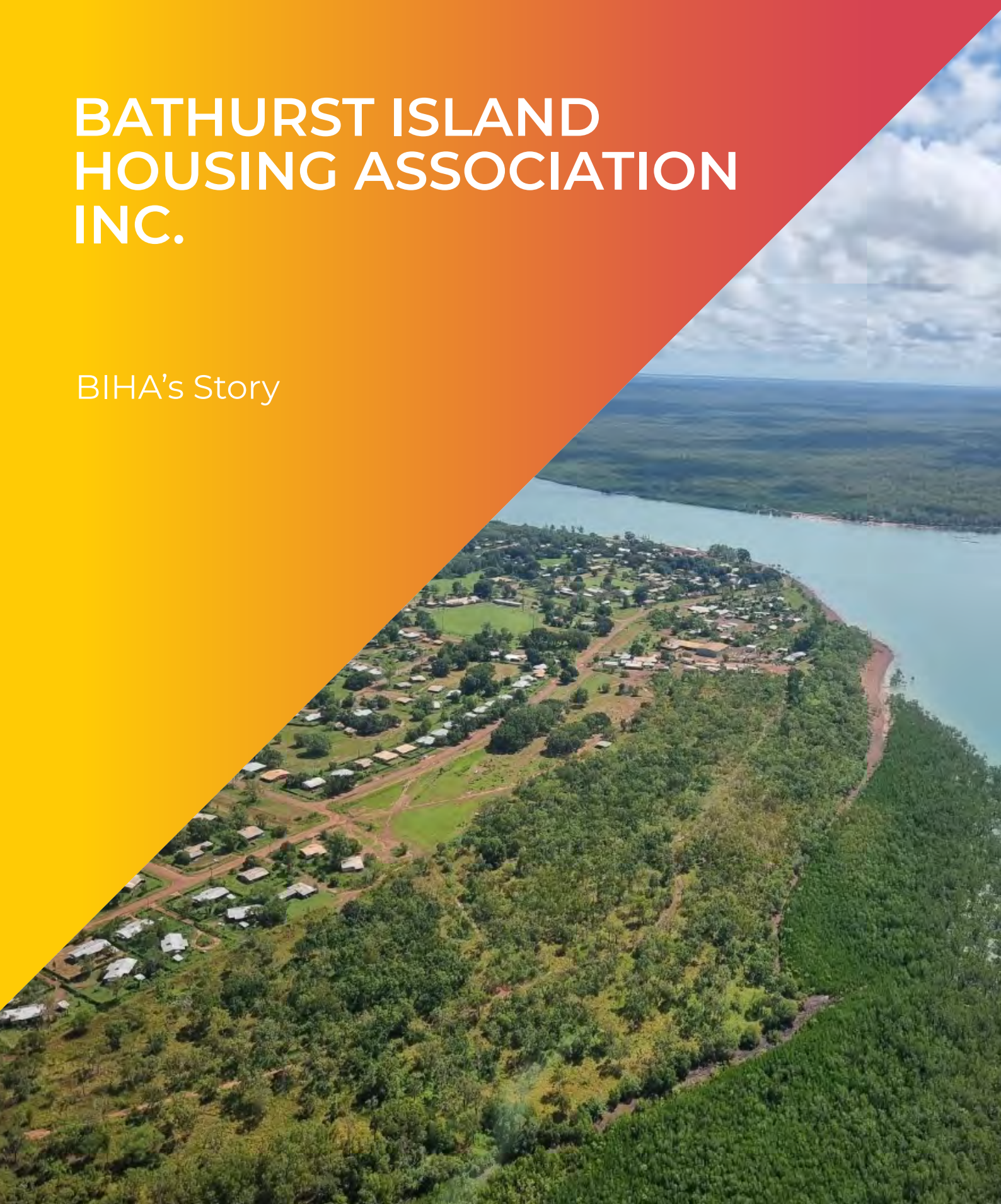




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# BATHURST ISLAND HOUSING ASSOCIATION INC.

BIHA's Story



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## About BIHA

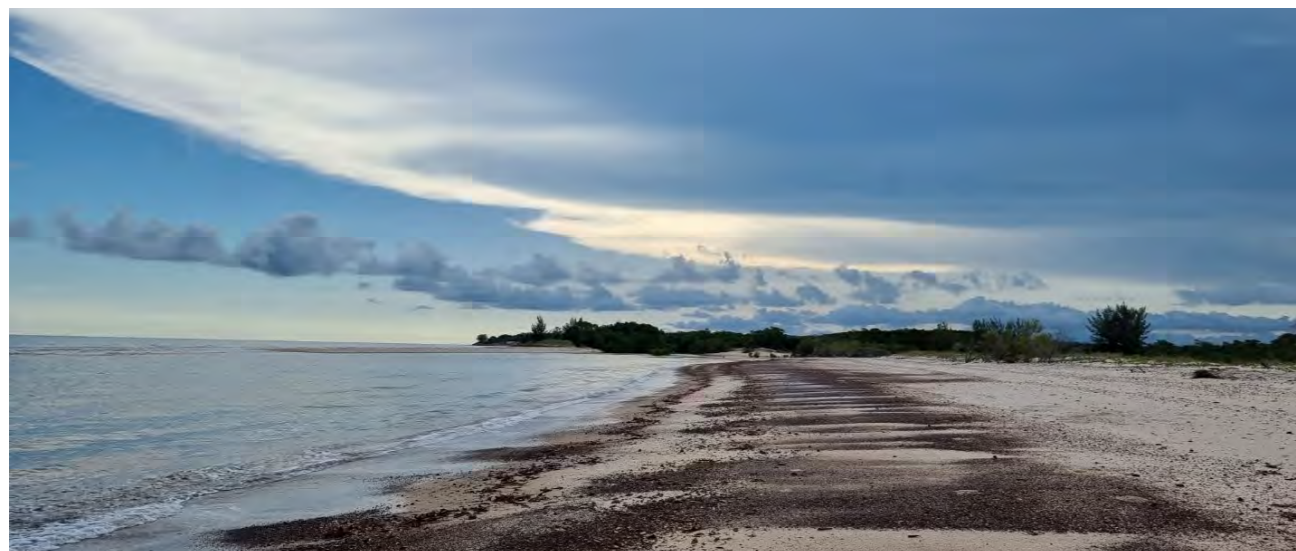
BIHA is the incumbent construction company of the Tiwi Islands. Established in 1972, BIHA has served the community with new housing, repairs and maintenance of existing Government Employee Housing and Remote Community housing and renovations of existing dwellings via implementation of various Northern Territory Government initiatives.

## What does it mean for you to be an indigenous owned organisation in Australia?

We are a proud Tiwi business, 100% locally owned and operated, deeply rooted in the community we serve.

For over 52 years Tiwi Islanders have relied on BIHA not just as a service provider, but as a cornerstone of community support and stability. Every day, we take immense pride in our role, ensuring that homes are well-maintained and that families have a safe, comfortable place to live.

This commitment to our community is more than just a job for us; it's a testament to our dedication and responsibility as a local business. Being entrusted with this vital role is both an honour and a privilege, and we are committed to continuing this legacy for generations to come.



## What are some of the key trends in your industry that will be affecting your enterprise over the coming few years?

Government policy regarding Indigenous housing is always a significant concern for us.

As a community-owned enterprise, we are particularly vulnerable to the shifts in government priorities and the impacts of changing policies and budget allocations.

These changes are felt acutely by tenants of government housing, and they also create a challenging environment for businesses like BIHA that rely on these contracts.

The uncertainty makes it difficult for us to plan for sustainable growth, as we are constantly at the mercy of political changes and funding fluctuations. Additionally, inconsistent policy support can hinder our ability to invest in long-term infrastructure and workforce development.

To navigate these challenges, we must remain agile and proactive, continuously advocating for stable and supportive housing policies that benefit both the community and local businesses.

## How has Moore Australia made a difference to your organisation?

Moore Australia was engaged at a time when BIHA was facing its most challenging period. Confronted with solvency issues, mounting tax debt, and the fallout from the catastrophic negligence of previous management,

Moore stepped in to restore compliance with the ACNC and address the disarray in our accounting.

Over the past 18 months, with the unwavering support of Anthony and Kim, we have successfully navigated these difficulties and stabilised our operations.

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