



WINNER FUTURE JUSTICE PRIZE 2018

We are pleased to announce the winner of the 2018 Future Justice Prize (www.futurejustice.com.au).

The 2018 Prize is for an entrepreneurial person or organisation that has initiated and driven projects to advance future justice: <https://djirra.org.au>

Antoinette Braybrook



Antoinette Braybrook is an Aboriginal woman who was born in Victoria on Wurundjeri country. Antoinette's grandfather and mother's line is through the Kuku Yalanji, North Queensland.

Antoinette is the CEO of Djirra (formerly the Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service Victoria - FVPLS Victoria), a position she has held since the service was established in 2002. Djirra is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation which provides holistic, culturally safe and specialist legal and non-legal support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who experience family violence - predominantly women. Djirra also designs and delivers important, community-based early intervention and prevention

programs and undertakes policy and law reform work to improve access to justice, strengthen Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women's resilience and reduce vulnerability to violence.

In addition to Antoinette's leadership in Victoria, she has held the elected position of National Convenor of the National Family Violence Prevention Legal Services Forum (National FVPLS Forum) since 2012. The National FVPLS Forum is the peak body for the 14 FVPLSs throughout Australia.

From 2016 to 2018, Antoinette was also the Co-Chair of the Change the Record Campaign. Change the Record is an unprecedented national coalition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, human rights, legal and community organisations that was established to end the disproportionate rates of imprisonment and violence experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Antoinette was awarded the 2015 Law Institute of Victoria: *Access to Justice/Pro Bono* Award, the 2017 Inspirational Women of Yarra Award, and a 2015 Australian Centre for Leadership for Women award for Sustaining Women's Empowerment. In 2018, Antoinette was a finalist for the Australian Human Rights Commission's Human Rights Medal.