

# **Impact** REPORT 2024

### **About Five Bridges**

At Five Bridges we do everything we can to clear the path ahead, create connections, and find opportunities together, for people to work, learn, keep active in their communities, and live a rewarding life.

We acknowledge that many bridges support people toward achieving their goals. However, we focus on just five:

Quality Education, Meaningful Careers, Social Justice, Safety and Wellbeing, and Cultural Integrity.

#### **Workforce Australia**

As a specialist Indigenous service provider under the Federal Government's Workforce Australia program, Five Bridges assists Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Central Qld and Brisbane South Regions to receive training, become job ready and look for work, as well as providing ongoing employment support.

1057 308

people supported into work





## **Community Training and Employment Initiatives**

Five Bridges offers a range of training programs designed to equip community members with the skills and knowledge needed to gain employment opportunities. We offer a range of programs under the Qld Government's Skilling Queenslanders for Work Initiative in hospitality & food processing, community care, business, horticulture, driving operations and beauty industries across South East and Central Qld.

We also offer First Nations specific programs in Security, Construction and Community Services.

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people supported into work

### **Community Justice Group Programs**

Working closely with the Community Justice Groups of Ipswich, Brisbane and Sunshine Coast, Five Bridges provides essential support and services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander victims and offenders within the criminal justice system.

The Community Justice Group's role is to support Indigenous victims and offenders at all stages of the legal process. We support diversionary processes (such as encouraging offenders to engage with the Murri Court) and develop networks with other community organisations to ensure that issues impacting on Indigenous communities are addressed.



# Indigenous Alcohol Support Program

The Five Bridges Alcohol Support Program aims to educate and empower our community to ditch the booze, or at least learn to consume alcohol responsibly.

We don't shame participants. We're here to assist participants to live happier, healthier lives through providing the knowledge and tools to make informed decisions.

## State Penalties Enforcement Australia (SPER)

Five Bridges is partnered with RTOs to support eligible Australians experience personal hardship to solve their super debt by completing an eleigble course.



#### **Ipwsich Residential Program**



14
people
supported

We support First Nations people exiting the justice system through a supported accommodation program. Through this program we assist individuals with getting back on their feet after incarceration.

### Murri Sisters Mobile Domestic Violence Service



168
people supported

We provide services for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children who are experiencing Domestic and Family Violence and associated factors that are linked to homelessness.

