



Unity through Enterprise

The Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation

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Hands Up! for Arnhem Land Appeal

ALPA and Rotary join forces to support the Cyclone Lam Recovery

ALPA has been taking calls from the public and local businesses asking how they can help the residents of Arnhem Land affected by Cyclone LAM. The immediate need is for replacement bedding which was destroyed in the Cyclone. The Rotary Club of Darwin North ALPA and Vinnies will coordinate the collection, delivery and distribution of the donations to those in most need. Toll Marine Logistics will freight the goods to the communities at no charge.

ALPA is also accepting monetary donations to assist the residents of Galiwin'ku, Milingimbi, Ramingining and Gapuwiyak. The Donations will go to assisting the community residents in most need in consultation with community leaders. ALPA has received a generous donation from Toll Marine Logistics of \$25,000 to kick off the appeal.

Cyclone Lam hit Arnhem Land on Thursday night affecting Galiwin'ku, Milingimbi, Ramingining and Gapuwiyak. Estimates of up to 300 people on Galiwin'ku alone are thought to be homeless, and bedding is in short supply.

ALPA RJCP teams at Milingimbi and Ramingining continue to work tirelessly cleaning up the community and clearing debris from fallen trees and damaged buildings. Working in intense heat and humidity, ALPA staff and RJCP workers have been working extremely hard, despite most workers living in housing with no electricity available currently.

The cleanup after Cyclone Lam is not over. Your help is urgently sought to assist people living on the communities of Galiwin'ku, Milingimbi, Ramingining and Gapuwiyak to rebuild their lives in the wake of this tragedy.

Donations are currently being accepted by ALPA and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Donations of good quality new or second hand mattresses and bedding can be dropped directly at ALPA Head Office (89446444) or Vinnies at 105 Dick Ward Drive Coconut Grove (89480887) during business hours.

Online Donations can be made by visiting the ALPA webpage at:

www.alpa.asn.au and clicking on the Donate Now button.



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ALPA will also accept donations via EFT, mail or in person at:

ALPA Head Office
70 O'Sullivan Circuit
East Arm NT 0828
GPO Box 3825
Darwin NT 0801

ALPA Bank account details:

Account Name: Cyclone Lam

BSB: 085 933

Account Number: 734 865 089

Please quote : Donor name in details field

Email: rabin.timsina@alpa.asn.au

To obtain a receipt to claim your tax deduction for all donations over \$2
Please include transaction details.

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