



Program Profile

Program name	Martuku Jijiku Maya (Martu Student Hostel)
Location/s	Newman, WA
Client group	Young people aged 12-17 and their families
Internal stakeholders	Regional Manager, Team Leader, Senior Practitioner, Youth Specialists
External stakeholders	Schools, Department of Education, local service providers
Program or project description	<p>54 reasons partners with Jamukurnu-Yapalikurnu Aboriginal Corporation (JYAC) to manage Martuku Jijiku Maya (Martu Student Hostel) in Newman. The Hostel aims to support Martu students from remote communities in the Pilbara to attend Newman District Senior High School.</p> <p>Working in close collaboration with Martu people and community, we are led by Martu elders and culture in our program development, decision-making, and daily operations.</p> <p>The model includes the following basic principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strong Martu cultural context• Overall adherence to the goal of academic achievement• Safety and Security (physically and emotionally) of our students is paramount <p>The hostel functions like a typical household where children can be supported to undertake their schooling with their primary needs (such as food and safety) met as well as their emotional, physical and social needs.</p> <p>Our staff provide one on one support to each student and assist in transport, recreational activities, life skill development (for example teaching cooking and cleaning) social interaction, school homework, while allowing the students to just be young people and have some fun.</p>
Additional information	The program is currently funded until January 2026.