



*Celebrating 15 years
working in the Aboriginal housing arena*

*annual report
2017/18*





YILLI RREUNG HOUSING ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

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YRHAC operates on Larrakia country. We acknowledge the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the Darwin region and pay our respects to Larrakia elders past and present. We are committed to a positive future for the Aboriginal community.

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The symbol depicts Housing Continuum where Yilli Housing ushers people from homelessness all the way to home ownership and allows them to move through the continuum depending on their life circumstances and housing needs. We believe that secure housing is the foundation for good physical and mental health, happy family, stable employment and better education.

In order to address Housing Continuum, Yilli Rreung is actively broadening our housing stock, supplying innovative solutions and building partnerships to provide a variety of housing options to assist people moving through the Continuum.

Hexagonal theme throughout our new Strategic Plan symbolises compressive characteristics which make it the strongest, most efficient and stable structure found in nature. These characteristics are what we strive for in our Organisation.

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in a nutshell

Formed in 2003 Yilli Rreung is a well-established local Community Housing Provider (CHP).

It is the largest single provider of community housing in the Northern Territory with a portfolio of over two hundred properties under management across the Greater Darwin Region with nearly 2000 residents.

We manage the tenancies and municipal services of Indigenous communities and we provide affordable housing to individuals and families who are disadvantaged in the mainstream housing market. We strive to offer a range of support services to our clients and offer a supported environment to teach people about the rights and responsibilities of a tenancy.

We have a dedicated team of property managers and works and maintenance staff who manage the tenancies on Yilli Rreung properties.

Affordable Housing

We place our clients in a range of affordable housing rental properties in Palmerston, Northern suburbs and on Berrimah Estate. Berrimah Estate is the only affordable housing estate in Darwin and provides affordable accommodation for over 50 families. It also offers caravan sites and single men's accommodation. Most people on the estate are low to middle-income families working in service industries.

Community Housing

In partnership with Indigenous leaseholder organisations and the NT Government, Yilli Housing provides housing management, maintenance and municipal services to the following communities:

- Bagot Community
- One Mile Dam Community
- Knuckey Lagoon Community
- Palmerston Indigenous Village (PIV)
- Wairuk Community
- Bulgul Community
- Walangurminy Community
- Amangal Community
- Pandayal Community
- Woolaning

We also provide housing management and maintenance to:

- Belyuen Community
- Acacia/Larrakia



Repairs, maintenance and upgrade works

Yilli staff and contractors undertake all housing repairs and maintenance on our properties. Yilli works with quality local contractors with a commitment to employing Indigenous people. Yilli also carries out larger scale works such as housing upgrades and landscaping on Yilli properties and for external and government organisations.

Emergency Relief

Yilli Housing provides emergency relief services to people in urgent housing need through emergency accommodation where available, bond and bill assistance.

Training and Employment

At Yilli we believe in providing employment and training opportunities for Indigenous people. We employ 80% Indigenous full-time and casual staff and strive to improve their skill and knowledge base through professional development opportunities.



Our Vision

Yilli Housing the leading independent, non-government, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation delivering affordable accessible and sustainable quality housing to people in the Top End of the Northern Territory





we are

- An Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the CATSI ACT
- Employer of choice
- Governed by a skilled and passionate Board
- An organisation operated by qualified and competent staff
- Manage properties on behalf of our leasehold organisations and government
- Provide a diversity of housing solutions which best suit the needs of our tenants
- Strive to provide holistic support services to our tenants
- A provider of property services including cleaning, grounds maintenance, renovations, construction and municipal services
- Provide a service to a wide range of communities and outstations throughout the Greater Darwin Region.

our mission

To achieve our Vision, we will:

- Service our client base in a holistic manner which supports our tenants to enhance their living conditions therefore improving their lives.
- Have strong governance and operational structures.
- Have well trained and resourced employees.
- Have a diverse mix of asset structures and funding.
- Provide a culturally appropriate and responsive service in a consistent and timely manner.
- Provide leadership in the NT affordable and community housing space.
- Communicate effectively and work in partnership with government and non-government organisation to benefit our clients.

our values

We believe in:

- Having integrity in all our dealings.
- A client centred approach with all our work and activities.
- Recognising and respecting the diversity of our clients and employees.
- Preserving and improving the quality of life for our tenants.
- Appreciating our staff and investing relevant training to enhance knowledge and skills basis.

where we are going

- In order to become innovative and financially independent we have a planned approach to generate our own revenue to cover capital and operational costs.
- Strive for self-determination and strengths-based practice
- Provide culturally appropriate and responsive services with
- a client-centred approach
- Create choice and access for our tenants
- Be a leader in the Indigenous community and affordable housing sector
- Working in collaboration with other organisations

Chairperson's report

2018 is a time to celebrate Yilli Rreung Housing 15 Years of serving our people for a brighter future now and into the future.

On behalf of the Board of YRHAC, I would like to welcome our new CEO Leeanne Caton. Leeanne has worked in the Aboriginal Affairs arena, operationally, strategically and in Senior Management roles across all social indicator areas over the past thirty years, inclusive of Aboriginal Housing. Leeanne has only been with Yilli for about 3 months and the Board is confident she will do an outstanding job.

The Board would like to thank the CEO of Ironbark, Shaun Pearce, for stepping in as our interim CEO and Jeffrey Guilas our Finance Manager as the acting CEO while we were transiting; this demonstrates Aboriginal organisations working positively together for Aboriginal people of the NT.

I would like to acknowledge and thank YRHAC team members for their support and devotion to making Yilli one of the strong community organisations in the NT.

I would also like thank the Board members who volunteer their time and share their expertise to grow the future of Yilli Rreung Housing. The Board's in-valuable contribution and the dedicated staff has made Yilli what it is today, a strong advocate for affordable Indigenous housing in the Darwin, Palmerston and rural regions.

This year Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation has gone from strength to strength. Some of our achievements for the year saw the Yilli team working hard to restore power and water and repairs to communities after cyclone Marco, Yilli was awarded a repair and maintenance contract through NTG for a number of communities, we have partnerships in place with other Aboriginal organisations, the Board and staff will complete our strategic plan, for the next three years, Board members and staff will attend an ORIC Governance course, and a Board member attending an AICD course through a scholarship.

Next year, is promising to be as big if not bigger than this year. In line with our strategic plan we will complete our National registration for housing, find a permanent home for Yilli Rreung, upskill staff to allow them to expand their knowledge and grow with the corporation. This will also mean Yilli will be able to grow the business and create further Aboriginal employment and supply further housing stock for our people. Further information will be through Yilli's new letter. It has been Board's honour and pleasure to work with so many dedicated and passionate people who always thrive to advance the lives of our most disadvantaged people in our Community.

Kind Regards
Jon Harris



Yilli Rreung Directors and CEO

our board

YRHAC has a skills-based board structure, and members and directors are selected for their skills, knowledge, ability and commitment to assisting the community.

Our Chairperson - Jon Harris

A proud descendent of the Alyawarre Clan, his Grandma came from Alpururulam (Lake Nash). Jon has been heavily involved in the training and mentoring of Indigenous people for many years. Through his work, he has assisted Indigenous people to achieve sustainable employment and to develop the confidence to be able to provide for their families and extended families.

Jon has been involved in the Training and Development area for the past 20 years. In Aboriginal training and career development. The past 7 years Jon has been working for PowerWater Corporation in Aboriginal staff career development and working with PWC on their Reconciliation Action Plan.

Jon has been on the board for the past 10 years and as Chair for 4 years.

His work / life experiences have enabled him to develop skills in the area of building capabilities, strategic engagement, operational thinking in public and private sectors, urban and remote coordination, with multiple internal and external stakeholder groups

His background and experience assist him to understand the needs of the community and the importance of consultation and information sharing.

directors

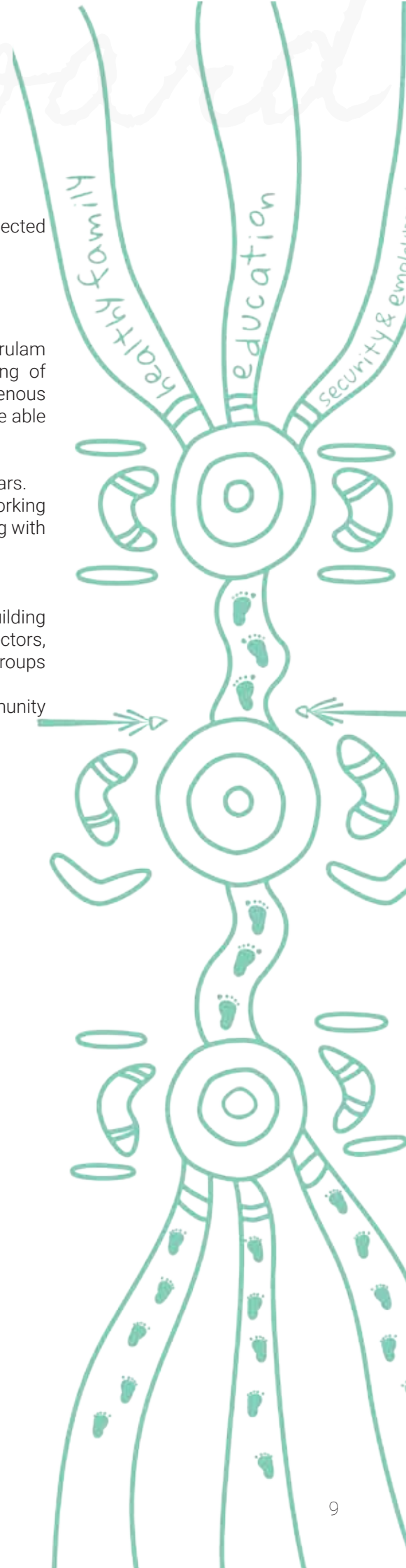
Regina Bennett – Vice Chairperson
Lorraine Beetson – Treasurer
Tania McLeod – Secretary

meetings held

19 July 2017
20 September 2017
18 October 2017
15 November 2017
6 December 2017
24 January 2018
21 February 2018
14 March 2018
18 April 2018
16 May 2018

members

Jon Harris – Chairperson
Regina Bennett – Vice Chairperson
Lorraine Beetson – Treasurer
Tania McLeod – Secretary
Theresa Roe
Tracy Peris
Kellie Yates
Anthony Castro
Petra Cubillo Adams



ceo report

I have been at Yilli for nearly three months now and am delighted to be part of an amazing organization.

I'd like to sincerely thank Jeffrey Guilas and Sean Pearce for acting in the role of CEO prior to my commencement. I'd also like to thank the Yilli staff for continuing with the service provision, whilst we had people acting in the CEO role.

As the new CEO, I'll strive to build on the good work by implementing continuous improvement on service delivery. I'm committed to building and maintaining positive relationships with all stakeholders, including Tenants and Community Leaders.

My goal is to provide a culturally relevant and responsive service and to enable our people to become independent and proud of the house and community they live in.

In March 2018, as a part of the Town Camp Project, Yilli Housing signed a major agreement with the Northern Territory Government to provide the following services to Town Camps:

- Refurbishment of many Town Camp Houses
- Demolition of vacant houses that were deemed to be a threat in the event of Cyclone
- Upgrades to waterlines
- Civil works – Upgrades to roads and the installation of Bollards
- Sewerage upgrades to the Palmerston Indigenous Village.

Feedback from the Tenants of the Houses that have been refurbished, has been very positive and all reporting requirements to Government funding bodies have been of a high standard and on time.

Yilli Grounds and Maintenance staff did a fantastic job, cleaning up after Cyclone Marcus. All fallen trees were cleared, wood chipped and spread throughout.

In June, we had a staff Forum to commence work on a new Strategic Plan 2019 – 2022.

Yilli engaged the services of Price Waterhouse's Indigenous Consulting arm to assist with the development of the plan. This will ensure that we are on track in the process to achieve national registration as an Aboriginal Community Housing provider. On achievement of this accreditation, Yilli will become the first Aboriginal Community Housing provider in the NT to become Nationally registered.

All current and new staff will be required to undergo a Police Check in order to obtain an Ochre Card.

Im looking forward to the year ahead, Yilli will have clear direction on how we can diversify our revenue raising streams, achieve national registration as a community housing provider and secure a new "home" for ourselves in the event that it is not on the Berrimah Estate.

Thank you all

Leeanne Caton
CEO



Leeanne and Yilli's staff, Rob (far left) and Kenny (far right), with George Timson and Brian McClurg from the Department of Housing and Community Development at Bagot Community.

"Feedback from the Tenants of the Houses that have been refurbished, has been very positive and all reporting requirements to Government funding bodies have been of a high standard and on time."

Housing continuum

The Housing Continuum allows people to move through the continuum depending on their life circumstances and housing need at a particular point in time.

Yilli Housing strives to assist tenants to understand the Housing Continuum ensuring that housing options are available, hence tenants are not locked into a housing situation that maintains a low socio-economic lifestyle (i.e.: Public Housing).

In order to address Housing Continuum, Yilli Housing is actively broadening our housing stock, supplying innovative solutions and building partnerships to provide a variety of housing options to assist people moving through the continuum.

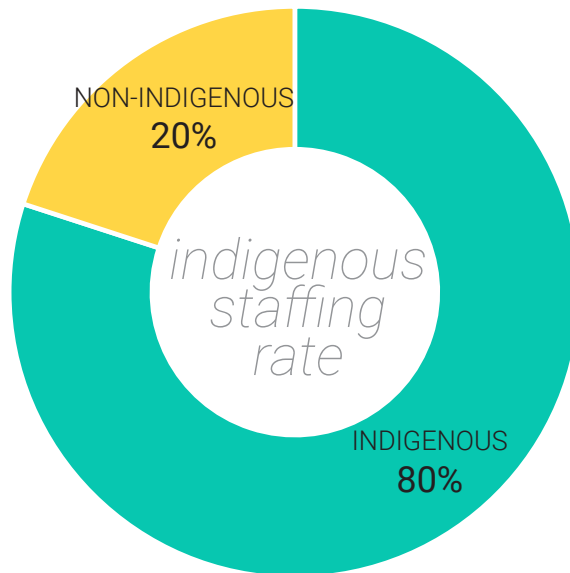
We have over the years been particularly successful in transitioning people from social housing stock, up into affordable housing as their circumstances have improved.



organisation staffing

In keeping with one of our core values, Indigenous employment rates in the organisation remain high with an Indigenous employment rate of 80% across the organisation.

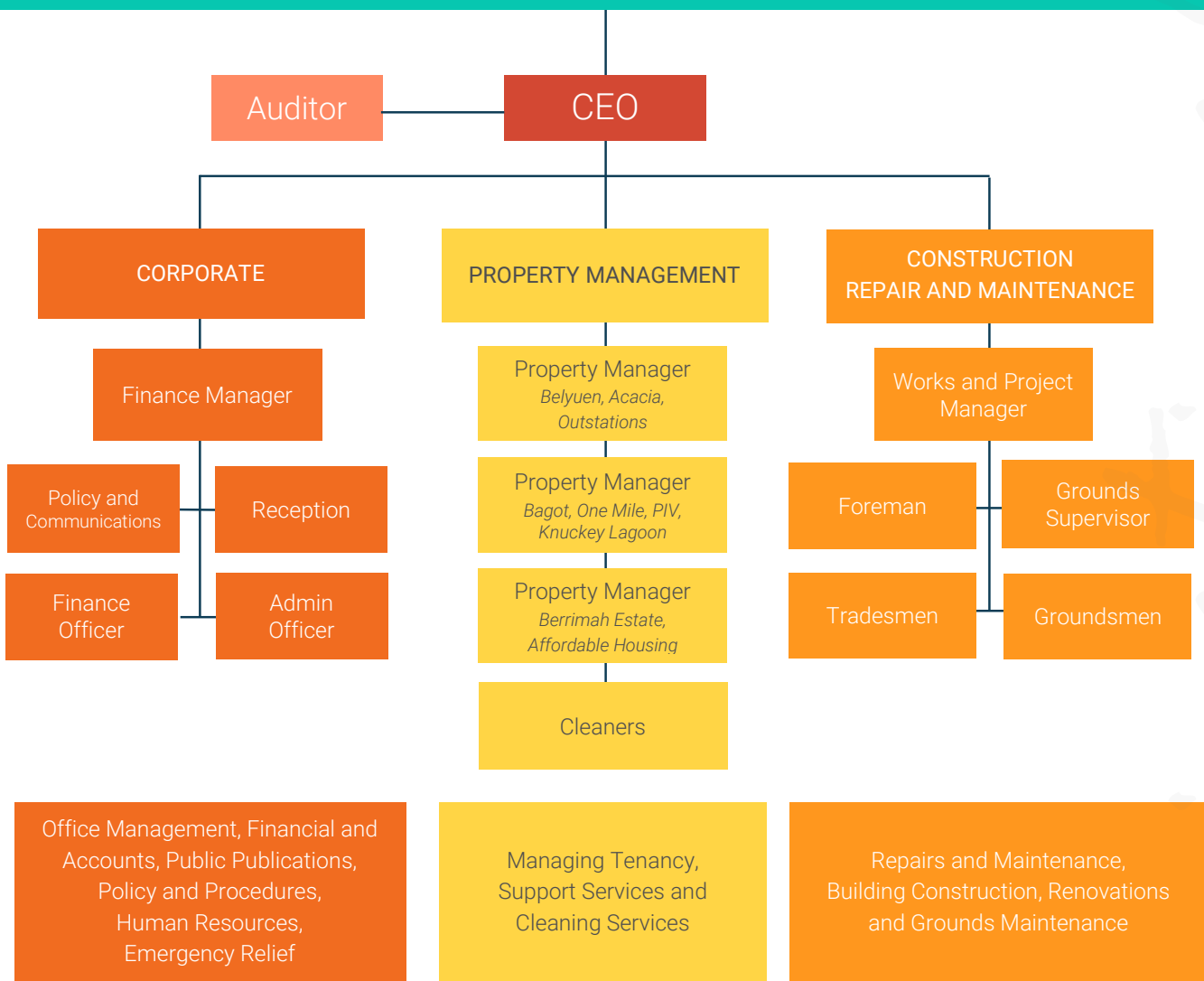
Staff retention rates continue to be excellent with the average staff retention now 4.88 years. The longest serving employee has now been with the organisation for 15 years.



organisational chart

Members, Leaseholder Organisations, Government, Tenants, Partners and Stakeholders

Yilli Rreung Aboriginal Housing Corporation Board sets the strategic direction, develops partnerships and policy and monitors organisation outcomes



One of the renovated houses at Bagot Community



operational reports

property management

affordable housing

Affordable Housing is housing that which is offered at a set rental rate below the average median Darwin rental price. That rate is currently approximately 20% below the Darwin average. The main target group for this housing is low income families or people that are not eligible for public housing due to their income but cannot afford mainstream rentals.

Yilli employs an officer to manage 65 affordable housing properties at Berrimah Estate, six properties in Palmerston, two in Leanyer and one in Karama. The houses in Palmerston and Leanyer are currently leased from NT Housing at a peppercorn lease. Extensive lobbying has been done with government to increase the number of affordable houses available under Yilli management.

<i>type</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>number</i>
Urban Affordable	BERRIMAH	37
Urban Affordable	KARAMA	1
Urban Affordable	LEANYER	2
Urban Affordable	PALMERSTON	6
Urban Affordable	CARAVAN SITES	10
Urban Affordable	HOSTEL ROOMS	18
TOTAL		75

community housing

Community Housing is housing that is provided to Indigenous people on the Indigenous living areas (town camps and outstations) in the Darwin region. It is offered at a rate of \$60 per bedroom per week in town or \$60 per dwelling on outstations. The rent also covers household water. Yilli Housing employs two property managers who oversee the tenancy management of the Yilli communities.

<i>type</i>	<i>location</i>	<i>number</i>
Urban Community	BAGOT	55
Urban Community	K\NUCKEY LAGOON	18
Urban Community	PALMERSTON TOWN CAMP	18
Urban Community	KULALUK	19
Urban Community	MINMARAMA	24
Urban Community	RAILWAY DAM	5
Outstations	AMANGAL	9
Outstations	BULGUL	12
Outstations	HUMPTY DOO	2
Outstations	PANDAYAL	3
Outstations	WALANGURMINY	5
Outstations	WOOLANGING	3
TOTAL		173

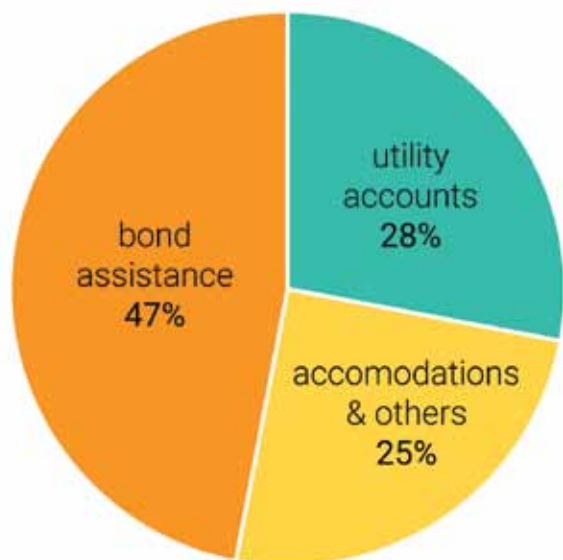
NT Government contracts – Belyuen and Acacia Larrakia

On behalf of the Northern Territory Government Yilli provides Community Housing Officer (CHO) and Housing Maintenance Officer (HMO) services to these two communities.

emergency relief

Yilli Housing provides emergency relief to clients who are experiencing hardship.

A total of 194 emergency relief clients was seen during the year. Clients mainly sought bond assistance and help with overdue utility accounts or rent.

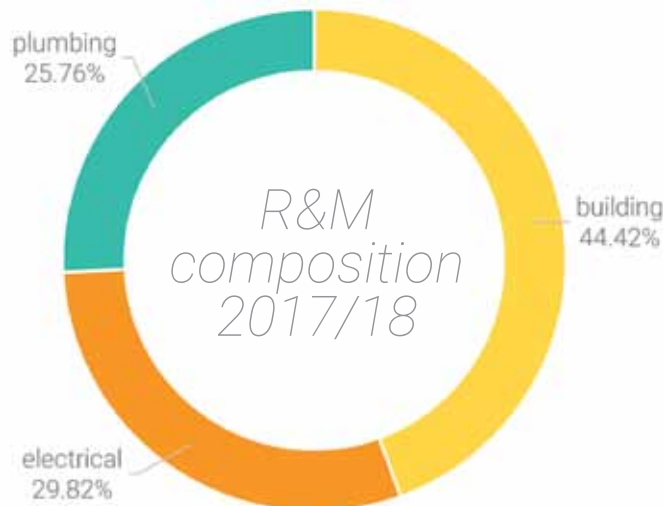


community repairs and maintenance

Yilli Housing also provides a repairs and maintenance (R&M) service to low income people and families in the wider Darwin community. Many of these people are housing commission clients and struggle to get mainstream contractors to do R&M at a fair and reasonable price and many subsequently face eviction. We offer low pricing, good workmanship and in many cases payment plans to enable people to get the repairs done and avoid breach and or eviction from their property. The clients and housing commission are very grateful for this service and we are getting increased referrals all the time.

We are also doing R&M works for a number of other community groups (and their clients) including CAAPS, Anglicare NT, Catholic Care and Mission Australia.

Through its Municipal Services program, Yilli Housing maintains electricity and solar power, roads, sewerage, water, airstrips, ground maintenance, rubbish removal and rubbish tips on its outstation communities.



Preventative Maintenance System

Over the past several years Yilli Housing has successfully implemented a Preventative Maintenance System across its housing stock. If a maintenance officer identifies other repairs while on site, they will complete minor works at the same time or contact the works manager to seek approval if it is a major or expensive repair. As a result, the number of urgent and priority repairs dropped significantly despite the age of the houses that are generally more than 30 years old. Most importantly, it reduces the cost of maintenance.

A good example is a dripping tap in a shower recess, a tap washer is only a few dollars and about 15 minutes for our Maintenance Team to repair, a total repair bill with labour of less than \$20. If that leaking shower tap is not reported or picked up on a routine inspection, the leak gets progressively worse and requiring a major response which often involves urgent out of hour's repairs with expensive call out rates for a plumber to come. This would require jackhammering and replacing of the tap breach and assorted pipes out of the wall, concreting and sealing the wall, replacing and re-grouting of the shower tiles, a job that would be in excess of \$800.

repairs and maintenance 2013-2018



capital works

Yilli Reung Housing Aboriginal Corporation has delivered this work, funded by the Northern Territory Government in May 2018 to address urgent works for housing and infrastructure in town camps.

Yilli Housing completed \$6.5 million of capital works across our communities in the 2017/18 period. These included:

- Refurbishment of Town Camp Houses totalling more than \$2.5m
- Major road upgrades, parking lot and bollard installation at bagot \$1m
- Major road upgrades, community fencing, driveways upgrades at Minmarama \$800k
- Major road upgrades, lighting, fencing at Knuckey Lagoon \$860k
- Sewerage upgrades at Palmerston Indigenous Village \$700k
- Street light upgrade at Palmerston Indigenous Village, Bagot and Knuckey Lagoon \$500k
- Demolition of shelters that were deemed to be a threat in the event of Cyclone





Mindy's house

Mindy's house renovation



Mindy Timber and her family moved back to her stunning 3-bedroom house at One Mile Dam after the long-awaited renovation.

re renovation

before



after



Mindy Timber was over the moon when she moved back to her newly renovated house at One Mile Dam. She expressed her gratitude to NT Government for the generous funding received to upgrade her new home and to Yilli Housing and DICE who worked very hard to give her house a new lease of life.

"Shocking, I almost cried, I don't know what to say, the boys did a great job!" Mindy was still in disbelief moments after returning to her brand new house.

More importantly, the new house has an internal bathroom and laundry. Previously she needed to walk to the ablution block next door to use the toilet or shower. "Best changes to my house is the toilet and shower. The kitchen is very nice, the ceiling is higher and more airflow," she said.

This project was completed in June 2018. The project also includes complete roof replacement, repaint, reclad, installation of new Stainless-steel kitchen with breakfast bar, window fittings and verandah. The increased workload from Town Camp Project has had an extremely positive effect, allowing Yilli Housing and our contractors to employ local electricians, apprentices and labourers.





<< Kingsley Monck with His parents James Monck & Tameka Kingi. Kingsley and mum are Larrakeyah people. Kingsley represented the Northern Territory junior boxing association at the Australian titles in Perth and was proudly supported by Yilli Housing. Kingsley has been awarded a scholarship to attend Rostrevor college next year in Adelaide.



<< Jan Allen and Dr Steve Cutter from AMRRIC at Knuckey Lagoon

giving back

Through self-generated funding, Yilli Housing was able to support a number of community events. These included:

- Sponsorship of the Bagot Women basketball uniforms for the Barunga festival
- DAIWS Christmas party \$500
- Donation to boxer Kingsley Monck
- Animal Management in Rural and Remote Indigenous Communities (AMRRIC) \$8000. AMRRIC provides animal management solutions to Indigenous Communities.
- Top End NAIDOC award sponsorship \$500



<< Bagot Women Basketball uniform

advocacy and sector development

Yilli Housing is committed to contribute to the Indigenous business sector as well as community and social housing development. In the past year Yilli Housing has worked collaboratively with the Northern Territory Government, including the Department of Housing and Community Development, in various projects, consultations, forums, working groups and request for information (RFI) submissions.

We held meetings and consultations with our lease holders and community residents to understand their aspirations, to prioritise projects– this includes the post cyclone Marcus recovery which affected most of our urban communities– and assist them in submissions and getting funding for Town Camp Upgrade Projects, ABA Homelands Project, etc.

Yilli Housing worked collaboratively with INPEX to provide road safety plan and mitigation at Palmerston Indigenous Village.

We are committed to Buy Local. Our suppliers and subcontractors are all based in NT and many of them are Indigenous businesses. Yilli Housing also empowers local residents through employment for our projects.

Yilli Housing as a member of NT Shelter assisted the Organisation during its transition period and during the Executive recruitment. We also provided account and finance pro-bono work for NT Shelter.

Yilli Housing also received pro-bono assistance from Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation during our transition period, we would like to thank Shaun Pearce for his contribution as an Interim CEO for Yilli Housing.

Yilli Housing participated in NT Aboriginal Housing Forum, we sent three staff to attend the Forum. Leeanne Caton was the MC for the Forum and now as our CEO, Leeanne continues to work on the establishment of Aboriginal Housing Peak Body in NT. Our strong relationships and networks with key stakeholders shows our commitment in the Aboriginal Housing sector.

Yilli Housing memberships:



**YILLI RREUNG HOUSING ABORIGINAL CORPORATION
STATEMENT BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD**

The Executive Board (the Board) has determined that the corporation is a reporting entity and that this general purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Board the financial report as set out on pages 7 to 23:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation as at 30 June 2018 and its result for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
3. The name of each member of the Board during the last financial year and to the date of this report are:

Chairperson	Jon Harris
Vice Chairperson	Regina Emma Bennett
Treasurer	Lorraine Beetson
Secretary	Tania McLeod
Contact Person	Leeanne Caton
Member	Tracy Peris
Member	Frank Spry
Member	Anthony Castro
Member	Petra Cubillo Adams
Member	Theresa Roe
Member	Kelly Yates
4. The Corporation is committed to improving the living standards of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people, largely but not confined in the Darwin region, by operating a business that will:
 - operate at the best practice in its provision of a high quality, and culturally appropriate housing services that offers affordable housing and associated housing support services;
 - buy, sell and supply of goods and services that are related to the business activities of the Corporation;
 - construct, maintain and alter of buildings or works necessary or convenient for any of the objects or purposes of the Corporation;
 - bring about sustainable economic development of the Corporation;
 - form partnership and alliances with other service providers to develop a holistic strategy in assisting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to access and sustain permanent and affordable housing;
 - promote awareness within the wider community of local Indigenous housing issues;
 - promote and encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment within the Corporation, and assist its employees to develop skills that will contribute towards individual and corporate goals;
 - provide comprehensive housing support service to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people without discrimination; and
 - undertake any other activities related or incidental to the principal activities of the Corporation where deemed to be appropriate by the directors.
5. The surplus of the Corporation for the financial year ended 30 June 2018 \$840,622 (2017 Surplus \$356,304).
6. The Corporation's operations are not subject to any significant environmental regulations under either Commonwealth or Territory legislation. However, the Directors believe that the Corporation has adequate systems in place for the management of its environmental requirements and is not aware of any breach of those environmental requirements as they apply to the Corporation.
7. At no time during the financial year ended 30 June 2018 was an officer of the Corporation the auditor, a partner in the audit firm, or a director of the audit company that undertook the audit of the Corporation for that financial year.

The lead auditor's independence declaration forms part of the directors' report for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.

8. During the year, no person has made application for leave in respect of the Corporation under section 169-5 of the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006. During the year, no person has brought or intervened in proceedings on behalf of the Corporation with leave under section 169-5 of the Act.

9. There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any matter or circumstance that has significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Corporation, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Corporation, in future financial years.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors and is signed for and on behalf of the Board by;

Chairperson / Director. 

Treasurer / Director. 

Dated this 17 day of October 2018.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**TO THE MEMBERS OF YILLI RREUNG HOUSING ABORIGINAL CORPORATION****Report on the Audit of the Financial Report****Opinion**

We have audited the general purpose financial report of Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation (the Corporation), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2018, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity, the cash flow statement for the year then ended, the notes to the financial statements including a summary of significant accounting policies and the statement by the members of the Board.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Corporation has been prepared in accordance with the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Corporation's financial position as at 30 June 2018 and of its financial performance for the year then ended;
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2013*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Corporation in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

Without qualification to the statement expressed above, attention is drawn to the following matters:

Dependency on Government Funding

We refer to Note 1 where it states that the Corporation is reliant on operating grants from government departments. The financial report of the Corporation has been prepared on a going concern basis on the expectation that such funding will continue. Without such funding there is significant uncertainty whether the Corporation will be able to continue as a going concern and therefore whether it will realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities in the normal course of business and at the amounts stated in the financial statements.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the Corporation to meet the reporting requirements of the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*. As a result the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Corporation are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and for such internal controls as the directors determine are necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Corporation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Corporation or to cease operation, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors are also responsible for overseeing the Corporation's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website (<http://www.auasb.gov.au/home.aspx>) at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf.

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

LOWRYS ACCOUNTANTS

Colin James, FCA
Registered Company Auditor

Darwin
Date: 17 October 2018

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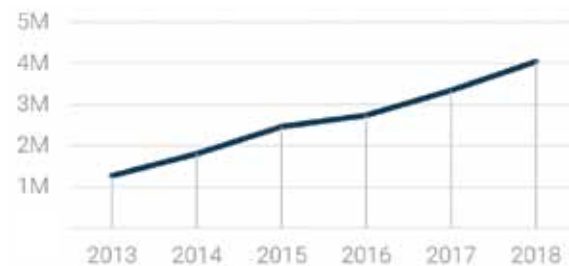
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2018

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	6,523,061	3,092,868
Receivables	1,749,909	86,175
Other	411,275	408,513
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	8,684,245	3,587,556
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	585,064	676,546
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	585,064	676,546
TOTAL ASSETS	9,269,309	4,264,102
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	2,609,496	553,311
Provisions	2,404,722	89,140
Other	131,743	163,444
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	5,145,961	805,895
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Provisions	83,880	120,316
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	83,880	120,316
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,229,841	926,212
NET ASSETS	4,039,468	3,337,890
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Accumulated surplus	3,974,488	3,133,866
Asset revaluation reserve	64,980	204,024
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS	4,039,468	3,337,890

Comprehensive Income (\$)



Net Assets (\$)

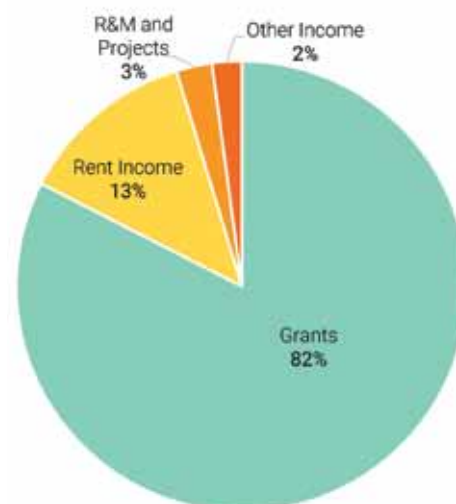


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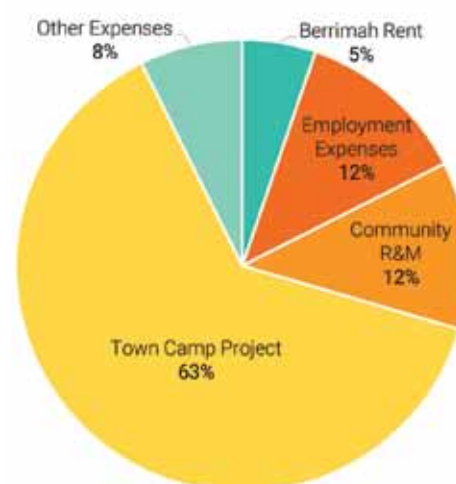
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
REVENUE		
Grants	9,268,893	2,077,367
Other Income	1,948,772	2,474,853
TOTAL REVENUE	11,217,665	4,552,220
EXPENDITURE		
Other Operating Expense	1,193,505	1,455,209
Repairs & Maintenance	548,481	728,049
Community - R&M	793,518	640,788
Motor Vehicle Expense	86,401	90,582
Employment Expense	1,263,010	1,201,173
Project Expenses	6,525,259	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	10,410,174	4,115,801
NET OPERATING SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	807,491	436,419
Unexpended Grants brought forward from prior year	165,036	84,921
Unexpended Grants carried forward to next year	(131,905)	(165,036)
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	840,622	356,304
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	840,622	356,304

2018 Income



2018 Expenses





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