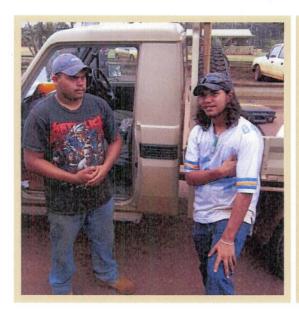
Plenty of building ahead in Hope Vale





Council has just signed up eight new apprentices to work on new homes for Hope Vale. The apprentices are finishing work on five homes already under construction. They will then work on the next five new homes, due to start in October.



Jebreen Woibo (left) and Simeon Woibo (right) are two of the new apprentices.

"I'm happy to have the apprenticeship," said Simeon.

With a big program of building ahead Simeon and Jebreen will have the opportunity to complete a four-year apprenticeship and become qualified builders.



"It's good working on a whole home," says Justin Pearson who supervises work on a new three-bedroom home in North Street.



"I'm enjoying it, I like the work," says 23-year-old contractor Justin Cobus, who is currently working at 100 Rose Street.



Jason Woibo leads a team of apprentices working on one of the new two bedroom houses in Rose Street.

Now building:

- 3 x 3 bedroom homes in North Street
- 2 x 2 bedroom homes in Rose Street

Coming soon:

- 3 x 2 bedroom homes and 2 x 3 bedroom homes for local people
- 4 staff houses for government employees
- Major upgrades on existing homes
- New business precinct with offices for services to Hope Vale and meeting spaces

For enquiries call Terry Duggan: 07 4039 8<u>575</u>

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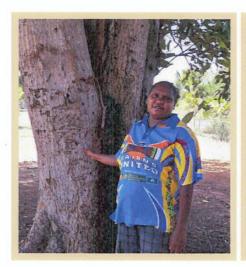


Plenty of new homes in Napranum





Gertrude Mimi is the proud new tenant of one of the 13 new homes in Napranum.



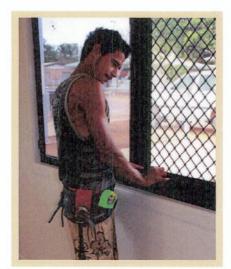
Home is where the mango tree is. Gertrude Mimi is excited to be returning to Waum Street. "I used to live there before. I cried when I found out I was going to live there again. My mango tree is still there". Gertrude and her two kids finally have a place to call home. "I've been moving from house to house. Now I have a place to call my own," says Gertrude.

Completed:

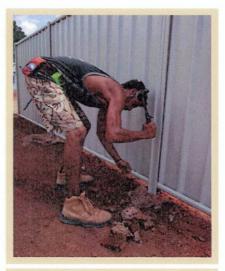
- · 8 houses in Waum St
- 1 Prunum St
- 1 Bung St
- 1 Peppan St
- 1 Preng-Im St
- 1 Arewaumpan St

Coming soon:

- 11 new houses
- 46 upgraded houses



Thomas Desatge was doing labouring work for three months before starting work on the Napranum housing construction project on Waum Street. "I'm looking to be a subcontractor in the future," says Thomas.



Now in his fourth year as a carpentry apprentice, Thomas speaks proudly about his work. "I enjoy standing back at the end of a job and seeing what I helped to build."



Gary Bailetti (above) is the Program Office contact for Napranum. If you see him in town, be sure to say hello and have a yarn about local developments happening in your community.

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