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1 About Yuendumu

The first settlement at Yuendumu was established in 1946 by the Australian Government to deliver rations and welfare services. In 1947 a Baptist mission began in Yuendumu and Yuendumu Aboriginal Reserve was claimed in 1952. By 1955, many Warlpiri people had settled in the town. The reserve became Aboriginal freehold land under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act (Northern Territory) 1976 and the land and area became the Yuendumu Aboriginal Land Trust area. Yuendumu is on the border of Anmatyerre and Warlpiri country. Traditional ownership currently rests with families who collectively form the Warlpiri Land Trust. Yuendumu is on the south eastern border of the extent of traditionally owned Warlpiri land. Anmatyerre land extends to the east, Pintubi/Luritja land to the south and Kukatja land to the west. The Yuendumu community council administered the area.

In 2008 the Yuendumu Community Council was absorbed into the Central Desert Council, which now provides local government to the region.

1.1 Population

In the 2016 Census, there were 759 people in Yuendumu (State Suburbs). Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people made up 85.5% of the population. The median age of people in Yuendumu (State Suburbs) was 28 years.

1.2 Power and Water

Electricity is supplied by a diesel generator. Chlorinated and fluoridated town water is supplied by bore, and waste water is treated in sewerage ponds on the outskirts of town.

1.3 ICT Information

- Full telephone and internet services.
- Broadband Satellite Internet Services – Telstra
- 3G Mobile Coverage
- Television is Digital

1.4 Access

1.4.1 Air

Yuendumu can be accessed by air through chartered air services.

1.4.2 Road

Yuendumu is located 300km northwest of Alice Springs via the Tanami Road. Seats can be purchased on the Bush Bus. The Bush Bus travels out to the community on Tuesday and Thursdays – a seat can be purchased to travel into and out of the community to Alice Springs.
1.5 Local Government

The Central Desert Regional Council oversees the administration of local governance and delivers community services including corporate and community management, road and building maintenance and waste management.

1.6 Land Tenure

Yuendumu is located within the Yuendumu Aboriginal Land Trust and is Aboriginal Land under the NT Land Rights Act (NT) 1976.

2 Acronyms

ATM - Automatic Teller Machine
CDRC - Central Desert Regional Council
CLC - Central Land Council
ICT - Information and Communication Technology
LPO - Local Post Office
NT - Northern Territory
PMB - Private Mail Bag
CDP – Community Development Program
WYDAC - Warlpiri Youth Development Aboriginal Corporation
WMA - Warlpiri Media Association
YOPP - Yuendumu Old Peoples Program

3 Accommodation

3.1 Council Guesthouse and Contractors Accommodation

The Central Desert Regional Council has a Guesthouse which offers 8 standard room accommodation with shared bathroom facilities and Contractors Accommodation which offers 8 unsuited rooms and 6 with shared bathroom facilities.

Address: 348 Warlpiri Avenue, Yuendumu, NT
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu Community, via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 08 89937906
Email: craig.jones@centraldesert.nt.gov.au
Website: www.centraldesert.nt.gov.au
Key Contact: Administration Team Leader – Craig Jones

4 Arts and culture

4.1 Warlukurlangu Aboriginal Artists Association

The Association offers art sales, an art centre service and community programs. Warlukurlangu Artists is one of the longest running and most successful Aboriginal-owned art centers in Central Australia. Open weekdays from 9am to 4pm, or by appointment on weekends.
5 Banking

5.1 ATM

ATMs are available inside Yuendumu Social Club Store and the Nguru Walalja Store.

Limited financial services are also available at the Post Office and Regional Council offices.

6 Community services

6.1 Central Desert Regional Council

The Council is responsible for the coordination and delivery of a variety of services, including animal welfare, maintenance and upgrade of parks, reserves and open spaces, maintenance and upgrade of buildings, facilities and fixed assets, upgrading, construction and maintenance of local roads.

Address: 323 Warlpiri Avenue, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu Community via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 08 89937902 or 0439330183
Email: allan.hawke@centraldesert.nt.gov.au
Website: www.centraldesert.nt.gov.au/
Key Contact: Council Services Manager – Allan Hawke

6.2 Central Land Council (CLC)

The Central Land Council is a representative body promoting Aboriginal rights. It is a statutory authority under the Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976. It also has functions under the Native Title Act 1993 and the Pastoral Land Act 1992.

Address: Warlpiri Avenue, Yuendumu, NT
Postal Address: PMB 107, Yuendumu Community via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 08 89516211
Email: enquiries@clc.org.au
Website: www.clc.org.au
Key Contact: Regional Services Coordinator – vacant
6.3 Department of Human Services

Remote Service Centre staff are on site to provide a face-to-face service to the community, information products and forms, access to a telephone, internet-enabled computer and printer for government business and Medicare claiming facilities.

Address: Corner Conniston and Park Street, Yuendumu NT 0872
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu Community via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: Indigenous Call Centre 1800136380
Email: brook.holloway@humanservices.gov.au
Website: www.humanservices.gov.au
Key Contact: Service Centre Manager, 08 89579711

6.4 Kurdu-kurdu kurlangu Yuendumu Childcare Centre and Playgroup

The Yuendumu child care centre and playgroup operates Monday to Friday under the Central Desert Regional Council.

Address: Lot 682, Yuendumu NT 0872
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu Community via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 0427245135
Email: childcare.yuendumu@centraldesert.nt.gov.au
Website: www.centraldesert.nt.gov.au
Key Contact: Child Care Director/Mentor – Denise Curtis

6.5 Police Fire and Emergency Services

The Yuendumu Police Fire and Emergency Services undertake law enforcement, counter disaster control, motor vehicle accidents and traffic related matters. Motor vehicle registration, licencing and inspections, and firearms permit services conducted on Wednesdays.

Address: Lot 488 Yuendumu Road, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: Yuendumu Police Station, C/- Post Office Yuendumu NT 0872
Phone: Administrative: 08 8956 4004
Urgent and Non-urgent Police Attendance: 131 444
Emergency Police Attendance: 000
Email: Julie.frost@pfes.nt.gov.au
Website: www.pfes.nt.gov.au
Key Contact: Officer in Charge – Julie Frost

6.6 Power and Water Authority

Power and Water contracts Yapa – Kurlangu Ngurrara Aboriginal Corporation (YKNAC) to employ and train local Essential Services Operators to run these services day-to-day.

Enquiries: 1800 245 092 or 08 89564250 (YKNAC)
Emergencies: 0427801279
Email Power: remotedarwinassets@powerwater.com.au or eso1@yknac.com
Website: www.powerwater.com.au
6.7 Warlpiri Youth Development Aboriginal Corporation (WYDAC)

WYDAC runs the Mt Theo program. The program was started by the Yuendumu community in 1993 and has since broadened in nature and scope to provide a comprehensive program of youth development and leadership, diversion, respite, rehabilitation, and aftercare.

Address: Lot 368 West Road, Yuendumu NT
Postal Address: CMB Yuendumu, Via Alice Springs, NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4188
Email: admin@wydac.org.au
Website: www.wydac.org.au
Key Contact: CEO – Matt Davidson

6.8 Yuendumu Aged Care

The Mampu Maninja-kurlangu Jarlu Patu-ku Aboriginal Corporation runs the Yuendumu Old Peoples Program (YOPP). This program provides comprehensive community-based aged care services and support for elderly Warlpiri people living in the community.

Address: Lot 343 Warlpiri Avenue, Yuendumu NT 0872
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu Community via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4145 or 8952 8616 (Alice Springs)
Email: care@yopp.org.au
Key Contact: Care and Services Manager – Julie Harvey

6.9 Yuendumu Mediation and Justice Centre

The program staff support Yuendumu leaders and elders by attending community events, cultural activities and mediation sessions. They also assist in the organisation of community meetings and events. In addition, the program provides support for family members in correctional facilities.

Address: 654 Park Street, Yuendumu NT 0872
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu Community via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4245 or 0447056402
Email: Charmaine.hayes-jonkers@centraldesert.nt.gov.au
Key Contact: Mediation and Justice Coordinator – Charmaine Hayes - Jonkers

6.10 Yuendumu Women’s Centre Aboriginal Corporation

Yuendumu Women’s Centre (YWCAC) is a meeting place, a resource centre and provider of advocacy services for the women of Yuendumu and their families. They support/offer cultural programs aimed at encouraging young people to learn traditional ways.

Family and Domestic Violence is a critical issue. The Board of Directors, members and Manager maintain involvement in community activities and the networks around Family and Domestic Violence.

YWCAC operate a Laundromat and Op Shop. YWCAC also own the local Nguru Walalja Outback Store.
7 Construction and trade

7.1 Yapa-Kurlangu Ngurrara Aboriginal Corporation

YKNAC provides maintenance and development of outstations within the Tanami Region as its prime directive, as well as construction and maintenance within Yuendumu and nearby communities.

Address: Lot 330, Conniston Road, Yuendumu
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu
Phone: 08 89564250
Mobile: 0488 036 846
Email: Malcolm.wall@yknac.com
Key Contact: CEO- Malcolm Wall

8 Education and training

8.1 Pina Pina Jarrinjaku - WYDAC Learning Centre

WYDAC runs the Adult Learning Centre.

Address: Lot 367 Conniston Road, Yuendumu NT 0872
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu Community via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 0417628393
Email: learningcentre@wydac.org.au
Website: www.wydac.org.au
Key Contact: Melinda Balkan

8.2 Yuendumu School

Yuendumu School offers preschool to senior years’ classes. The school focuses on the priorities of attendance, student achievement in numeracy, literacy and pathways to employment; as well as community engagement and participation.

Address: Lot 367 Conniston Road, Yuendumu NT 0872
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu Community via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4011
Email: Lachlan.carlyle@ntschools.net
Website: www.yuendumuschool.nt.edu.au
Key Contact: Principal – Lachlan Carlyle
9 Food and dining

9.1 Nguru Walaltja Store

Nguru Walaltja Store provides an evening takeaway with hot meals, cold drinks, fresh coffee, groceries and fuel. ATM and EFTPOS are available. Take away is open until 8pm Tuesday to Saturday.

Address: Lot 389 Conniston Road, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: Caltex, Conniston Road, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4006 or 0437 187 583
Email: office@maiwiru.org.au
Key Contact: Manager – Shelley Mead

10 Healthcare

10.1 Yuendumu Regional Health Clinic

The Health Centre is a large modern, well equipped Health Centre with separate men’s and women’s areas. It is staffed by one doctor, six remote area nurses, a child health nurse, a midwife, an Aboriginal Health Practitioner and two Aboriginal Community Workers.

Address: 612 Park Street, Yuendumu NT
Postal Address: PO Box 721, Alice Springs NT 0870
Phone: 08 8956 4030
Email: yuendumu.clinicmgr@nt.gov.au
Key Contact: Clinic Manager – Luana Symonds

10.2 Tanami Regional Dialysis Unit

The dialysis unit allows community members to receive nurse-assisted dialysis in Yuendumu as a respite from treatment in Alice Springs.

Address: 648 Park Street, Yuendumu NT
Postal Address: PO Box 5060 Alice Springs NT0871
Phone: 08 8956 4244 or 08 8953 6444
Email: enquiries@wdnwpt.com.au & Yuendumu@wdnwpt.com.au
Website: www.westerndesertdialysis.com
Key Contact: Site Coordinator – vacant

11 Labour hire

11.1 Central Desert Regional Council - CDP

Central Desert Shire is the Remote Jobs and Communities Program (CDP) provider in Yuendumu. CDP provides jobs, participation and community-development service in remote regions across Australia. The programme supports people to build their skills and get a job or to participate to their capacity in activities that contribute to the strength and sustainability of communities.
12 Other businesses

12.1 PAW Media and Communications
PAW Media and Communications provides Aboriginal video, animation, radio and music production services in 14 Central Australian communities.

Address: Lot 421 Conniston Road, Yuendumu NT 0872
Postal Address: Yuendumu LPO via Alice Springs, NT 0872
Phone: 08 89937500
Email: jeff@pawmedia.com.au
Website: www.pawmedia.com.au
Key Contact: General Manager - Jeff Bruer

13 Retail - fuel

13.1 Yuendumu Mining
Retail store, offering food, groceries, opal and diesel fuel, Avgas and Jet A1.

Address: Park street, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: Yuendumu Via Alice Springs, NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4040
Email: yuendumuminingco@bigpond.com
Key Contact: Manager - Frank Baarda

13.2 Yuendumu Social Club (Big Shop)
Yuendumu social club provides hot meals, cold drinks, fresh coffee, groceries and fuel. ATM and EFTPOS are available.

Address: Conniston Road, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: Private Bag 108 Yuendumu NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4006 or 0459765319
Email: office@maiwiru.org.au
Key Contact: Contact – Michall Jeanie Swinburne
14 Retail - shops

14.1 Nguru Walalja Store
Nguru Walalja Store is a General Store selling a great variety of food, fruit and vegetables, electronic goods, electrical ware, home ware, white ware and hardware. An ATM is available.

Address: Lot 712 Warlpiri Av, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: CMB Yuendumu, via Alice Springs NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4143
Email: nwj@outbackstores.com.au
Website: www.outbackstores.com.au
Key Contact: Store Managers – Naeem and Kimish Momin and Sohail and Needa Ali

14.2 Yuendumu Mining
Retail store offering food, groceries and fuel.

Address: Park Street, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: Yuendumu Via Alice Springs, NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4040
Email: yuendumuminingco@bigpond.com
Key Contact: Manager - Frank Baarda

14.3 Yuendumu Social Club (Big Shop)
Yuendumu Social Club provides hot meals, cold drinks, fresh coffee, groceries and fuel. An ATM and EFTPOS are available.

Address: Conniston Road, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: Private Bag 108 Yuendumu NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4006
Email: office@maiwiru.org.au
Key Contact: Contact – Shelley Mead

15 Tourism

15.1 Warlukurlangu Aboriginal Artists Association
The Association offers art sales, an art centre service and community programs. Warlukurlangu Artists is one of the longest running and most successful Aboriginal-owned art centers in Central Australia. Open weekdays from 9am to 4pm, or by appointment on weekends.

Address: Lot 336 Ral Ral Avenue, Yuendumu, NT
Postal Address: LPO Yuendumu via Alice Springs, NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4133
Email: info@warlu.com
Website: www.warlu.com
Key Contact: Manager - Cecilia Alfonso 0411220331
16 Transport and automotive

16.1 Yuendumu Mining
Retail store offering food, groceries and fuel.

Address: Tanami Highway, Yuendumu, NT 0872
Postal Address: Yuendumu Via Alice Springs, NT 0872
Phone: 08 8956 4040
Email: yuendumuminingco@bigpond.com
Key Contact: Manager - Frank Baarda

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