

Queensland Early
Intervention Pilot Project
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**QEIPP ROBY
PATHWAYS**

HELPING YOUNG INDIGENOUS MEN
DREAM A NEW FUTURE

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The Queensland Early Intervention Pilot
Project is an initiative under the Australian
Government's National Binge Drinking
Strategy

YOU CAN DO IT WITHOUT GROG



Roby Pathways

How the journey began.



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Wheatley



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What we found

Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas indicates Indigenous Communities within Australia are often recently rated within the most disadvantaged communities in Australia and this is true for the State of Queensland.

By way of example, the Cherbourg community is rated the 4th disadvantaged in Queensland and the 14th most disadvantaged community in Australia.



Roby Pathways

In partnership with:

- QPS State Domestic and Family Violence Unit
- Outward Bound Australia
- Indigenous Communities

Together we aim to build resilience around alcohol in young men aged between 15 to 18 through getting back to country activities and personal development training to develop practical life skills.



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Learning's & MENTORS

A Cherbourg Experience

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Program Overview

The program operates for 10 days and is conducted at the Outward Bound Camp in Northern NSW. The first two days focuses on indigenous culture.

Guest Speakers:-

Greg Telford - Rekindling the Spirit, Lismore.

Dhinawan – Dhinawan Dreaming.



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On the third day, the participants commence wilderness activities which are essentially a trek over eight days utilising various skills to get them there including walking, canoeing, abseiling, map reading and compass work.

The program is designed to show participants how they can have fun and at the same time what they can achieve without alcohol.

Self awareness is achieved through developing self discipline and social skills through mentally, physically and emotionally demanding challenges in a culturally sensitive outdoor based adventure environment.





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Selection Process

- Local police
- Community
- Justice group



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Who can go

- 15-18 year old men
- Assessed by community as suitable
- Open to change and new ideas
- Can have offending history
- Willing to participate



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Surviving or Thriving

What does it take?

Perseverance
Sticking together
Encouragement
Integrity
Respect/Dignity



Courage/Risk
Belonging
Sharing/Helping
Resilience



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Why go on a ROBY program?

- To have fun
- To be active and immersed in country
- To take some healthy risks and to be challenged with exciting, safe activities
- To support, help and encourage others and to be supported and encouraged
- To practice real-life listening, resilience, tolerance, trust and respect of others and the environment



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Evaluation

- Quantitative
- Qualitative



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