

Mantjiljarra Yulparirra Wiluna Martu Rangers

Annual Report 2021-2022 FY



Mantjiljarra Yulparirra



“Marntangalku Ngurra”

Proposed Training and Education Centre at Matuwa





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OUR VISION

Mantjiljarra Yulparirra is a Martu Ranger Company established in 2019 to work with Tarlka Matuwa Piarku AC Martu to build strong, sustainable and involved Rangers that work across the Wiluna Native Title area, and at the Matuwa Kurrara Kurrara (MKK) IPA.

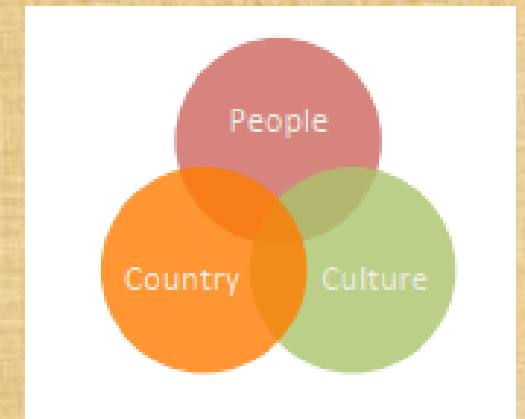
Our vision for MKK is to make sure it remains a place where Martu law and culture is practiced and that country is made healthier. Matuwa and Kurrara Kurrara will be managed through progressive partnerships between the Wiluna native title holders, the Government and the broader community.

Healthy partnerships will help balance Martu and Western knowledge of land management, create economically and environmentally sustainable employment, and contribute to the health and wellbeing of future Martu generations.

Looking after People, Country and Culture helps to keep Martu identity strong and retain knowledge between generations.

Mantjiljarra Yulparirra aims to:

- 1. Support its Rangers to work on Country and get jobs*
- 2. Train up and develop the skill set for its Rangers*
- 3. Build a viable economy for its Rangers that maintains cultural knowledge*
- 4. Develop Ranger pathways for younger generations*
- 5. All programs have the oversight and discussion with our IPA Team and Board of Mantjiljarra Yulparirra Directors.*



Principles

- Ngaparrtji Ngaparrtji (two way) learning
- Family connections
- Healthy Country
- Partnerships



Key Foundations

These represent the four pillars that activities at Matuwa and Kurrura Kurrara IPA are based upon

1. On Country Land Activities
2. Two-way Science
3. Ranger Development
4. Youth Rangers



Wiluna Martu Rangers Code of Conduct

1. Respect all Rangers (elders, young people) – no rough talk.
2. Help young people learn skills and knowledge.
3. No work no pay.
4. Arrive on time.
5. No drugs or alcohol on Country.
6. Wear safety shoes and clothes.
7. Drink lots of water.
8. Help with cooking and cleaning around homestead
9. Keep Country clean – no rubbish.
10. Clean vehicles and equipment after each trip.
11. Put away equipment after each trip.
12. Turn up to your training.
13. Be proud of being a Ranger



Governance Structure



Mantjiljarra Yulparirra Directors



Joyce Tullock



Delvene Patch



Annette Williams



Tianie Farmer



Robbie Wongawol

Message from the Directors and IPA Team

- The Wiluna Ranger Program continues to provide employment and activities on Country and in our Wiluna community.
- We had 2 team meetings in the 2021-22 FY, both in Wiluna. We discussed the field projects, and the jobs that Rangers do.
- We value the importance of training and mentoring our people as Rangers. We agreed to having more of a full time Ranger team with a Martu Coordinator and Martu Rangers (men and ladies). These Rangers can work with our casual Rangers who our Contact people choose, and also start to mentor Youth Rangers we expect to support. We also want to work with the Indigenous Desert Alliance to help our teams develop their projects.
- Teaching the youth and the young kids at the school is important to us all. This is our ngaparttji ngaparttji (two-way) way of learning.



Message from the Environment Manager



This year was our second FY working as a self-governed Company *Mantijjarra Yulparirra* representing the Wiluna Martu Rangers.

Our season ended in 2021 with a look back on our Programs (many and varied). Directors agreed to trial our first full-time Rangers as a team of men and ladies, overseen by a Martu Coordinator. So far this has worked well, as we work as teams and also with Casual Rangers on-Country.

We have also partnered with the IDA Ranger Development Program to help one of our lady Rangers to self-develop and self-coordinate a project they chose, and will work towards completing.

Science remains an important part of the work on Country and ngaparrtji ngaparrtji (two-way) learning with scientists from the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions. The translocation of boodies and golden bandicoots from Matuwa to the NT and NSW has been a valuable experience for our Rangers especially those that flew in small planes to help bring the animals safely from Matuwa to other indigenous Country.

Martu learning about Country continues at The Wiluna Remote Community School with two-way science now an important part of the school curriculum.

The role the Directors and IPA Team play is one of team planning and open communication. All see the wider community benefits of the Country projects to Rangers and the jobs that are provided for TMPAC members.

Our budget remains healthy and our records are independently audited annually.

Training and education for a diversity of people and cultures becomes an asset for future development and growth, and one which Wiluna Martu Rangers are well-placed to support. This will be strengthened with our stronger partnership with DBCA and other partners into the future.

Finally, our Company was successful in receiving a large grant from the Western Australian ARP Round 4 Ranger funding to commence more Ranger jobs on the Ululla pastoral lease. This area represents an important site for malleefowl, but also has strong cultural connections to the Martu in Wiluna.

This annual report reflects the 2021-22 FY and is available on our website (tmpac.com.au/annual-reports)

Our Fixed
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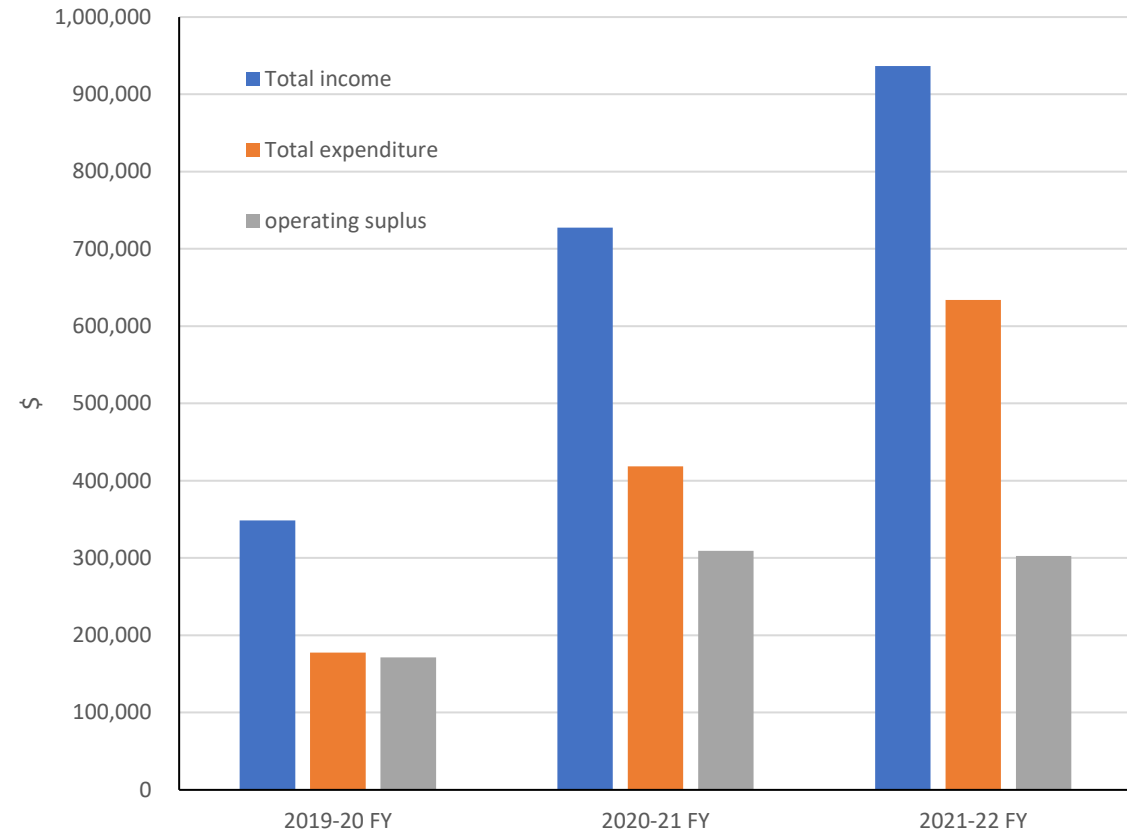
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Ranger program statistics

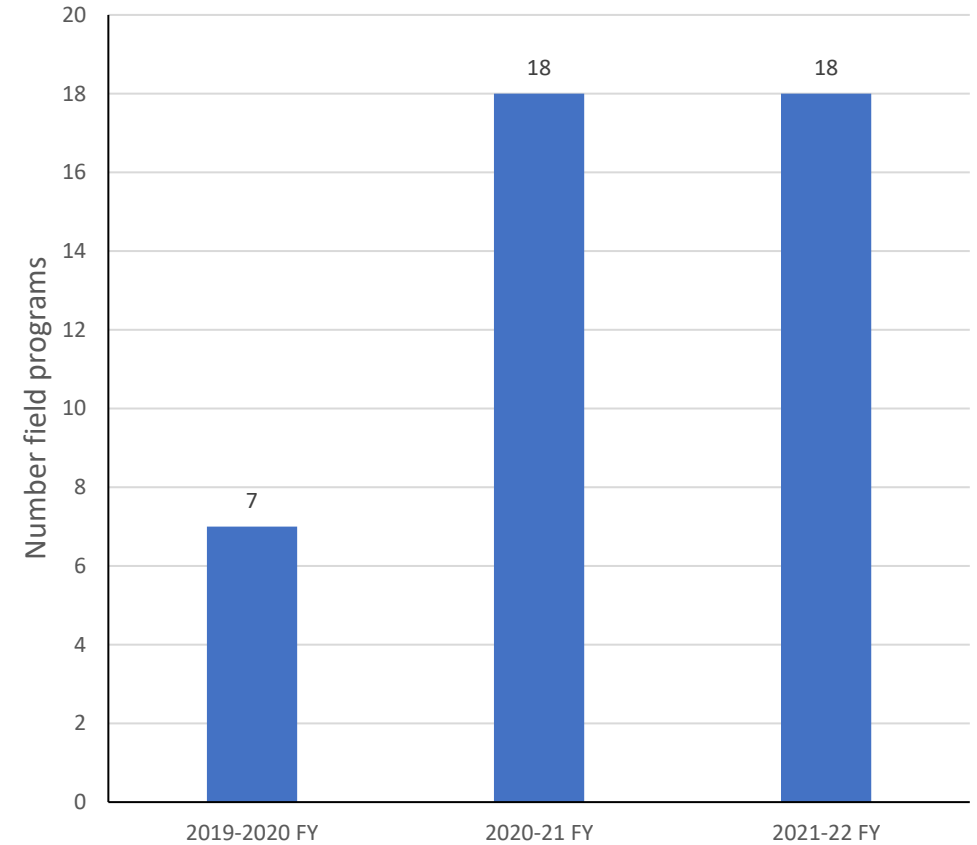
Income & Expenses

- *Mantjiljarra Yulparirra had increased its income in the 2021-22 FY compared to the previous FY.*
 - *Income included approximately \$208,000 underspend from the 2020-21 FY.*
- *Expenses were almost 34 % higher in 2021-22 FY than the previous FY*
 - *A wider diversity of Ranger programs and workshops funded.*
- *Surplus funding in the 2021-22 FY was related to Covid-19 shut-downs (limited field work), and shut-downs or reduced field time related to high rainfall events in the area, precluding driving to site.*



No. Wiluna Ranger field programs completed

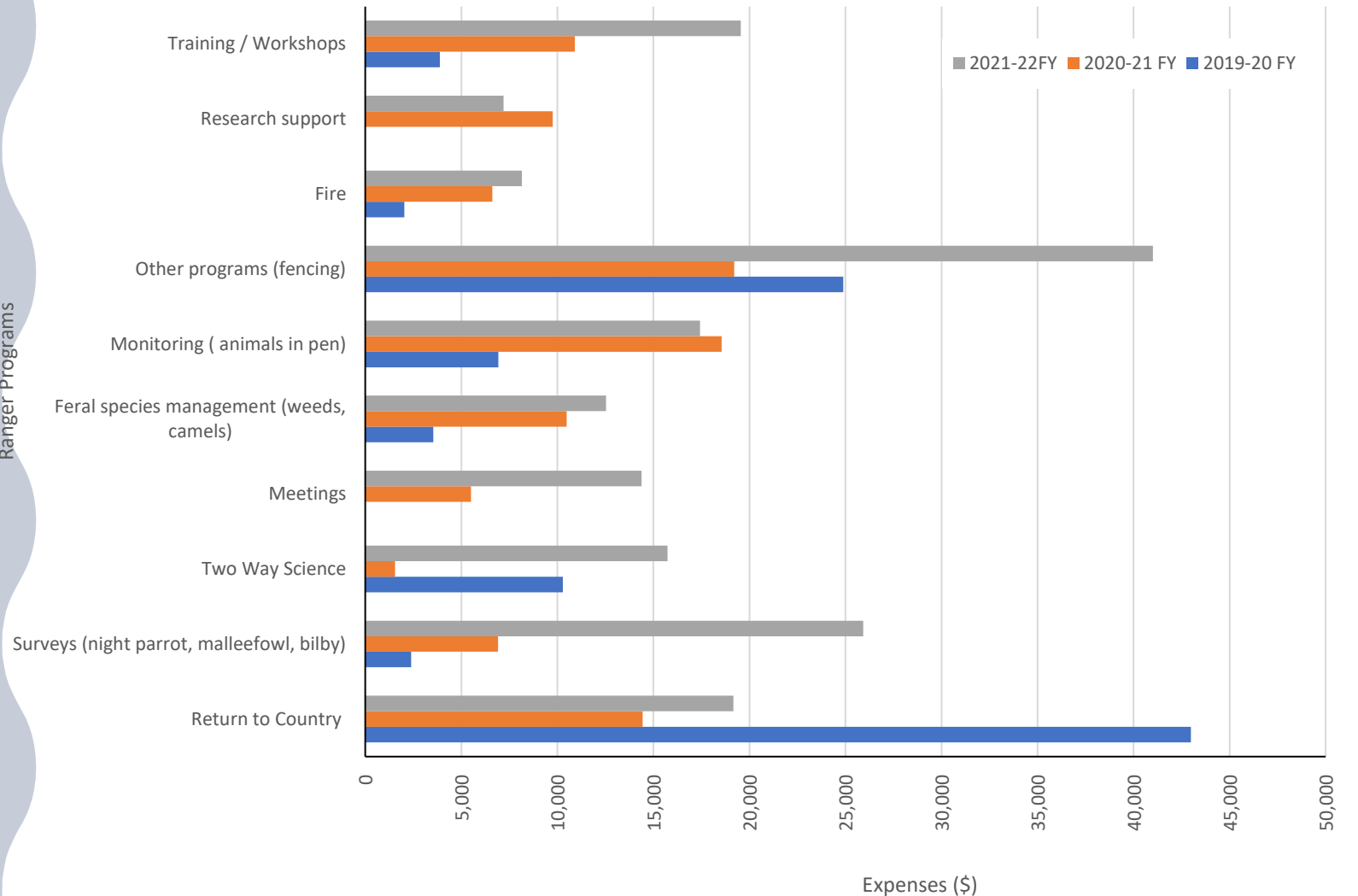
- *Mantjiljarra Yulparirra supported 18 Ranger Program activities this FY. Additional work programs were not possible due to Covid 19 field shut downs in March 2022, and rainfall shutdowns in May 2022.*



Ranger Program Expenditure

Programs included training/workshop attendance, science support roles including monitoring threatened species, weed control, land management (fencing), meetings, two-way science at the school, and return to Country trips.

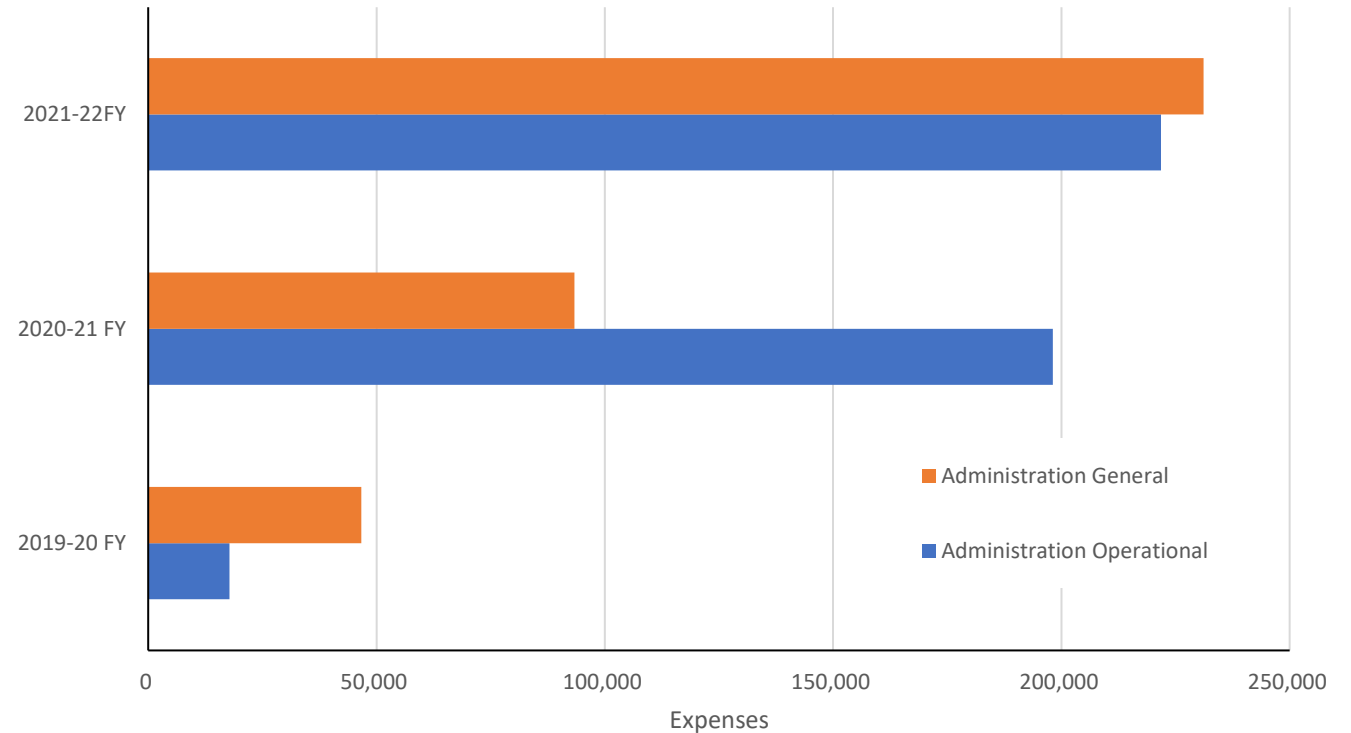
Ranger Programs



Administration

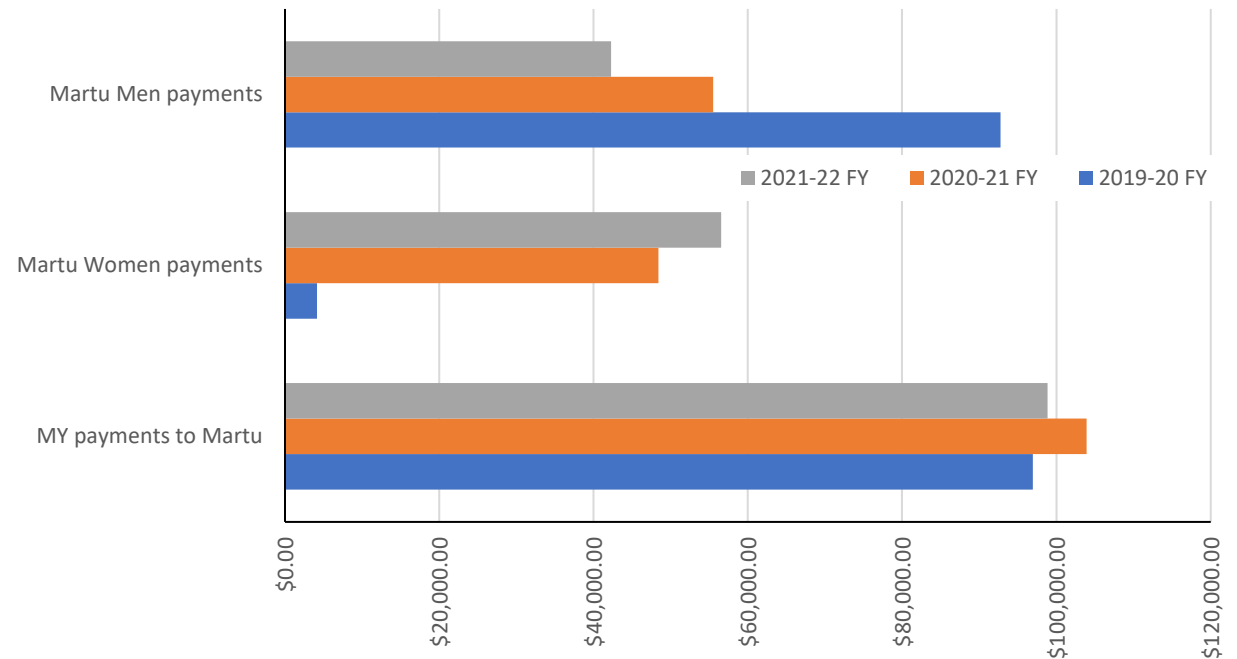
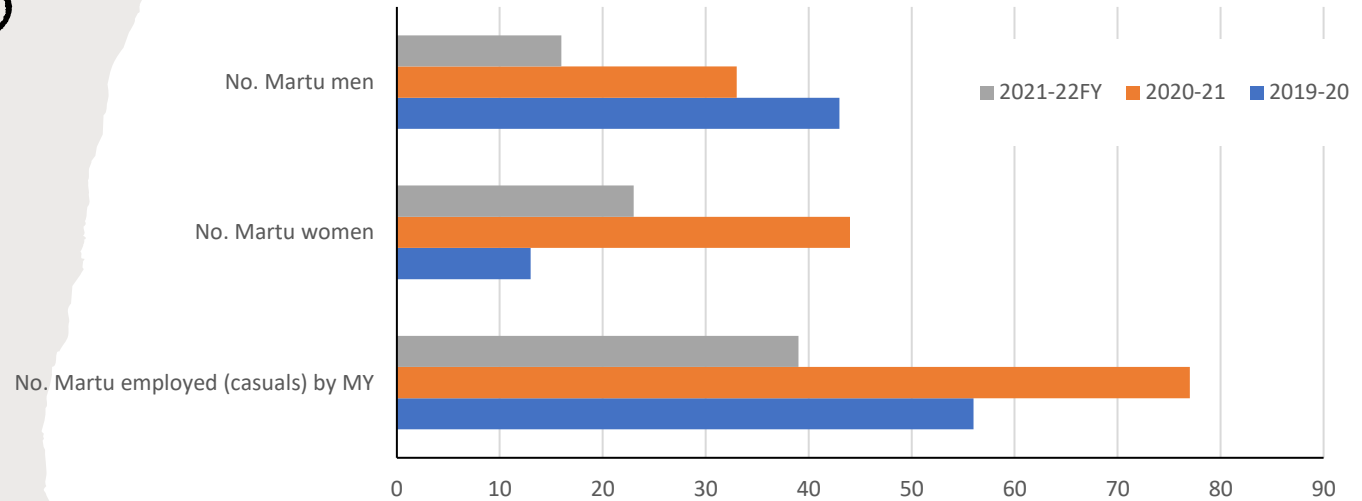
Distribution of funds expended for the administration of the Ranger Programs, and management of Company Mantjiljarra Yulparirra .

- Administration general fees included travel, food, general administration across the various Programs, and increased workshops.
- Administration operational fees included a full-time Environment Manager and Martu Coordinator to support the Ranger Programs, plus TMPAC-managed book-keeping and accounts.



MY payments to Martu 2021-22 FY

- 39 Martu (casual) Rangers
 - Less than previous FY as many Rangers have taken on more of a full-time role, so have more regular trips than casual Rangers.
- \$99,000 paid in Martu wages
- 59 % Martu women employed
- MY remains in a healthy financial position



Partners, Funders, Supporters

We would like to thank our corporate, government, academic and NGO partners who share Mantjiljarra Yulparirra's vision of working together with practicality, honesty and respect, and who have contributed to creating a healthy and prosperous future for the Tarlka Matuwa Piarku Martu of Wiluna:

- *Dept Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions*
- *Wiluna Remote Community School*
- *Rangelands NRM*
- *University of Sydney*
- *Indigenous Desert Alliance*
- *K Farmer Dutjhan Foundation*
- *Goldfields Nullarbor Rangelands Biosecurity Association*
- *National Indigenous Australians Agency*





Keep Martu
culture and
heritage strong

Site cleanups





Matuwa Kurrara Kurrara
Indigenous Protected Area

Ngapartji Ngapartji
(Two-way) Science Plan
2018-2023



Two-way Science



Weed Control



General maintenance on Country





Right way burning



More right way
waru



Fire, Fauna and Feral Cat Research

Supported by the University of Sydney



Caring for small
animals



Mammal translocations

Supported by Wild Deserts and DBCA



Caring for small
animals

Looking for Tjakura



Caring for small animals



Ladies trip



Important
Martu places



Keep Martu
culture and
heritage strong

Ranger Development Program

Planning to host Warburton Rangers

Supported by the Indigenous Desert Alliance



Keep Martu
strong on *ngurra*



Plan for
development



Ranger Training



Youth Ranger Program

*Supported by
K Farmer Dutjahn Foundation*





Workshops and meetings



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