JALBI JIYA FAQs

Do I have to be Yawuru?

No, Jalbi Jiya is open to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who reside in Broome.

Do I have to be applying as a family?

No. You can apply as a single person or couple. If a single person is found eligible, it's most likely you will be assigned a smaller home.

• Do I need to have a deposit?

It's great if you do, but if not, the Jalbi Jiya team will work with you to save a deposit.

What if I have debt?

We can work with you to reduce your debts. During the application process the Jalbi Jiya team will assess your level of debt and let you know if you will be able to manage repayments and take part in Jalbi Jiya.

Where are the houses located and how many are available?

There are 25 properties in the program, 17 will be available for home ownership and 8 will be used as long-term, affordable, rental properties. The houses are in Broome. If you are eligible for Jalbi Jiya we will provide you with a list of locations.

• How many bedrooms do the houses have and is there furniture in them?

The houses are one and three bedroom homes. They are not furnished. You will have to bring your own furniture.

Do we have to take care of the garden too?

Yes, it will be part of your responsibility to maintain the gardens.

How long does the application process take and when will I know if I am eligible?

The first round of applications will close 6 weeks after our first information session, scheduled for 28th January 2021. Your application and eligibility for Jalbi Jiya will be assessed within 2 weeks. We will contact you once your application has been assessed.

Can I bring my pets?

We understand that they are part of the family so please speak with us about your pets.

CONTACT the Jalbi Jiya team at Nyamba Buru Yawuru offices with any further questions.

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