

FRONTIER SERVICES MANDATE

- Responsible to:** The Assembly
- Reporting Arrangements:** The Assembly and Assembly Standing Committee
- Vision Statement:** In the remote areas of Australia –
Reconciliation will become reality
Hope will replace anxiety and despair
Justice and equity will build community
Everyone will have access to the services they need
As we journey together.....
- Purpose Statement:** To offer service and ministry in the name of Christ to the people of remote Australia through compassionate care, justice and nurture of the spirit.

Mandate:

Frontier Services will:

- Work with Synods, Presbyteries and the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress and relevant UnitingCare organisations to facilitate ministry and mission in remote areas of Australia, particularly through the provision of a broad range of community services other than residential aged care services.
- Act in accordance with the Frontier Services Constitution as approved from time to time by the Assembly or the Assembly Standing Committee.
- Within its own life and through its ministry and services, act for reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in remote areas of Australia.
- Operate and coordinate public benevolent activities which provide direct relief for those in the community who are isolated and/or subject to poverty, distress and other disadvantage.
- Develop services to meet established and emerging needs.
- Ensure services are provided without discrimination, with due regard to the dignity of the individual and with cultural sensitivity.
- Cooperate with other organisations to enrich and extend our work together.
- Develop ecumenical relationships for pastoral planning and cooperative action in remote areas.
- Maximise access to funds within and beyond the Uniting Church to support ministry and mission in remote areas.
- Advocate with and on behalf of those in remote areas, where appropriate in cooperation with other agencies of the Uniting Church and with other organisations.

Approved by the Assembly Standing Committee, July 2014