

Get Communities Working - Community Infrastructure Development Group



Funded via the Australian Government's Jobs Fund Program, the Community Infrastructure Development Group links work teams to community groups across Northern Tasmania to conduct small to medium construction projects.

The work teams are made up of both trades assistants and apprentices, recruited from local job seekers, under the supervision of a qualified tradesman. All members of these work teams are employed under contract by the O Group to participate in the program.

Construction projects to date have included the building of a workshop and office facility on council land at Latrobe for the Mersey Natural Resource Group, a large gazebo for the Westbury Primary School, an external extension to the central amenities area at Tandarra Lodge Aged Care facility in Sheffield and a disability access ramp for the main entrance of the Westbury Bowls Club clubrooms.

Participants in the work teams gain essential skills in construction and general work and life skills.

Whilst participants are working on projects, CHOOSE Employment is constantly marketing them out to external employers in an effort to secure them employment in the general labour market. To date, this has proven very successful with several team members gaining full time employment outside the project, including some securing apprenticeships.