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Healing Foundation welcomes funding announcement

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation welcomes today's funding announcement by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, Jenny Macklin.

The funding, \$26.4million over 4 years, will ensure the Healing Foundation's significant work with communities throughout Australia continues.

'This funding will ensure the Healing Foundation builds on its work with our communities to Close the Gap through healing' said Richard Weston, Healing Foundation CEO.

Initial funding for the Healing Foundation, announced in 2009-10 Budget context, was to establish a national organisation that provides practical and innovative healing services as well as education, training and research on Indigenous healing.

Over the last 4 years the Healing Foundation has funded over 90 projects nationwide. These projects focus on the Stolen Generations, young people, connection to culture and country, and men's and women's healing.

'It has been a privilege to be part of the development phase of the Healing Foundation. I look forward to consolidating our work around areas such as Stolen Generations, intergenerational trauma and traditional healing' Mr Weston said.

More information about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation is available at www.healingfoundation.org.au. You can also find us on facebook at www.facebook.com/healingfoundation and on twitter @HealingOurWay

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