

**Building on Native Title** 

**SANTS** is an independent Aboriginal organisation with proven experience and expertise in providing a wide range of professional services to South Australian Aboriginal Nations.

We are responsive to the needs and priorities of Aboriginal corporations and can bring a unique understanding of and respect for culture and communities in our provision of services.

We offer services in

- Corporate Governance
- Corporate Administration
- Community Development
- Native Title Legal Services

**SANTS** offers a very competitive fee structure to Aboriginal corporations to suit their financial circumstances. Contact us for a confidential discussion and further information.

In South Australia, native title has been successfully determined over large parts of the State and native title corporations or Prescribed Body Corporates (PBCs) now hold and manage the determined native title rights and interests.

For many Aboriginal Nations, the native title journey has shifted from the struggle to get native title to building on native title.

Obtaining recognition of native title presents new and exciting opportunities, but also presents challenges.

**SANTS** is focussed on supporting Aboriginal Nations' transition from native title claimants to native title holders.

We take a developmental approach to our services, and seek to partner with respective PBCs and tailor our services and approach to meet their interests. Our overarching objective is for Aboriginal Nations to be sustainable, and manage their rights and interests and achieve their aspirations on their own terms.



To discuss these services or other areas of SANTS business, please contact: Manager, Corporate and Community Development.



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Community and Corporate Development Services



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South Australian Native Title Services Ltd (SANTS) offers the following range of professional services to support Aboriginal Nations manage and protect native title and identify and pursue opportunities for social, cultural and economic development.

#### **Corporate Governance**

Governance of PBCs is complicated with unique requirements under the *Corporations (Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (Cth) and the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth). **SANTS** supports Aboriginal Nations to understand the governance framework and develop internal tools and practices to govern effectively. Services include:

- Corporate governance training
- Corporate policy development
- Corporate leadership and strategy development
- Advice on legislative requirements including reporting, decision-making and rule-book
- PBC regulations compliance
- Risk management
- Working with Financial Statements

## **Corporate Administration**

The level of resources PBCs have varies, and some require assistance to meet the administrative needs of the corporation. **SANTS** offers administrative services to Aboriginal Nations including:

- Executive management services such as:
  - meeting coordination
  - preparation meeting papers
  - Board and community communications
  - records management
  - compliance (e.g., ORIC reporting, membership registers)
- general administration
- Financial management including accounts payable, book-keeping and accounting
- Human Resource management including recruitment, contracts and policy/compliance

## Community Development

Native title can provide a foundation to support and drive positive change. **SANTS** offers services to assist Aboriginal Nations to identify and develop community-based initiatives which include:

- Corporate and community planning and implementation
- Funding submissions
- Marketing and communications
- Project development, coordination and management (including in cultural heritage and natural resource management)
- Partnering, networking and stakeholder relations
- Organisational development
- Economic and enterprise development
- Benefit management

#### **Native Title Services**

Managing native title requires that
Aboriginal Nations continue to negotiate
with other parties, make decisions in particular
ways and satisfy agreement and legislative
requirements. **SANTS** offers services to Aboriginal
Nations on native title matters which include:

- Legal advice and representation
- Legal education/training on native title matters
- Agreement making and implementation
- Filing and prosecution of compensation claims
- Making native title decisions
- Structuring and establishing native title and related entities including PBCs, trusts and business arms