

## **Budget 2024-25**

This information is accurate as of 14 May 2024.

## Remote Jobs and Economic Development Program

This measure was announced as part of the Closing the Gap Implementation Plan on 13 February 2024. This is a first step to deliver on the government's commitment to replace the Community Development Program with real jobs, proper wages and decent conditions.

The Remote Jobs and Economic Development Program is being developed in partnership with First Nations people. It will start in the second half of 2024.

The Remote Jobs and Economic Development Program aims to:

- create 3,000 jobs in remote communities for remote employment services participants living in the 60 remote employment services regions
- include a Community Jobs and Business Fund for capital and equipment to support the creation of jobs under the program
- connect with opportunities in the private and public sectors to bring the economy to remote communities and generate long term permanent jobs
- include a focus on young people to improve their employment opportunities once they've finished school.

The National Indigenous Australians Agency will consider options to support jobs approved under the Community Development Program Community Projects Trials and the New Jobs Program Trial to transition to the Remote Jobs and Economic Development Program.

This measure is led by the National Indigenous Australians Agency.

This measure is not subject to legislation passing.

## Who does this measure affect?

This affects Jobseekers living in Community Development Program remote employment services regions.

## When will this start and finish?

The measure will start in the second half of 2024 and end on 30 June 2028.

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