

SALTBUSH NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2023

NEW SPACE FOR YOUTH

On the 14th of September, Saltbush, the Pathways to Success participants and families had the opportunity to walk through the new Tennant Creek Youth Centre prior to the official opening.

The Youth Centre was funded by the Building Better Regions Fund in 2019.

The youth are all looking forward to concurring the ninja course, playing lazer tag, volleyball, arcade games and more.









THANK YOU FROM SALTBUSH

Saltbush were thankful to have received donations from a generous doner in Queensland for the Back on Track young people.

Program Manager Claire remains in contact with the genrous doner, sharing photos and expressing how much the items were appreciated.

Saltbush paid it forward by sharing items with families and organisations within community, acknowledging Pamela for her donations.

Pictured: Danley modelling his new T-shirt.

MASTER CHEFS TENNANT CREEK

The young people in Tennant Creek are consistently engaged with the cooking activities provided at Saltbush.

Cooking is a perfect way to spend time with the Pathways to Success young people and chat to them about life, working together and shared experiences.

This is an ongoing and successful activity packed with important math skills, from fractions to conversion, measurements and mass to reading recipes and following instructions.

The youth are always excited to cook something new each time.







SMALL WINS BIG GOALS

Saltbush Pathways to Success Program Manager welcomed a young fella back into community in September.

On his arrival he was keen to re-engage in activities, this included supporting him to complete online shopping. As this was the first time the young fella had the opportunity to experience online shopping. He exhibited a great excitement, everything from creating a shopping list of items he needed, choosing the right sizes and colour and staying within budget.

Always an exciting time to provide young people with a new opportunity to learn.











CONGRATULATIONS DAYLENE WHITE



Daylene celebrated her 26 weeks of dedicated service with Aboriginal Hostel Limited (AHL) with assistance from the Saltbush Employment Services team.

Starting as a Kitchen cook, Daylene soon transitioned into the Night Attendant role due to the need for more hours. Despite initial uncertainty about the role, Daylene found her stride and has not only embraced but thoroughly enjoyed her new role, relishing the ample hours it provides.

Well done to you Daylene for your flexibility and commitment in the role!

FMPI OYMFNT SUCCESS



With one of the Saltbush Back on Track youth agining employment in September, the Pathways to Success Program Manager Claire has begun transitioning the young person into the Saltbush Employment Services Program and continues to mentor the young fella.

To support his employment success and acknowledgment of his outstanding achievement during the Program, Claire has presented him with a new phone.

CONGRATULATIONS SKYLIF



Congratulation to Skylie, our Saltbush Employment Services Mentor in Darwin for being our very first participant to complete our Aboriginal Workplace Mentoring Certificate.

Well done Skylie!















PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS TENNANT CREEK

October saw a continuation of activities with the Pathways to Success youth to encompass all elements of the program.

This included supporting youth with their education transition plans and educationally focused sessions, such as:

- Identifying money and money management
- Mathematics worksheets and testing
- Exploring online learning
- Art therapy and creative arts
- Cooking

The Saltbush Mentor and Program Manager in Tennant Creek enjoy seeing the youth learn and progress throughout the program.



ABORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM NT GOVERNMENT

At the end of September, we found ourselves at the midpoint of the Aboriginal Employment Program.

Maintaining an impressive participant count of 15 individuals. Notably, the dropout rate remains remarkably low, with only two participants opting to discontinue their involvement.

This continued engagement underscores the effectiveness of the collaborative efforts between Northern Territory Government, Saltbush and Charles Darwin University.











BARAMA AND WRAP WITH LOVE INC. THANK YOU

Saltbush Program to Success Manager from Tennant Creek travelled to Alice Springs in October.

During her visit she was kindly given blankets from a joint project between Barama and Wrap with Love Inc. to share with families and community members upon her return.

Claire pictured with one of the community members receiving a beautiful blanket.

WELCOME TO THE SALTBUSH TEAM



TANYA JONES
Back on Track Mentor,
Tennant Creek

Tanya, born and raised in Tennant Creek her whole life, comes to Saltbush with previous experience working with youth and families around Tennant Creek and the Barkly Region.

Tanya's favourite thing about Tennant Creek is that everyone knows one another and is always welcoming and friendly.

We are excited to have Tanya join Saltbush in the role of Back on Track Mentor.



KARINA AKARANA

Business Development & Employment Services Mentor, Alice Springs

Karina comes to Saltbush with previous experience working in Correctional Services, youth homelessness and with disengaged Indigenous job seekers.

Karina, born in New Zealand and raised in Alice Springs is a strong community volunteer and an advocate and mentor for First Nations people.

We welcome Karina to her new role as Business Development and Employment Services Mentor in Alice Springs.







FURTHER ADDITIONS TO THE TEAM



YUVA (UV) BASNET
Employment Services Mentor,
Tennant Creek

New to the Territory, UV brings with him experience in recruitment and training, as well as a background working as a Youth Support Worker with ProCare Australia.

UV has settled well with the team in Tennant Creek and Saltbush look forward to assisting UV excel within his role and explore everything the Top End has to offer.

We welcome UV to his role as Employment Services Mentor.



CYRUS LIDDYEmployment Services Mentor, Darwin

A true Territory Local, Cyrus has previously worked and lived in rural and remote Aboriginal Communities across the Territory, helping run and coordinate Community Development Programs (CDP) and activities.

Cyrus brings a wealth of knowledge to Saltbush with a background in assisting job seekers throughout the NT transition into sustainable employment.

We welcome Cyrus to our Darwin office, working as a Mentor within the Employment Services team.

RESIDENTIAL YOUTH SUPPORT WORKERS

Darwin and Alice Springs

- Kun Ruot
- Dion Neil
- Elizabeth Hogan
- Saaondo 'Dave' Akume
- Karan Rana
- Shubham Gupta

Thank you for choosing Saltbush as part of your new career choice.

VACANCIES

Employment Services Coordinator Tennant Creek

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Alice Springs

RTO Manager Darwin

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