

## **PROJECTS INCLUDE:**

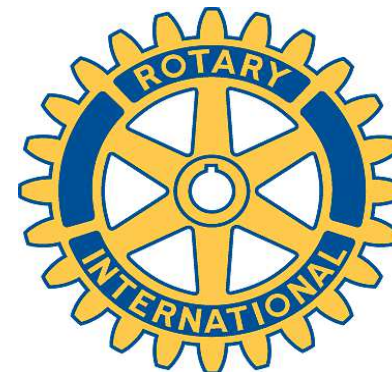
- **Christmas Health Promotion & Kids Take Charge Project, Kowanyama, Far North Queensland**
- **Gumatj Association Half Way House, Nhulunbuy, N.T.**
- **Sporting equipment for Gawa Christian School, Elcho Island, N.T.**
- **Scholarships at Box Hill TAFE**
- **Colour Printer for Worawa Aboriginal College, Healesville**
- **Sponsorship of students from Gawa Christian College, Elcho Island, N.T.**
- **Dilly Bag Project – Literacy**
- **Providing guidance to the Dandenong & District Aboriginal Co-operative: Applications & provision of a Laptop**
- **ARH Scholarships**
- **Exchange Program between Ramingining N.T. & Cockatoo Primary Schools**
- **Sporting Scholarships**
- **VACSAL/BYWAYS support**
- **Tiwi Island Project**
- **Rural Health Education**
- **Tjuratja Café Project, N.T.**
- **Purnululu School Bus, W.A.**
- **Partnership with Lindsay Couzens Trust – Education, W.A.**

## **AUSTRALIAN INDIGENOUS SUPPORT**

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**In 2007, contact with D.G's Jenny Coburn & Denis Hyland resulted in Research and in 2008, District 9810 introduced Indigenous Projects into its Community Services Program. The goal was to focus on supporting children under the age of five years.**

**In 2010, the Australian Indigenous Support Committee was formed. Its Mission Statement is to leverage the services of Rotary Clubs within District 9810. To diligently and effectively provide services to and for the aboriginal community beyond that of Government by:**

- **Supporting and guiding young aboriginals who aspire to be leaders in their community**
- **Financially assisting aboriginal students with their academic and sporting endeavours**
- **Assisting health organizations in enabling aboriginal communities to sustain good health care practice**
- **Providing scholarships**

**Assistance is needed beyond what Governments can provide and projects worthy of consideration need to be developed in consultation with:**

- **Elders and Indigenous Workers**
- **Government and Non-Government Agencies relevant to the project**
- **Rotary Districts and Clubs in the specific areas of need.**



### **PRIMARY HEALTH CARE, EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL AUSTRALIANS IS VITAL**

**The gap in life expectancy between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians exceeds 10 years. Most of that gap is due to chronic diseases which affect Indigenous Australians and includes Diabetes, Lung, Heart and Kidney Disease.**

**The Rural Health Education Foundation reported *'that much of this chronic illness, and the associated complications, can be prevented with effective primary health care'*.**

### **CLOSE THE GAP ON HEALTH EQUALITY**

**According to Professor Fiona Stanley of Perth, Western Australia, a pathway aimed at preventing and focusing on this need is;**

- **To safeguard the healthy development of babies**
- **To strengthen early childhood services focusing on prevention and support of parents**
- **To reduce segregation and the effects associated with poverty, and**
- **To create a family enabling society.**