



Ganalili Transitional Housing Program

Managed by Yurra

Frequently Asked Questions

The Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation has constructed nine transitional housing units and a commercial training facility to enable apprentices and low-income employees' access to suitable, stable, affordable accommodation; and offer a pathway to transition to private rental or home ownership.

The Ganalili Transitional Housing Program (GTHP) is a housing and support program for Aboriginal people living in the Roebourne, Wickham or Karratha area. Participants in the program will have affordable rent and access to support services to help gain independent living skills to improve employment, training, financial capacity and health and well-being. Participants will be required to attend workshops and engage with support services recommended by the GTHP.

Application to participate in the program is open to all employed Aboriginal people in the local area, however preference will be given to employees of Yurra.

The Ganalili Transitional Housing facility is an alcohol and pet free facility.

- ***Do I have to be Yindjibarndi?***

No.

The Ganalili Transition Housing Program is open to all employed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the Wickham/Roebourne/Karratha locality. Priority is allocated to Yurra employees and other employed Aboriginal people in Roebourne.

- ***What do I need to be eligible?***

You must be currently working/training and have a good work or training attendance record. You must have an income of \$48/hour or below. Participants with school aged children must ensure they attend school regularly. You must commit to working with service providers to achieve goals and aspirations. You must have no sex offenses and not be named on a VRO taken out by anyone participating in the GTHP.

- ***Do I have to apply as a family?***

No.

You can apply as a single person, a couple, or a family with or without children and as siblings.

If you apply as a couple or a family with children, school aged children must regularly attend school.

A single person or couple can apply for a 1-bedroom unit.

Siblings, couples with a max of 2 children or two single applicants can apply for a 2-bedroom unit.

- ***Do I need to have a deposit? (BOND)***

Yes.

If you are successful in the initial expression of interest stage, you will be asked to submit an application form. If your application is successful, you will then sign a Tenancy Agreement and you will need to pay a bond equivalent to one fortnight rent.

You may have time before becoming a participant in the program to save for a bond. We may be able assist by referring you to a financial coach to help you budget to save for the bond. You may also be eligible to apply for a bond assistance loan from Dept of Communities.

- ***Can I apply if I have a debt?***

Yes.

However, there are limits to existing levels of debt for participants which will need to be disclosed on the application form.

During the application process, we will assess your level of debt and you may be referred to a financial councillor to develop a plan to manage repayments.



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- ***Where are the houses located and how many are available?***

There are 9 units available in the Ganalili Transitional Housing facility. The units are located at 38 Roe Street Roebourne, next door to the Ganalili Centre.

- ***How many bedrooms do the units have?***

There are two units with two bedrooms and seven units with one bedroom.

One-bedroom units are designed for single tenant or couples with no children.

Two-bedroom units are designed for couples with up to two children or two independent adult tenants.

- ***Are the units furnished?***

Yes.

The units come with the following furniture.

Bedroom furniture, (queen bed) and bedding (sheets, pillows etc)

Loungeroom furniture, (including TV)

Kitchen furniture and white goods, (including, microwave, fridge, and freezer).

Kitchen utensils, (including plates, cups etc)

Personal effects and items are to be provided by the tenant.

- ***Do we have to take care of the garden?***

It is expected that you will help maintain the standard of the facility and communal areas.

- ***Can I bring Pets?***

No.

Unfortunately, as the grounds are shared with other tenants you are not able to have any pets.

- ***How do I apply? What do I do next?***

You need to fill in an Expression of Interest Form.

These forms can be accessed from the Yurra website.

<https://www.yurra.com.au/ganalili-transitional-housing-project>

If your Expression of Interest form is successful, we will contact you to proceed to the next stage. You will then be required to complete a more detailed Application Form.

For this next stage (Application Form) you will need to provide further details on your current living arrangements, your employment/training and financial details and if you have any debts. You will also need to agree to a National Police Clearance, this may require 100 points of identification. (Please contact us if you require assistance with this process). You must also agree to participate in the support services workshops and program meetings.

- ***How long does the application process take? When will I find out if I am successful?***

If your application meets all the selection requirements, it will then be reviewed by an Assessment Panel, who determine successful entrance into the Ganalili Transitional Housing Program.

It is anticipated that applicants will earn the outcome of their application within two weeks of the assessment panel review of the application.