

## **MEDIA** RELEASE

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## Palmerston shines at NT Human Rights Awards

Palmerston last night won the 2019 Fitzgerald Diversity Award for an organisation at the NT Human Rights Awards.

The Award recognises organisations whose activities focus on promoting, protecting and fulfilling the human rights and equal opportunities of diverse communities in the NT.

Council's Community Plan supports the strives for a City that is a welcoming vibrant family city that fosters diversity and unity, everyone belongs, and everyone is safe. These elements are central to Council's vision for Palmerston as 'A Place for People'.

In the last financial year, Council delivered more than 160 events and activities to encourage community participation and social inclusion.

Council demonstrated its continuous commitment in celebrating community's rich culture and diversity via many programs and events including Harmony Day, Multicultural dinners, Palmerston Youth Festival, Warisan Budaya Indonesian festival, Drag queen, refugee and bi-lingual Storytime, and many others.

## Quote from City of Palmerston Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell

"Our community is strong and successful when we live in harmony and tap into the diverse mix of people and cultures to enrich our lives. As a proud resident of Palmerston, I know we have many things in common, and we celebrate, honour and value our differences."

"This award is a true reflection of our city's vision that Palmerston is 'A Place for People'. I thank our amazing community, elected members and the council staff for helping bring this vision to life."

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