

Visualise Your Future, Work and Study through Virtual Reality in Rural and Remote Qld

Project Description:

Remote communities in Queensland will see an increase in the aspirations and linkages to economic participation through a Virtual Reality technology, linkage and information event facilitated by 3 regional NDCOs covering South, North and Central West Queensland. This collaborative project will provide a valuable opportunity to:

- Raise awareness of realistic local job prospects with the opportunity to apply for available positions and enrol in courses;
- Experience higher education;
- Engage communities experiencing recent hardship through drought to feel re-energised;
- Building on established strong linkages with local services to build economic, social, and community engagement;
- Build service capacity through an innovative event

Project outputs:

'Visualise Your Future' using virtual reality is an event that will engage 13 remote and rural Western Queensland communities. Each community event will be different to reflect community needs. However, the basis will be same.

Virtual Reality Experience:

- 5 different themes using headsets as a group: Mining, Agriculture, Health, Horticulture/Aquaponics and Construction.
- View VR 'life as a university student'
- Guidance related to social, education and career pathways and report

NDCOs contribution:

- Meet participants, highlight supports and services in further education and employment and connect with relevant programs
- Provide course and job information including apprenticeships
- Tips and research tools
- Benefits of 'disclosing' disability, Indigenous, Multicultural prior to registration
- Transition resources

Local Services:

- Be available to answer questions
- Promote courses including Government funded
- Market current jobs and projects
- Promote services and supports

Communities

Very Remote Australia: Blackall, Charleville, Cloncurry, Cunnamulla, Hughenden, Longreach, Richmond, Winton

Remote Australia: Mt Isa, St George, Woorambina

Outer Regional Australia: Charters Towers, Emerald, Roma

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