

WHAT'S NEW?

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Welcome to the March 2025 HPA newsletter for our customers and stakeholders!

Darwin's wet season started off as a bit of a fizzer, but it has certainly made up for it in the last week and a half.

HPA Innovation team have certainly been very busy with new products which we will launch over the coming months.

Recently I was on a day trip out to the beautiful Litchfield Park with the hope to have a swim at Buley Rock Hole, unfortunately I didn't get a swim, what I did find was outdoor furniture made by our very own Kokoda Industries.

HPA has a long working relationship with Local and Territory Governments, you will find our outdoor furniture across the Territory. If you find our furniture, please share your picture on our Facebook page HPA Helping People Achieve and let everyone know the location! It won't be long until we are all out enjoying the Dry!

HPA proudly continues to support the Northern Territory by providing employment opportunities for people with disability and buying from HPA supports local with inclusive local employment.

Stephanie Ransome
CEO (Acting) | General Manager Operations



RECYCLING & SUSTAINABILITY

Recycle your bottles and cans with a HPA wheelie bin!

On March 18th, we joined in the celebration of Global Recycling Day!

HPA is very happy to acknowledge our partnership with Power & Water. We recycle their Cash-for-Containers at several sites, providing an environmental service as well as as much-needed funds!



Give us a call if you would like to support HPA and the environment by recycling your bottles and cans in a HPA wheelie bin.

➤ (08) 8947 0681, ask for Sue!

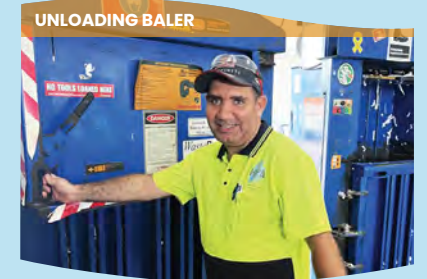
CONFIDENTIAL PAPER SHREDDING



Let's work together to minimise waste and make the most of valuable resources



SERVICING RESIDENTIAL & CORPORATE CUSTOMERS



Plastic bins	Plastic collection	\$90.00
General public - 240 L bin	Paper collection	\$65.00
General public - 120 L bin	Paper collection	\$40.00
Archive box handling fee	Paper	\$1.00 per box
Archive box	Paper	\$10.00 per box
Bin rental		\$22 per month
Bin delivery fee	Less than 10km	\$5.00
	10km - 25 km	\$10.00
	26km - 50km	\$20.00
	More than 50km	Quote

Contact us to arrange delivery of confidential bins for regular collections.*

(08) 8932 5184

*Please note that our drivers do not move bins up or down stairs. If your house or office does not have access to a lift or ramp, the secure bins will be delivered and collected at ground floor level.

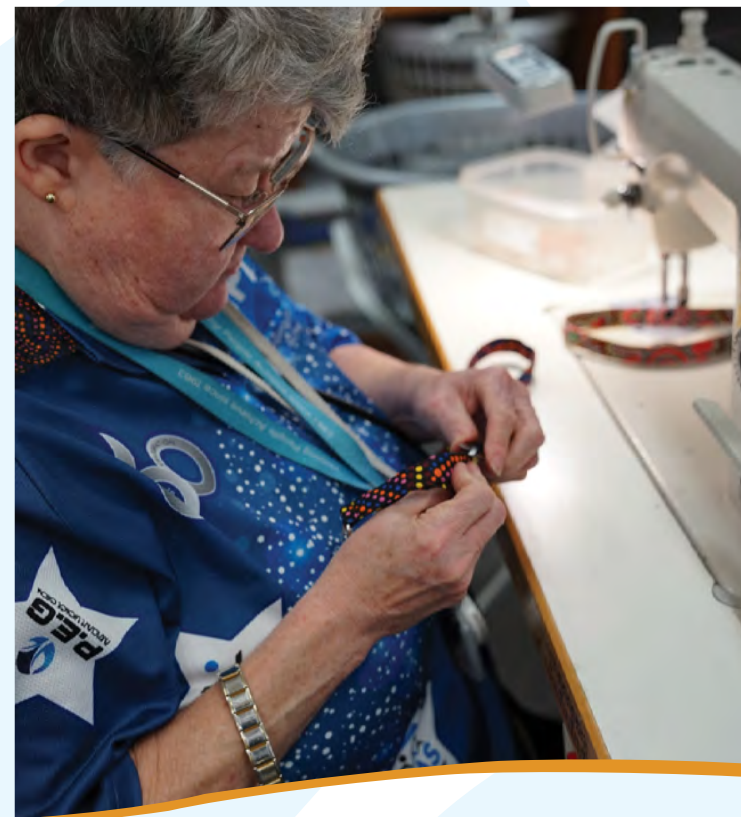
HPA has been providing opportunities for Territorians living with a disability since 1963

AUSDESIGNS

Lanyard creation: More amazing teamwork at Ausdesigns

We are excited to announce our latest range of lanyards made from our beautiful Aboriginal fabrics.

Our sewing team has dedicated days concentrating skills to carefully select, cut, and stitch these unique pieces.



Perfect for events and conferences, these lanyards not only serve a functional purpose but also celebrate cultural heritage. We would love to help you stand out at your next event!

Interested in adding these to your collection?

Contact us at ausdesigns@hpa.net.au or call (08) 8932 5184



KAITLYN

SUPPORTED EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

"I am learning a lot of new skills such as patchwork, making lanyards, and other cool projects. I enjoy learning different things and participating in new activities".

Kaitlyn - A Rising Star in the Sewing Room

We are excited to introduce Kaitlyn, who recently joined us after completing her highschool studies. Kaitlyn's journey with HPA began through her work experience here. She is now part of the team as a Supported Employee.

Kaitlyn was motivated to work with us after hearing about HPA at school and from her mother's friends. *"I found it fun and interesting,"* she recalls. Her favourite aspect of working at HPA is the sewing room, where she has honed her skills taught by her grandmother. Kaitlyn appreciates the warm and friendly atmosphere, which allows her to connect with old school friends and forge new friendships.

Since starting a few weeks ago, Kaitlyn has taken on some fun projects. She is now assisting with conference bags and learning essential skills like patchwork and lanyard making. *"I always try my best while I'm here,"* she says, showing her hard work and precision in everything she does.

Kaitlyn encourages others who enjoy sewing to consider joining the team. She talks about how important it is to work together and ask for help when needed, highlighting *"Rosy is a very good teacher"*. With the support of Marie, her mentor, Kaitlyn is thriving and growing more autonomous in her work.

We are proud to have Kaitlyn on our team and look forward to seeing her continued development and contributions in the sewing room!

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Ausdesigns is an industrial textile business that specialises in design and manufacture of promotional products.

Promote your brand with unique Sublimation Shirts!



The HPA team brings your unique ideas to life

Our talented graphic designers, based in Yarrawonga, are dedicated to crafting eye-catching designs to represent your vision.



High-quality products

Sublimation printing produces vibrant, full-color designs that are stunning and long-lasting.



Exceptional service

When you choose HPA, you are not only getting exceptional products; you are also supporting local businesses and experiencing friendly service. Your support means a lot to us and to the Territorians with disabilities whom we employ.

Get in touch with us today to turn your creative ideas into reality!

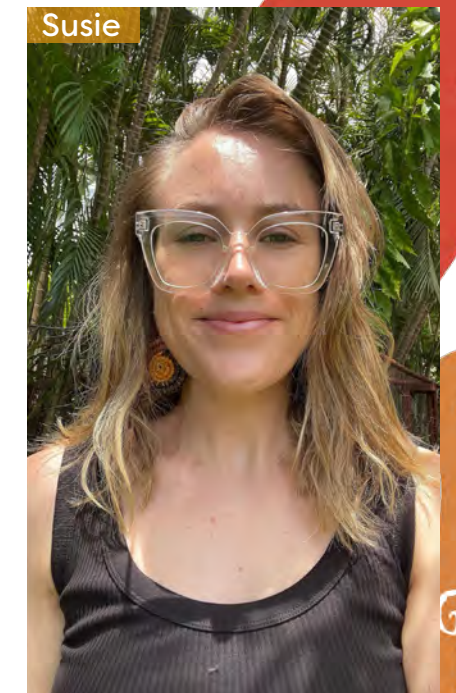
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CREATIVE COMPETITION

And the winners are...

DEBBIE J. for the best fabric design and SUSIE A. for the best slogan. Congratulations!

We want to say a big thank you to everyone who joined our Creative Competition last month. We were really inspired by the amazing talent and creativity in each entry. We will be sharing more details soon!



"Hi everybody and HPA, Thank you for telling me today that I was one of the winners! I screamed so loudly that my husband thought that we'd been broken into. I am so thankful for being the first prize winner for the fabric design, and I am really honoured to have been able to do that for HPA. I have enjoyed researching what HPA is all about, and you guys are amazing in everything you do. You guys are awesome; you are also talented there; the workers are just beautiful and have big smiles; everyone has such a big, generous heart. I am so happy to have produced something that you guys like and really, really proud to be part of your journey. Thank you very much".
Debbie J.

"Thank you so much to HPA for this opportunity and to everyone who supported my slogan- it's an honour to contribute to an organisation doing such great work"! Susie A.

KOKODA INDUSTRIES

Kokoda Industries is a Darwin manufacturer of quality timber and metal products - from survey pegs to pallets, sprinkler stands to parkland furniture.

Kokoda Team Update: Exciting Deliveries!

The Kokoda team has been busy manufacturing a variety of benches and tables recently. We proudly delivered four sets of **Parkland Furniture to SWELL Palmerston**, and benches are now adding beauty to the Myilly Point Heritage Precinct in Larrakeyah.

In addition, we've assembled equipment for **Trailers 2000** and delivered six durable tables to **NT Correctional facilities**.

Thank you for your continued trust in HPA. We look forward to working with you again soon!



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Buying from the BuyAbility network is a socially responsible choice. You will not only gain specialist, cost effective and reliable products and services but you will also be giving purpose to those living with a disability.

DAS Accommodation and Support

We are excited to share some news about the DAS TEAM!

Sebastiana has been promoted to Manager, and we have two new team members on board to help out with the program.

We are confident that you will make a significant impact on the program.



Sebastiana (Anna) Barros
DAS Accommodation and Service manager

“With over 18 years of experience in the disability industry, I have dedicated my career to creating positive and supportive environments for individuals with diverse needs. My easy-going personality allows me to connect with people, but I approach my work with utmost seriousness and commitment to making a difference in their lives.

This year, I have embraced the role of Accommodations and Services Manager, where I can further utilize my passion for team-building and collaborative leadership. I believe that a can-do attitude is essential in fostering a strong, cohesive team that works effectively to support our clients.

Outside of work, I find joy and balance in my passions for gardening, music, and reading. Gardening allows me to connect with nature and cultivate beauty, while music provides an escape and a way to express my emotions. Reading fuels my curiosity and continual growth, exposing me to new ideas and perspectives.

Guided by my motto, inspired by Mahatma Gandhi, “I suppose leadership at one time meant muscles; but today it means getting along with people,” I strive to lead with empathy, understanding, and respect, ensuring that every individual feels valued and empowered. I am excited to continue my journey in this field and to contribute positively to the lives of those we serve”.



Rupen Maharjan
Supervisor of Community Access and Tenancy

“I am working as Community Participation and Tenancy Supervisor at HPA with a strong background in customer service. My experience in fostering community engagement and ensuring quality housing experiences has allowed me to build strong relationships, support tenants, and implement programs that enhance community well-being.

Previously, I worked in customer service, where I developed excellent communication, problem-solving, and client satisfaction skills. I am passionate about creating positive living environments and committed to achieving company goals by improving tenant experiences, promoting community participation, and driving operational efficiency”.



Sarala Maharjan
SIL Coordinator

“Hi! Originally from Nepal, I moved to Australia 8 years ago. My interest in teamwork and connecting with people brought me to HPA, and I believe that working here will be one of my best experiences.

In my previous role as a Referral and Intake Officer, I focused on ensuring that clients achieved their goals. I encouraged team growth and made it a priority to ensure participants felt heard. My motivation to support and include others has driven my career in this industry, and I truly love what I do and who I work with.

In my free time, I enjoy watching sunsets, exercising, traveling, cooking, and spending time with family. I also love to be creative whenever possible and strive to spread kindness whenever I can. If I had to describe myself in three words, they would be honest, kind, and helpful”.

If you are interested in making HPA your Coordination of Support, please don't hesitate to contact us

(08) 8947 0681 - cos@hpa.net.au

CONTACT THE TEAM!

Are you considering a fun work shirt or conference item design, or are you interested in one of our products?

Any questions about the ordering process?

Reach out to us at any time. Our team is always happy to assist you!

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