

# Djamaga Biratj

## Community Language Resource

### Report for the Mumbulla Foundation

In 2020, we applied for a Mumbulla grant to the sum of \$7,250 to develop digital learning resources in the form of short videos which could be used as educational tools for community members to teach some of the local Aboriginal language. Although we didn't receive the total amount, we were fortunate to have received \$4,250.00. With the amount we were presented with, we were unable to do a number of resources so decided to do one.



The language resource video was to be conducted on Country in a number of different locations within the Bega Valley. Unfortunately, due to COVID19 and the heavy restrictions everyone was placed under at the time, our ability to develop the resource was significantly impacted and couldn't be done.

Eventually, with time and the easing of restrictions, the Eden Aboriginal Language group were able to fulfil their obligations to the Mumbulla grant they received and have developed a digital language resource for community to access.



The process was quite time consuming and challenging however extremely rewarding at the same time and the end result was definitely worth it.

The language resource was developed on Country at Jigamy and involved a mentoring relationship between local Aboriginal women. The resource highlights a contemporary songline which was developed by the Eden language group and features song, dance, story, ceremony and language. The connection to Country and culture was rather significant for everyone involved in this project and it wouldn't have happened without the grant.



The process of developing this resource was extremely special for everyone involved, including the crew. We know that this resource isn't the last of its kind that will be created for community and we hope to do a series of them (as intended in our original application).

We would like to thank the Mumbulla Foundation for providing us with the funds to be able to implement this project. We are truly grateful for their patience with us and allowing us to continue with the project even though it was past its due date. We are extremely pleased with the end result of the resource we have developed and hope that the community can use it to learn some of the local Aboriginal language.