

2018-19 LAJAMANU COMMUNITY PLAN

NUMBER OF STAFF = 25 / INDIGENOUS STAFF = 72%

WARD COUNCILLORS: Cr Norbert Patrick
Cr Robert George

LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS: Joe Marshall (Chair), Sheree Anderson (Deputy Chair), Tracie Patrick, Jenny Johnson, Elizabeth Ross, Andrew Johnson, Mike Doolan, Anthony Johnson, Titus White

COMMUNITY PROFILE



Home to 600 people, Lajamanu is the Council's northern most community, being 1300km from Alice Springs (via the Stuart Highway) and 560km south-west of Katherine. It is situated on the edge of the Tanami Desert. Lajamanu has a school, a higher education centre, church, recreation hall, shop, airstrip, library, community safety patrol, aged & disability service, playgroup, Centrelink office, post office, visitors' accommodation, womens' shelter, arts centre, Central Land Council office and PAW Media.

RECENT COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ Upgrades to parks, including replacement of old bollards and removal of contaminated soil
- ✓ Fencing program to replace damaged and non-existent fencing around 24 community houses
- ✓ Major upgrade of water supply to Lul-tju outstation including measure to ensure uninterrupted supply
- ✓ Signage to landfill increasing safety
- ✓ New garbage compactor
- ✓ Solar lights installed at the sorry ground and Holy Ground park

WHAT WE LIKE ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY:

- ➔ Good number of people
- ➔ Activities for adults such as the arts centre
- ➔ Good sporting facilities
- ➔ Sporting competitions

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WHAT WE WANT LAJAMANU TO LOOK LIKE IN THE FUTURE:

COMMUNITY VISION: Lajamanu is a thriving community where there are good jobs

Strategies (HOW):

A. Request to Council (Deliver)	DO
B. Outsource	BUY
C. Work with another party	PARTNER
D. Get someone else to deliver	LOBBY
E. Cannot meet this goal	DO NOT DO

PRIORITY GOALS (WHAT WE WANT TO ACHIEVE):

1. Additional, better quality housing including pest control
2. More jobs including trade apprenticeships
3. Additional trees and landscaping
4. Upgrade roads in community and on outstations
5. Water at ceremony ground

HOW:

LOBBY - NTG
LOBBY – FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
DO
PARTNER / DO
DO

REVIEW: Annual community meeting

MEASUREMENT: Three out of five priorities progressed by 2022

Other goals to consider when priorities are achieved:

- ➔ *Vet services to promote healthy dogs*
- ➔ *Shade, grass, water and seating at football oval*
- ➔ *More accommodation*
- ➔ *Tertiary training centre*
- ➔ *Encouraging young people to stay in community*
- ➔ *Water park*
- ➔ *Getting kids to school/home and to sleep*
- ➔ *Seal road to Kalkarindji*
- ➔ *Aged care/residential housing (granny flats)*
- ➔ *More visitors accommodation, extend Long House*