

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Higgins to the Minister for Local Government, Housing and Community Development:

Homelands Housing

1. What is the housing deficit in Territory homelands?

There is a deficit in homelands funding following the previous CLP government's decision to accept a one-off payment from the Commonwealth in lieu of ongoing homelands funding.

2. How many new houses have been provided by the Territory Government to homelands?

Five new homes have been provided in homelands in 2017 and 2018.

3. How many new houses have been provided under co-funding arrangements?

No new homes have been provided for homelands under co-funding arrangements.

4. Who has co-funded with the new houses with the Territory Government?

No new homes have been provided for homelands under co-funding arrangements.

5. What grants have been given for building houses in outstations and homelands and where?

The Northern Territory has committed to the development of Arlparra as a service hub through the construction of additional infrastructure and the delivery of 15 new homes.

Existing housing on homelands has largely been constructed under Commonwealth funded housing programs. In 2015, the Australian Government handed over fiscal responsibility for services to homelands by agreement with the CLP government.