

Koort Karnadjil Mya First Nations Strategy **Highlights**

July 2025 to June 2026



Acknowledgement of Country

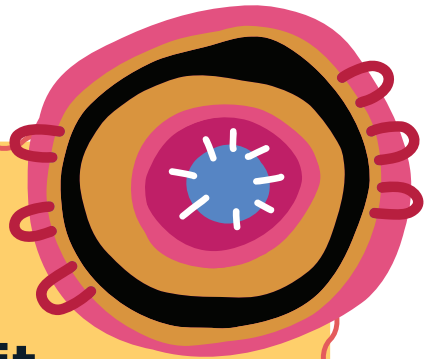
The City of Belmont acknowledges the Whadjuk Noongar people as the Traditional Owners of these lands and we pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We further acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs, connection and relationship with this land which continues today.

We acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples living within the City of Belmont.

Learn more about our Koort Karnadjil Mya - First Nations Strategy and the story behind it.

Scan the QR code to watch the launch videos and explore how the strategy was developed in partnership with the community, celebrating culture, connection to Country, and a shared vision for the future.

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We are proud to share key achievements from the First Nations Strategy from July 2025 to June 2026.

These highlights represent just some of the initiatives delivered during this period.

The ongoing guidance of the Aboriginal Advisory Group has been central to this work, ensuring that First Nations voices, knowledge, and lived experience continue to inform decision-making and shape meaningful outcomes.



3,000+ community participants engaged across programs and events



5+ public art installations completed



16+ partnerships established with Aboriginal community-controlled organisations (ACCOs) and community organisations



8 new Aboriginal suppliers registered with the City



7 schools engaged through cultural and education initiatives



17 Welcome to Country ceremonies conducted at civic and community events, reflecting a commitment to cultural protocols



35+ young people involved in youth-focused programs



5 *Stories That Unite Us* stories produced, celebrating Aboriginal culture, resilience, and leadership



7+ cultural workshops delivered



2 Aboriginal candidates in the City of Belmont during the 2025 Local Government elections

Delivered community and cultural initiatives

A diverse program of Aboriginal-led cultural activities has been delivered across the year, celebrating culture, strengthening identity, and creating inclusive community spaces.

These initiatives elevated First Nations knowledge, supported cultural expression, and ensured that community members had meaningful opportunities to engage in culturally safe events and experiences.

Through workshops, community gatherings, and collaborative programs, we continue to embed respect for First Nations cultures in everyday community life.

NAIDOC Week 2025 Launch of First Nations Strategy and panel discussion





**Reconciliation Week
cultural workshops**



**Harmony
Festival**

Featured local Aboriginal
Artist Kobi Morrison

**Community
Markets**



Midn Marr Dreaming



Moort Waabiny
Aboriginal Playgroup

Community connection

Strong partnerships and collaborative approaches enhanced community connection and social wellbeing.

Working alongside ACCOs, local groups, and service providers, we created culturally safe spaces for people to come together, share experiences, and build relationships.

These efforts supported ongoing engagement, strengthened trust, and contributed to a more connected and inclusive community.

Safe Communities - Community of Practice gathering by Mission Australia



Reconciliation Week Elders Lunch with Mission Australia



**Jacaranda Community Centre's
NAIDOC Family Day 2025**



**Moort Waabiny
Aboriginal
Playgroup's
10-year
celebration**



**Consumers of
Mental Health WA's
Reconciliation Week**

Yorgas Own Time

Run by Luma Aboriginal Women's Services



MOZIAC Yoka's Art and Yarning Group



City of Belmont Art Awards Business Sundowner

Artist Jarni McGuire delivered a keynote speech



Aboriginal art and culture

Aboriginal art and cultural expression were embedded across public spaces and community projects, increasing visibility and recognition of First Nations cultures.

Public art installations, storytelling initiatives, and cultural design elements reflected local identity and connection to place.

These outcomes not only enhanced the visual landscape but also ensured that cultural knowledge and stories are shared, respected, and celebrated within the broader community.



Guided by Noongar Artist Harley Richards, Belmont City College students helped design the Wright Street mural



Wright St Mural Project and Fence inlays





Little Street Library, Wicca Reserve

Artwork by Jasmin Fitzgerald
Constructed by Belmont Men's Shed



Wilson Park Zone 2 Heart + Playground opening

Featured local Aboriginal cultural performances



Little Street Library, Wilson Park

Artwork by Noongar Elder and artist Aunty TJ with assistance from Aunty Alta Winmar
Constructed by Belmont Men's Shed



Interpretive cultural signage

Installed at Wilson Park



Welcome to Country ceremonies

Delivered at a range of events



Leadership and recognition

First Nations leadership and contributions were recognised through civic events, partnerships, and community initiatives.

Opportunities were created to support Aboriginal voices in decision-making, highlight achievements, and strengthen pathways for participation across community life.

This work reinforced our commitment to cultural protocols, recognition, and ongoing leadership by First Nations people.

First Nations achievements recognised



People Who Make a Difference - Community Service Award recipient Brenda Greenfield



NAIDOC Community Award 2025 Recipient Hannah Collard

**Community Canvas *My Land Goorgyp*
by Noongar artist Danielle Nelson**



***My Land Goorgyp* by Noongar artist Danielle Nelson**

The artwork depicts the City of Belmont as a central gathering place, with key community locations like Tomato Lake and the surrounding natural landscape highlighting connection to land and environment. Symbols of footprints, meeting circles, and gatherings reflect journeys, shared knowledge, and cultural continuity across generations. Elders are honoured for their guidance, while elements of water and wildlife represent traditional practices and connection. Overall, the piece celebrates community, culture, and reconciliation, bringing people together while looking forward to the future.



| Next Steps

Continue to elevate
First Nations voices in
the City of Belmont.



Strengthen
partnerships with
ACCOs and health
providers.



Implement Welcome
to Country and
Acknowledgement
to Country cultural
protocols.



Continue to embed
cultural visibility
across our spaces and
communications



Expand youth-led
placemaking and
cultural programs.





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