



WUNAN FACT SHEET



Governance Program

The Federal Government has provided funding to Wunan Foundation to deliver a Capacity & Governance Program, as part of the Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS). The purpose of the program is to support Indigenous organisations to strengthen their capacity, governance and leadership.

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Strong, well-run Aboriginal organisations play a very important role in improving the lives of community members. Capacity & Governance have, for many years, been a focus of Aboriginal community development organisations and of governments.

Unfortunately, many Aboriginal organisations that were established to address issues and challenges within Aboriginal communities have struggled with capacity and governance. This undermines Aboriginal empowerment and prevents sustainable change.

We know that strengthening the organisational capacity of Indigenous organisations is critical to improving the health, wellbeing and prosperity of Aboriginal communities.

Unfortunately, previous initiatives to address poor governance have been unsuccessful because they have been based on a 'one-size fits all' approach that has been unable to offer customised local solutions or respond to identified needs.

With strong operational and sustainable performance structures in place, Aboriginal organisations can drive reform and be part of developing lasting solutions to the challenges faced by Aboriginal communities. Wunan will provide organisations who wish to take



part in the program with tailor-made solutions in a range of areas, including:

- ◆ Financial management
- ◆ Reporting and risk management
- ◆ Grant application & reporting support
- ◆ Development of operational manuals
- ◆ Broader support programs, as required
- ◆ A robust Governance and Leadership Program

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