## KIMBERLEY JUVENILE JUSTICE STRATEGY



As 2024 draws to a close, we want to take a moment to celebrate the amazing work and dedication of all KJJS-funded service providers across the Kimberley region. Your passion and efforts in youth initiatives have made a truly transformative impact, and together we've achieved so much in supporting the community. With the State Government's recent commitment of \$9.7 million to continue funding KJJS programs, we are looking forward to working with you all in 2025. The KJJS team would also like to wish you all a happy festive season and a joyful new year.



## ABORIGINAL LEGAL SERVICE BROOME





The Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia Limited (ALSWA) Youth Engagement Program West Kimberley (YEP-WK) recently conducted a two-day on-Country activity with staff members from YEP Broome team and the YEP Halls Creek team. They took eight clients from Halls Creek, Derby and Broome to participate in cultural activities.

Day One – The YEP team and clients went to James Price Point where they hunted for mud crabs. The group successfully caught 16 mud crabs as well as Barra.

Day Two – The YEP team and clients went to Roebuck Plains and hunted for goanna; they caught a pretty big one (which is pictured to the left, with the YEP team).

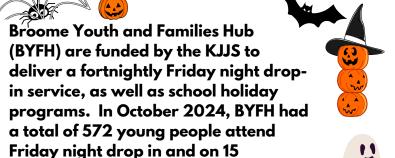
The young people enjoyed being able to get out of town and go out bush and participate in cultural activities that have been handed down for generations. Staff from YEP-WK Broome office witnessed the excitement and pride of the young people when they returned to the office. Staff also reported that other young people have been asking about future hunting/fishing trips.

## ALS STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

A huge thank you to ALS for establishing and organising the monthly KJJS stakeholder meetings. Moving forward for 2025, the KJJS team will be organising these meetings. The first meeting for 2025 will be on Monday 20 January, and we are looking forward to co-designing these meetings with you all.

Thank you again to ALS for their hard work and commitment to bringing everyone together.





November, they ran a very successful Halloween party!



For the Halloween party, the participants assisted with decorating the venue weeks in advance with spiderwebs, skulls, blacking out the windows, and helping make room for a DJ. There was face painting and apple dunking and the scariest costumes were given prizes.

The event brought new faces to the Drop-in Centre, and it strengthened relationships with local services and families in the community.





## NOMINATION FOR IPAA ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Department of Justice, Kullarri Regional Communities Indigenous Corporation (KRCIC), and West Kimberley Futures - Empowered Communities (EC-West) were nominated for the Institute of Public Administration Australia (IPAA) Achievement Award in the category 'Best Practice in Collaboration between Government and Other Organisations' for the KJJS-Collab Project, now known as Ngurra Buru. Even though we didn't come away with the win we were privileged to have been nominated and made a finalist for recognition of the collaboration between the Department of Justice and our providers.









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