# Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program 2025 Participant Application Form

# About the Program:

The Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (QIYLP) is a leadership and professional development program for young Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples in Queensland, aged 18–25.

QIYLP provides an opportunity for participants to grow and strengthen leadership skills and capabilities, while supporting participants to deliver positive change in their communities. Since 2004, over 759 young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have taken part in the program, with many returning in later years as mentors, lead mentors and program facilitators.

QIYLP will be held in Meanjin (Brisbane) from Saturday 22 November to Friday 28 November 2025, and all travel, meals, and accommodation is provided for the successful applicants and mentors attending.

**What to expect at QIYLP:**

1. **Leadership workshops**—facilitated by First Nations community leaders and content experts that empower participants to lead and execute community projects addressing local issues.
2. **Mentoring and networking opportunities**—participants can network with high-profile politicians, elders, community leaders, and representatives of the Queensland Government.
3. **Career development opportunities**—providing participants with links to employment opportunities, alumni development program, and access to ongoing mentoring and training.
4. **Eric Deeral Indigenous Youth Parliament**—one-day event delivered by Queensland Parliamentary Services, providing young people with an opportunity to improve their understanding of Queensland government parliamentary processes.
5. **Access to career development resources**—including job links, employer connections, and ongoing mentoring.

# Eligibility

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| Are you a Queensland resident? | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| Will you be 18-25 years old by 22 November 2025? | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| Have you previously completed the QIYLP? | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| Do you identify as any of the following? | ☐ Aboriginal | ☐ Torres Strait Islander |
| ☐ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander | ☐ None of the above |

# Your details

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| Full name: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Preferred name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Date of birth: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| How do you describe your gender?Your gender refers to current gender, which may be different to sex recorded at birth and may be different to what is indicated on legal documents. |
| ☐ Man or male | ☐ Woman or female | ☐ Non-binary | ☐ Prefer not to say | ☐ Use a different term (please specify)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Do you speak a language other than English at home? | ☐ Yes ☐ No |  |
| Email: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Phone: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| Address: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Suburb or town: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | State:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| How did you hear about the program? | ☐ Past participant | ☐ University | ☐ Facebook |
|  | ☐ Instagram | ☐ Other social media  | ☐ Email |
|  | ☐ Radio | ☐ Government website | ☐ NAIDOC event stall |
|  | ☐ Local paper | ☐ Word of mouth | ☐ Other: |

# Application questions

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| Why do you want to attend the Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program? |
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| What does leadership mean to you? |
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| How have you demonstrated leadership within your community?(Your leadership experience could relate to work, family, sports, community, or previous leadership programs) |
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| What is the most important issue affecting your community? (please choose one only) |
| [ ]  Addiction[ ]  Colonialism[ ]  Connectedness[ ]  Cost of living[ ]  Cultural competence[ ]  Domestic violence[ ]  Education[ ]  Employment[ ]  Environmental issues[ ]  Generational trauma[ ]  Healthcare[ ]  Housing[ ]  Infrastructure[ ]  Lack of services[ ]  Land and conservation management[ ]  Mental health and wellbeing[ ]  Racism[ ]  Technology[ ]  Transport[ ]  Youth crime[ ]  Other |
| What is the second most important issue affecting your community? (please choose one only) |
| [ ]  Addiction[ ]  Colonialism[ ]  Connectedness[ ]  Cost of living[ ]  Cultural competence[ ]  Domestic violence[ ]  Education[ ]  Employment[ ]  Environmental issues[ ]  Generational trauma[ ]  Healthcare[ ]  Housing[ ]  Infrastructure[ ]  Lack of services[ ]  Land and conservation management[ ]  Mental health and wellbeing[ ]  Racism[ ]  Technology[ ]  Transport[ ]  Youth crime[ ]  Other |
| Choose one issue that you listed above and describe how you think the issue could be addressed? |
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# Emergency contact details

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| **Contact 1**Full name: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Phone: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| **Contact 2**Full name: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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| Please nominate one person (who is not a family member) that the Office for Youth can contact to support and endorse your application. |
| Full name: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Phone: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

**Privacy notice**

The Office for Youth within the Department of Housing and Public Works (the Department), is collecting your personal information as part of your application for, participation in, and ongoing mentorship and post-program supports for the Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (QIYLP). Your personal information will be used for the purpose of assessing your eligibility and suitability for QIYLP, administering and evaluating program activities, and providing support and opportunities that may arise from stakeholders. If required, you may be contacted to provide further information to facilitate these processes. Your name and contact details will be shared with members of the assessment panel, which may include representatives from the Department, other Queensland Government agencies, and contracted partnering organisations. Additionally, service providers (example: employment, health and wellbeing providers, catering) may receive relevant details for the purposes of securing services necessary for your participation. Following completion of the QIYLP, you may be contacted as part of an evaluation to inform best practices for future program delivery. We may also invite you to participate in events, projects, or initiatives that align with your interests and aspirations. Your participation in these activities is voluntary, and you can opt out at any time by emailing QIYLP@housing.qld.gov.au.  Your personal information will not otherwise be used or disclosed for any other purpose unless authorised or required by law.). For any questions regarding the handling of your personal information, please contact the QIYLP Team within the Office for Youth via QIYLP@housing.qld.gov.au.

See more about the department’s privacy policy at <https://www.housing.qld.gov.au/about/information-privacy>.

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| ☐ I have read and understood the above privacy notice. |
| ☐ I understand that if selected to attend I will take part in online e-introductions to the QIYLP support team, online induction to QIYLP, and online induction to the Eric Deeral Indigenous Youth Parliament, which will equip me to know what to expect and provide me opportunities to connect and ask questions. |
| ☐ I understand that the Office for Youth will only fund travel to and from my listed Queensland residential address and not interstate or overseas. |

Please email your application form to QIYLP@housing.qld.gov.au.