

# Media Release



## Applications open for Fortescue Community Support program

**PORT HEDLAND, 27 March 2014:** Local community organisations involved in programs, activities and events within the council boundaries of the Town of Port Hedland, the Shire of East Pilbara and the Tom Price area are encouraged to apply for funding of up to \$5,000 through the Fortescue Community Support program.

Now in its 7<sup>th</sup> year the Fortescue Community Support program has helped not-for-profit organisations and community groups fund beneficial programs, activities and events.

Fortescue Group Manager Government and Community Alexa Morcombe said the Community Support program focuses on initiatives that embrace and support education and training, Aboriginal engagement, health and wellness, community safety, community involvement, economic development and environmental responsibility.

"Fortescue values the communities in which we operate and the Community Support program is just one of the ways we invest in these communities," Ms Morcombe said.

"In our last funding round we supported 30 local, community-focused organisations including Port Hedland's Youth Involvement Council, St John Ambulance Port Hedland, Care for Hedland Environmental Association, East Pilbara Softball Association, Marble Bar Community Resource Centre, Tom Price Amateur Swimming Club and the Tom Price Senior High School to name just a few of the recipients."

Applications for Fortescue Community Support are open from 1 April, 2015 until 30 April, 2015. For more information or to apply visit [www.fmgl.com.au/community](http://www.fmgl.com.au/community), email [hedlandcommunity@fmgl.com.au](mailto:hedlandcommunity@fmgl.com.au), or drop into the Fortescue Community Office in the South Hedland Shopping Centre.



*A Fortescue community grant helped Ngurra Kujungka's Western Desert women's softball teams, Yapurra and Kakarra, compete in Perth earlier this year. The Kakarra (meaning East) team drew representatives from Jigalong, Punmu, Parnngurr and Kiwirrkurra communities, while the Yapurra (West) team comprised players from the Warralong, Nullagine and Parnpajinya communities.*

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