



Unity Through Enterprise

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**Job boost for Galiwin'ku as ALPA is awarded housing contract
February 5th 2019**

The Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation (ALPA) is celebrating after being awarded a contract by the Northern Territory Government Department of Infrastructure Planning and Logistics to build nine new houses in Galiwin'ku/ Elcho Island.

The contract will secure up to six new local Indigenous jobs through our subsidiary company Bukmak Constructions and give our existing eight employees ongoing fulltime work during the construction of the houses.

ALPA's General Manager of Enterprise and Economic Development, Mr Steve Roberts, says it's great to see the Northern Territory Government supporting Indigenous businesses to help generate much needed local employment in remote communities".

"We are pleased that the Northern Territory Government has the confidence in ALPA in regards to the capacity and capability to deliver the contract in the nominated timeline."



The contracts are funded under the Australian Government Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) following Cyclone Lam and Nathan in 2015.

Mr Roberts says, "It's a win-win situation for Galiwin'ku. Not only does this contract help alleviate the housing shortfall but it creates ongoing jobs for locals".

Northern Territory Minister for Local Government, Housing and Community Development Gerry McCarthy says "It is pleasing to see local organisations in remote

communities winning contracts for housing work which lines up with the Territory Labor Government's remote housing plan to see local organisations deliver local jobs over the long term.

"Engaging local people in every layer of the housing sector will deliver generational change and improved outcomes."

An important part of this contract will see Bukmak Constructions utilise or sub-contract to other Indigenous owned and operated businesses such as YBE Civil and Binjari Community Aboriginal Corporation.



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Fact and figures:

- 5 x four bedroom houses
- 4 x six bedroom houses
- Up to 6 new local jobs
- Creates ongoing work for our existing employees
- Partnerships with other NT Indigenous owned and operated businesses.

Works commenced in January 2019 and are planned to finish in August this year.

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