Grant funding released to support vulnerable Territorians

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Grant funding for specialist housing and homelessness services and programs across the Northern Territory for 2015-16 has been allocated under the National Partnership Agreement on Housing (NPAH) and the National Affordable Housing Agreement (NAHA).

Minister for Housing Bess Price said this announcement provides certainty to non-government organisations to continue supporting vulnerable Territorians.

“Over $17 million is being allocated through grant funding to support Territorians who are homeless or at risk of homelessness in 2015-16,” Mrs Price said.

“Service providers will use the funding to deliver around 50 services and programs throughout the Territory across crisis and short-term accommodation and support services, managed and supported accommodation services, and tenancy support programs.

“A new National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH) with the Commonwealth Government for 2015-17 has been signed, providing over $21 million over two years ($5.32 million contributed by the Commonwealth and $5.32 million by the NTG per year) to non-government organisations to deliver specialist housing and homelessness services.

“The focus of the new NPAH agreement will be women and children escaping domestic and family violence, and young people.

“This supports the outcomes of the National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and Their Children 2012-2022, which seeks to bring together the efforts of all Australian governments to make a real and sustained reduction in the levels of violence against women.

“In addition to the $17 million for 2015-16, additional funding has been allocated to the operation of Apmere Mwerre Visitor Park for 2015-16.”

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