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Murin Association

Generational Strategic Vision

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Social Ventures Australia acknowledges and pays respect to the past and present traditional custodians and elders of this country on which we work.

'After the Rains' by Richard Seden for Saltwater People, 2024

About Murin

Murin is a not-for-profit association in the Thamarrurr West Daly region of the Northern Territory, headed by an elected 100% Aboriginal Executive Board who represent the members of the Associate who own and operate the services Murin provide.

Our mission

We strive to improve the quality of life of the people of the Thamarrurr West Daly region.

- We are experts in transport, freight and civil works, providing critical services that support life in the Thamarrurr West Daly region
- We run profitable businesses so we can invest back into our people
- We are deeply committed to supporting the goals and aspirations of our people

Murin Association was established in 1973 when the elders of Wadeye banded together to contribute their own funds to continue the operation of a Murin air service into Wadeye.

Murin's air service is a big success story of Aboriginal-led aviation. Murin's expansion into freight and bus transport has meant that logistics, moving people and goods, is a significant part of its identity.

Murin has also been deeply involved in the homelands movement since the 1970's helping people to return to live back on Country, by supporting place-based agreements that put community priorities first.

Over the years, Murin expanded and changed its service offering to meet changing needs of the community in Wadeye and surrounds. Activities have included: air services, freight services, agricultural activity, housing and construction, brick works, transport and logistics, employment and training, a piggery, and delivery of homelands support services.

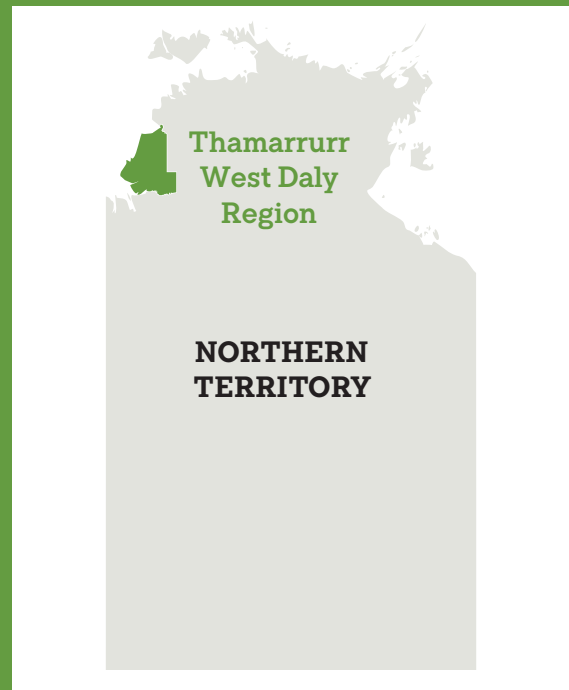


The Thamarrurr West Daly region where Murin operates is very remote with people living in Wadeye and smaller communities and homelands.

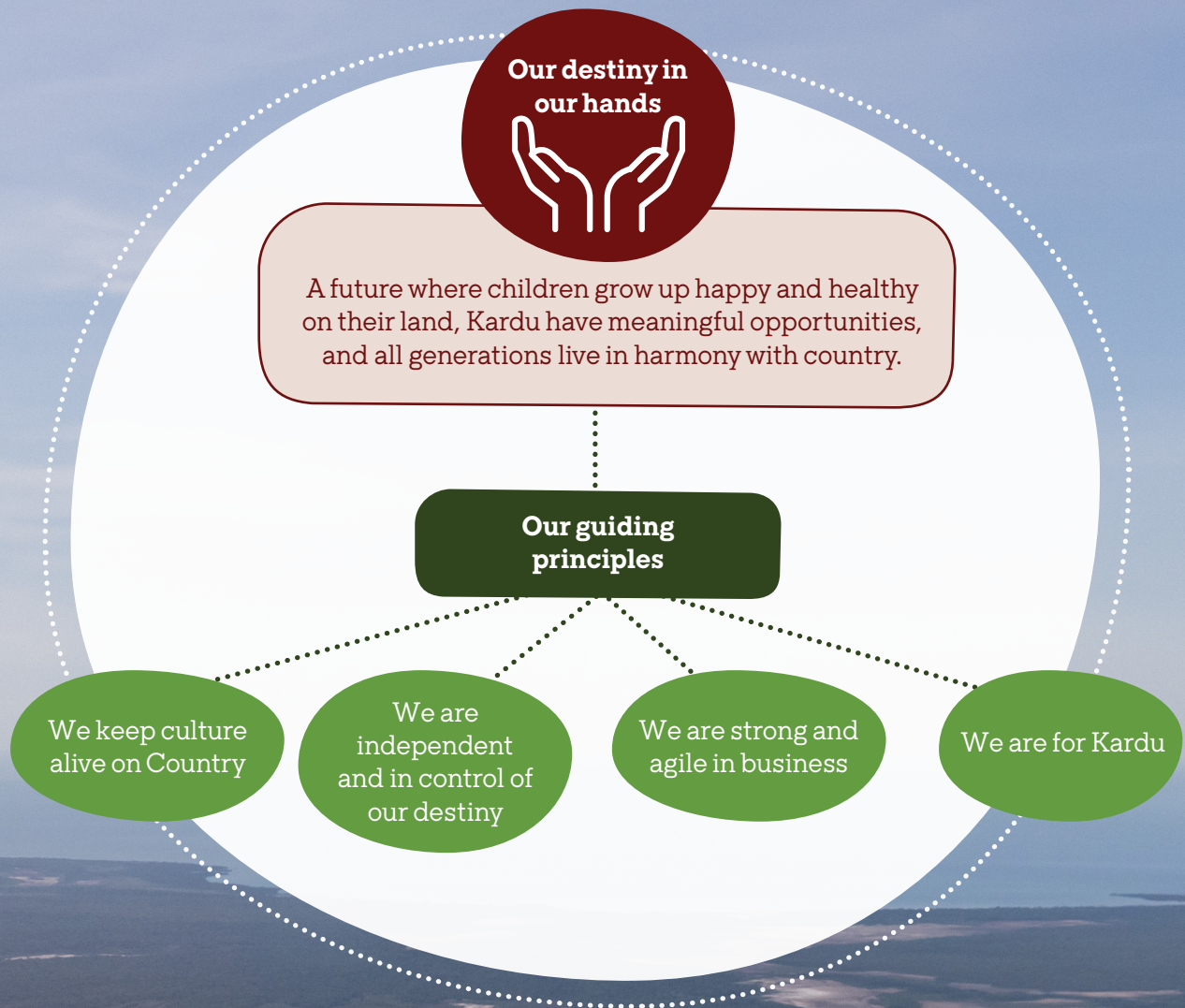
Wadeye was established as a service centre on land of the Kardu Diminin clan, bringing together clan groups from the region into one place to provide services to people through a centralised model.

There is a longstanding and ongoing desire by many to live on their homelands due to close living and the cultural implications of living on another clan's land.

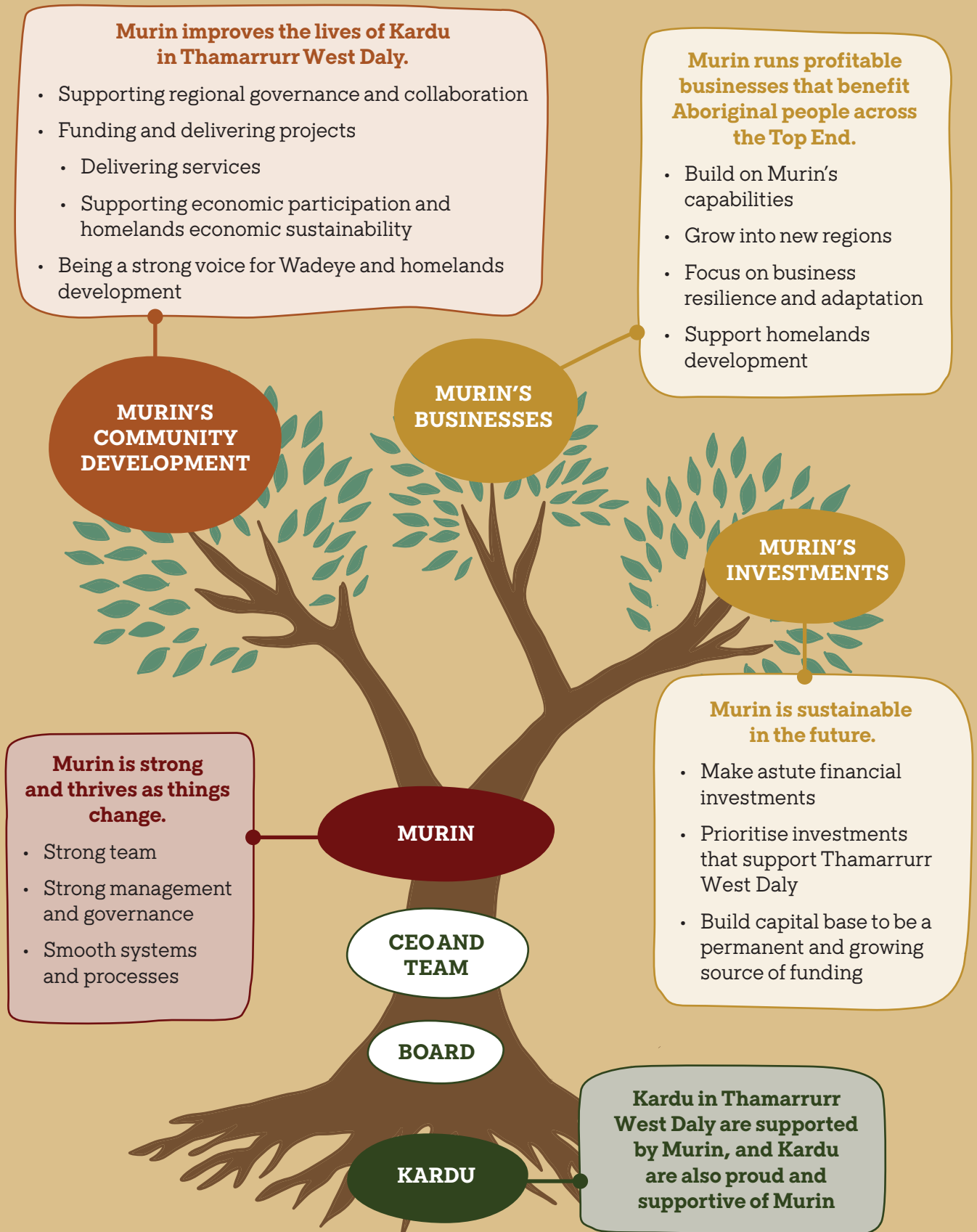
Over the coming decades, Aboriginal people across Thamarrurr West Daly homelands have communicated the goal of developing rural living hubs for decentralised service delivery to enable homelands livelihoods.



Our vision for the future and our guiding principles

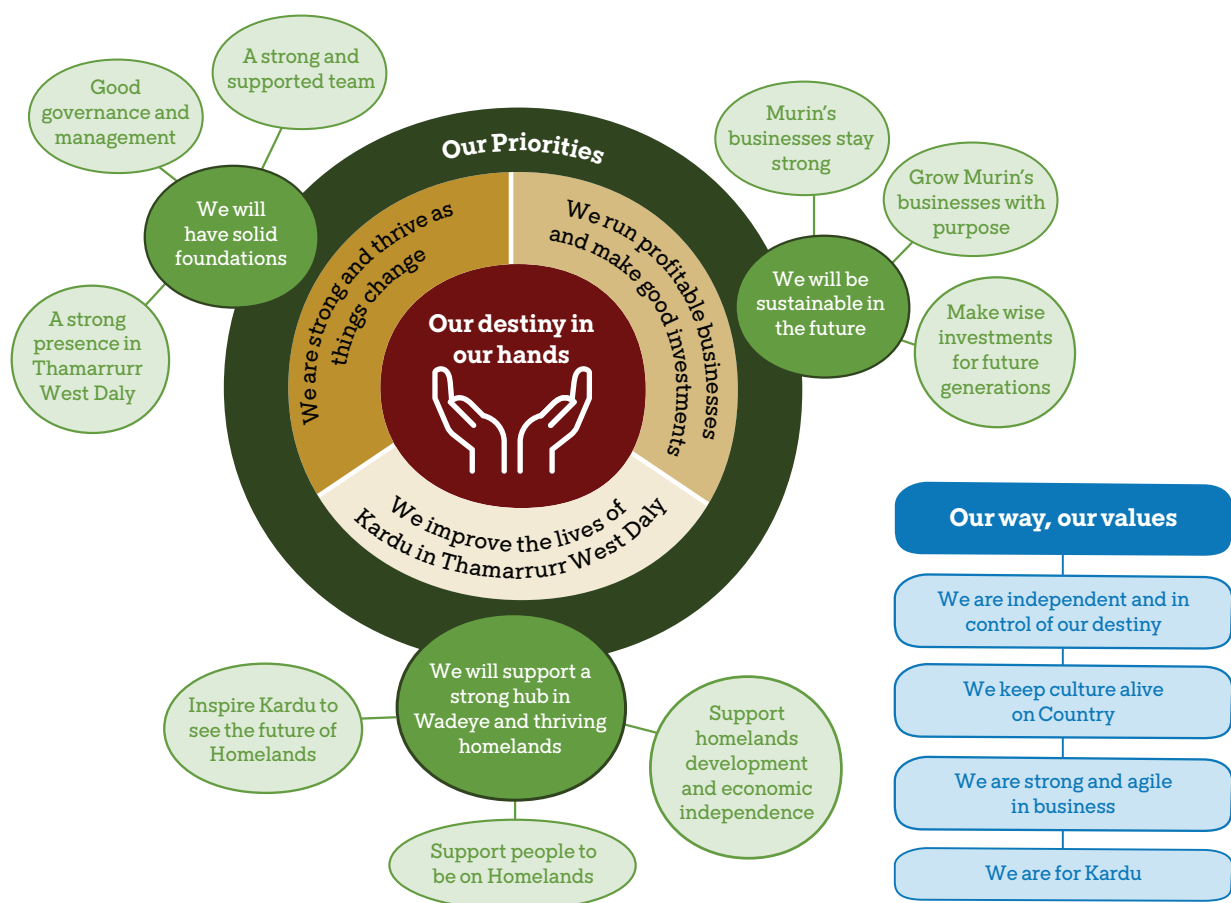


Our vision for Murin





Murin's generational strategic vision overview





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