



Enrich

Optimism, harmony, respect, understanding and social wellbeing – these personal and community goals underpin the aims of the Department of Indigenous Affairs' (DIA) Enrich program, introduced in January 2003 to advance reconciliation in Western Australia (WA).

Enrich – which means encouraging reconciliation through Indigenous culture and heritage – is a program of educational, awareness and funding initiatives designed to achieve reconciliation in every WA community.

The DIA created Enrich to bring together existing and new reconciliation programs as its commitment to the signing in October 2001 of the Statement of Commitment to a new and just relationship between the State Government and the Indigenous people of WA.

Enrich furthers the achievements of the DIA's core business areas, all of which have reconciliation at their heart – the DIA makes significant advances for reconciliation every day through its work in the management and transfer of land, management and protection of Aboriginal heritage and culture, coordination of a whole-of-government approach to Indigenous issues and support to families tracking their family history. The DIA is committed to working with the State Government and WA's 58,000 Indigenous people to achieve social and economic equity for Indigenous people through programs that contribute to reconciliation.

Enrich builds on the DIA's successful reconciliation and heritage grants scheme, introduced in 2001; PALS, the revised schools awards program; cultural sponsorships, such as PIAF and Survival; NAIDOC events; and several new initiatives including the Enrich Swan Foreshore Walk Trail and WA's 175th Anniversary events, in 2004.

From 2005, all projects that meet the Enrich philosophy will carry the Enrich logo.

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