteemed Speakers (plus more on the day!):

Alison Sentance, Executive Finance & Strategy Advisor at ABC Foundation.

Professor Jennifer Verduin: a distinguished oceanographer at Murdoch University.

Dr Simon Dawkins: the Executive Director of the Oil Mallee Association, a farmer group which supports integrated agroforestry.

Nick Stead: Carbon Farming & Ranger Groups

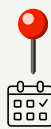
Greg Simpson: Urban Planting

Where: Karstens, Perth

When: Wednesday, 14th May 10am

Our advanced sessions dive deep into effective carbon strategies, but spots are limited -Click the link in bio to register your EOI and propose an Extension Learning Topic!


Don't wait - this is your chance to make a difference!
<https://shorturl.at/i22NG>



Karstens, Perth

Wednesday, 14th May 10am



 **CARBON OUTREACH Annual Conference 2025 EOI**

If you or your team are interested in attending our annual Carbon Out Reach Annual Conference please complete this form so we can keep you updated.

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