

## Contact Us

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## Opening Hours

Monday – Friday  
9:00AM – 5:00PM



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<u>Police, Fire, Ambulance (24/7)</u>	<u>000</u>
<u>Crisis Care (24/7)</u>	<u>1800 199 008</u>
<u>Lifeline (24/7)</u>	<u>13 11 14</u>
<u>Suicide Call Back Service (24/7)</u>	<u>1300 659 467</u>
<u>Kids Helpline (24/7)</u>	<u>1800 551 800</u>
<u>Beyond Blue (24/7)</u>	<u>1300 224 636</u>
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## Link-Up



*A Healing Tree for  
the Family Spirit*

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## Our Story

The name “Yorgum” is a Noongar name for a large red flowering gum tree, which has healing properties. The name is an expression of the life-sustaining image of a living tree. The deep roots, rising sap, branches reaching to the sky, the shelter provided to the many forms of life such as insects, reptiles and birds. It is a symbol of connectedness and inter-dependence.

A group of Aboriginal women established Yorgum in 1991. They were concerned about the lack of appropriate counselling support for Aboriginal people experiencing spiritual, emotional and psychological pain. They founded a service with a ‘healing’ approach rather than an ongoing, crisis-driven ‘patch-up’ approach.

Over the years, Yorgum has grown in size and scope of its services, to become a well-respected Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation.

## Our Vision

Aboriginal people, their families and communities are empowered, and have the skills and supports, to improve and maintain their social and emotional wellbeing.

## Our Mission

Provide all Aboriginal people and their families with a wide range of culturally secure, community-based healing services that utilise a trauma-informed approach to positively impact their social and emotional wellbeing.

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This service provides healing support and counselling to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples separated from their families as a result of past governments’ removal policies and practices, including institutionalisation and adoption or foster care.

The research team at Yorgum works with the Stolen Generations as well as their descendants, to rediscover family histories and connections to community and country.

Once the family research is complete, researchers share the family history and journey of discovery with their clients. Clients receive a *Family History Package* that can include a biography of ancestors, photos, certificates, war records, burial locations, newspaper articles or family trees. Research findings vary from one client to another, depending on records that can be located.

## Services We Provide

- Family history research
- Family and mission reunions
- Healing events (camps, days, groups and yarning circles)
- Counselling, support and advocacy

## Confidentiality

Yorgum staff are bound by the Privacy Act to maintain client confidentiality and respect the views of clients and their families.

Yorgum is committed to protecting client information.