

Department of Justice - Funded initiatives in the NT that support vulnerable children and families											
Organisation/agency name	Description of child protection project/activity	core client group (please include numbers of clients that have accessed the service/activity over the past 12 months)	Key partners	funding source & current allocation	Delivery method	Delivery sites and location of service	Key outcomes	Current issues impacting on service delivery eg service delivery model needs to be modified to better meet emerging needs of client group, increased resources or change to resource allocation is needed to meet unmet need	Priority rating (indicator of funding imperative) (A = increase investment to expand project/program, model has demonstrated capacity and direct outcomes that are making children and families safer and directly meeting a service gap, B = additional funding would deliver some outcomes to vulnerable children and families, meets some unmet needs and enhances suite of services/support available to vulnerable children and families, C = additional resources/funding would deliver broad service system improvements and enhance community safety, no direct outcomes for vulnerable children and families.	Please categorise the initiative (ie. Universal/primary, secondary and tertiary)	Identify improvements/changes that will consolidate current outcomes eg. co-location of service
Department of Justice - Licensing, Regulation and Alcohol Strategy	School Liaison program: Focus on gathering intelligence on the supply of alcohol and tobacco to young and underage people. Investigate the use of altered or false ID by young underage people.	Potential access	School based staff	Within current budget allocations	Personal visits	Place based	Restricting young people's the access to alcohol and tobacco. Providing community education. Investigating legal proceedings against traders/suppliers	Licensing Inspectors / field staff need to incorporate child protection guidelines into their operating procedures when visiting the homes/schools/families of young people found presenting false ID in pubs, clubs and hotels or purchasing illegal products.	C	Tertiary	Better reporting networks and awareness of field staff
Department of Justice - Court Support Services	Making of Court orders and imposition of sentences including orders under the <i>Youth Justice Act</i> and <i>Care and Protection of Children Act</i> . Court staff provide administrative support.	Referral only	Referral agencies- Department of Health and Families, Police, Corrections	Within current budget allocations	Court Orders	Magistrate's court	Providing timely justice, reducing recidivism.	Improved timeliness of orders, improved lines of communication between referral agencies.	B	Tertiary	Enhance support service coordination with pre and post sentencing activities.
Department of Justice - Court Support Services	Court Diversion Programs assist parents in addressing alcohol and drug problems and identify at risk children	Approximately 370 clients referred to Diversion Programs through the Magistrate's Court were assessed in 2009	NGOs, DHF, Police, Corrections	Within current budget allocations	Face to face interviews	Magistrate's court	Improving health, reducing offending, improving quality of life	Agency capacity, lack of treatment services in rural and remote areas, limited treatment choices	C	Tertiary	Expand available treatment services
Department of Justice - Correctional Services	Home Detention Assessments	Offenders who will potentially serve a home detention order	Courts, Police	Agency budget	Courts order, assessments carried out by Community Corrections staff.	Territory-wide (staff based in major centres, with probation and parole officers also located in a number of remote towns)	Offenders successfully complete home detention order. Assessment takes into account risks, including risks to children resident in or visiting the home subject of the order.	Insufficient resourcing to provide high standard of supervision / monitoring of these orders.	B	Tertiary	Better communication with DHF / child protection staff about children at risk
Department of Justice - Correctional Services	Juvenile detention	young people serving period in custody	Courts, Police, Dept Health and Families, Dept Education	agency budget	Detention at Don Dale or held temporarily at AS Juvenile Holding Centre	Don Dale - Darwin, ASJHC - Alice Springs	Juveniles successfully complete sentence.	Service delivery model current primary focus is secure humane detention. Needs adaptation to focus on case management, other measures to address offending behaviour and/or life circumstances and reduce risk of future offending.	B	Tertiary	Greater liaison/work with DHF, adoption of alternative service delivery framework and model
Department of Justice - Community and Justice Policy (Australian Classification Education program)	A community based education campaign targeting Indigenous people, particularly in remote communities to raise awareness of the classification system and the negative impact exposure to pornography can have on young people.	The education tools and workshops focus on empowering men to take responsibilities for their families, protecting children and their roles as fathers, uncles, brothers and men. As at February 2010, some 33 workshops have been completed with over 1500 participants	Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (funding body). Australian Institutes of Criminology. National Association for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN), the Commonwealth Attorney-General's	Current funding is provided by the Australian Government of \$1.2m for the next three years from 1 June 2009.	Education tools and workshops delivered in communities.	Some 17 remote communities across the Northern Territory including Darwin and Alice Springs as well as the Darwin and Alice Springs Correctional Facilities (prisons).	The key messages are: there is a film and literature classification system that operates in Australia; pornography is harmful to children; it is illegal for person under 18 years to have access to or to view any R18+ or X18+ rated film or printed material and that there are penalties; and R18+ and X18+ rated material is banned on prescribed communities (as declared by the Federal Minister for Family and Community Services).	Major issue is having training and experienced officers to delivery the program. Issues of access to remote communities in terms of climate and cultural matters.	C	Secondary	Program has been reviewed by the Australian Institute of Criminology which has commended the structure and management of the project.

<p>Department of Justice - Community and Justice Policy (Remote Community Education and Alcohol Management Planning (RCEAMP) Project)</p>	<p>To inform Indigenous communities on alcohol misuse and alcohol related harm, justice and community safety, pornography and gambling issues in order that communities can develop and manage local community safety and / or alcohol management plans) to address these issues.</p>	<p>Project has recently commenced and is target at the 20 Territory Growth Towns and the adults and children living in those communities.</p>	<p>Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (funding body).</p>	<p>The project has been funded for the next 18 months.</p>	<p>Working with the people of the 20 communities to develop education and awareness tools and programs, educating about alcohol and harm minimisation, gambling, pornography, community safety, the law and justice system and their impacts on individual and communities</p>	<p>The project identifies up to 10 townships that will be given priority over the next 18 months to develop Alcohol Management Plans. Towns are prioritised on a readiness basis and so far include: Maningrida (North/Western Arnhem Land), Borroloola (Gulf of Carpentaria), Gunbalanga (West Arnhem land), Nguiu (Tiwi islands), Elliot (Barkly region), and Groote Eylandt (off the eastern coast of Arnhem land)</p>	<p>To create and maintain a strong partnership relationship between government and Indigenous communities in addressing alcohol misuse and alcohol related harm, as well as community safety, pornography and gambling issues. To work with communities to develop education and awareness tools and programs, educating about alcohol and harm minimisation, gambling, pornography, community safety, the law and justice system and their impacts on individual and communities. To create an environment which will enable Indigenous communities to take a leadership role in</p>	<p>Program staffing in place to deliver the project.</p>	<p>A</p>	<p>Secondary</p>	<p>Project has recently commenced and detailed planning and coordination of activities is being determined.</p>
<p>Department of Justice (Community and Justice Policy) Public Safety Model</p>	<p>Under the Public Safety Model (PSM) Regional Interagency Tasking and Coordination Groups (ITCG) operate in Darwin/Palmerston, Katherine, Alice Springs, Nhulunbuy and Tennant Creek. The Groups coordinate the resources of Local, Territory and Australian Government and Non Government Organisations to target alcohol, anti social behaviour, homelessness and child protection.</p>	<p>ITCG member agencies coordinate their resources and activities to target hot spot or other public safety issues in their region which may include children.</p>	<p>ITCGs are lead by NT Police and supported by the Department of Justice. The groups are made up of Local, Territory and Australian Government and Non Government Organisation representatives that are working in the area of public safety.</p>	<p>The Department of Justice is funded to employ five Regional Project and Coordination Officers in each of the urban centres as well as policy officer, two Program managers and a Coordinator.</p>	<p>Fortnightly meetings using targeted problem solving plans and interagency service delivery models that delivers multi-agency exercises at regional hot spots.</p>	<p>Within each of the urban centres.</p>	<p>Targeted coordination of member resources on public safety hot spots. Sharing of hot spot information. Identification of larger public safety problems or service blockages for escalation to a central NTG Deputy Chief Executive Officer group, the Community Safety Working Group.</p>	<p>ITCG member capacity and willingness to commit resources to problem solving plans.</p>	<p>C</p>	<p>Secondary?</p>	<p>Active involvement and commitment by all members.</p>