



Media Release

DEAL Partnership to Deliver Increased Micro Enterprise Support

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Developing East Arnhem Limited is pleased to announce a partnership with Many Rivers that will deliver increased micro-enterprise development services in East Arnhem Land.

Many Rivers is a not-for-profit organisation that provides microenterprise development services to marginalised and disadvantaged Australians, with a focus on Indigenous Australians in regional and remote communities.

Many Rivers' approach is to address structural barriers to economic participation through the delivery of specialised and intensive start up business support, and, resources such as loan funds and pro bono legal support through strategic alliances with Westpac and Squire Patton Boggs.

"The ability to work with Many Rivers offers DEAL an exciting opportunity to extend its support to new businesses that are hoping to start and grow in the region" said Ms. Carley Scott, CEO of Developing East Arnhem Limited (DEAL). "This partnership is a significant announcement that will further strengthen the work undertaken by DEAL by increasing our time on the ground, improve access to Remote Product Distribution systems through Pop-Up Shops, and increase access to pro bono legal support through Squire Patton Boggs.

Many Rivers' will commence the recruitment process shortly to attract a suitably qualified and experienced Field Officer who can provide microenterprise development support to people wanting to establish and develop their own business. The Field Officer will sit with the DEAL team in Nhulunbuy, and will also work across the entire East Arnhem region.

Adding a Many Rivers Field Officer to the DEAL team is set to be another an exciting development in the ongoing delivery of economic development support for the region. Particularly for residents of East Arnhem Land who have expressed an interest in starting their own business, but have been unsure about the next steps they should take.

The Field Officer position is currently being advertised online (www.ethicaljobs.com.au), and will be advertised in the NT News and Arafura Times. Applications for the position will close on 13 September 2015.