



# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

No. 209

## WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms Uibo to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Community Development, Hon Steven Edgington MLA:

### Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development Administration

Cost for the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development to complete these responses is \$82,177.

## STAFFING

1. (a) Please advise the number of staff employed in the following categories as of 31 March 2026:

### Answer:

Category	FTE	Head Count (Actual)	NT-based	Located outside NT
1. Ongoing Full Time	421.63	429	429	0
2. Ongoing Part Time	8.78	12	12	0
3. Fixed Term Full Time	67.98	69	69	0
4. Fixed Term Part Time	2.32	5	5	0
5. Casual Contract	38.63	87	86	1
6. Executive Contract	24.3	25	25	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>563.64</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>1</b>

(b) Please provide, **for each of the six categories above:**  
the relevant position classifications and the number of staff  
employed against each classification.

**Answer:**

<b>Classification</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>Head Count (Paid)</b>	<b>NT-based</b>	<b>Located outside NT</b>
<b>1. Ongoing Full Time</b>				
Administrative Officer 2	4.8	5	5	0
Administrative Officer 3	26.48	27	27	0
Administrative Officer 4	37.22	39	39	0
Administrative Officer 5	96.46	98	98	0
Administrative Officer 6	58.54	60	60	0
Administrative Officer 7	67.13	68	68	0
Executive Officer 2	2	2	2	0
Graduate Trainees	1	1	1	0
Professional 3	1	1	1	0
Senior Administrative Officer 1	62	62	62	0
Senior Administrative Officer 1X	1	1	1	0
Senior Administrative Officer 2	35	36	36	0
Senior Administrative Officer 2X	1	1	1	0
Senior Professional Officer 1	1	1	1	0
Senior Professional Officer 2	2	2	2	0
Technical 4	2	2	2	0
Technical 5	22	22	22	0
Technical 6	1	1	1	0
<b>2. Ongoing Part Time</b>				
Administrative Officer 3	0.93	1	1	0
Administrative Officer 4	1.08	2	2	0
Administrative Officer 5	1.66	2	2	0
Administrative Officer 6	0.95	1	1	0
Administrative Officer 7	2.53	4	4	0
Senior Administrative Officer 1	0.80	1	1	0
Senior Administrative Officer 2	0.83	1	1	0

<b>Classification</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>Head Count (Paid)</b>	<b>NT-based</b>	<b>Located outside NT</b>
<b>3. Fixed Term Full Time</b>				
Administrative Officer 2	4	4	4	0
Administrative Officer 3	7.33	8	8	0
Administrative Officer 4	10.65	11	11	0
Administrative Officer 5	17	17	17	0
Administrative Officer 6	3	3	3	0
Administrative Officer 7	5	5	5	0
Graduate Trainees	7	7	7	0
NTPS Adult Traineeship AQF4 Level A	1	1	1	0
NTPS Traineeship AQF4 Level A	2	2	2	0
Professional 3	2	2	2	0
Senior Administrative Officer 1	2	2	2	0
Senior Administrative Officer 2	3	3	3	0
Senior Professional Officer 1	1	1	1	0
Technical 5	3	3	3	0
<b>4. Fixed Term Part Time</b>				
Administrative Officer 3	0.27	1	1	0
Administrative Officer 4	0.60	1	1	0
Administrative Officer 7	0.65	1	1	0
School Based Trainee	0.80	2	2	0
<b>5. Casual Contract</b>				
Aboriginal Interpreter	33.29	57	56	1
Administrative Officer 3	5.37	30	30	0
<b>6. Executive Contract</b>				
Executive Contract Officer 1	6.30	7	7	0
Executive Contract Officer 2	12	12	12	0
Executive Contract Officer 3	1	1	1	0
Executive Contract Officer 4	3	3	3	0
Executive Contract Officer 6*	2	2	2	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>563.64</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>626</b>	<b>1</b>

\* Figure is reflective of the CEO being on leave with backfill coverage.

- (c) Where there is a difference between FTE and Headcount (Actual), please provide an explanation for the difference, including any reasons for the use of part-time and casual positions within the overall workforce profile.

**Answer:** To meet the Department's service delivery needs, its workforce relies on casual contracts for Aboriginal interpreters and Administrative Officers at the Level 3 classification, enabling services to be delivered as demand arises. The agency also supports flexible working arrangements, with a number of officers working part-time.

2. Please advise the number of staff held against the following categories as of 31 March 2026:

**Answer:**

Category	Headcount
Resigned	72
Made Redundant	0
Terminated	4
Unattached	20
Classified Redeployee	0
Supernumerary*	140

**\*Supernumerary staff by employment status**

Employment Status	Headcount
Casual	87
Permanent	25
Temporary / Contract	28
<b>Total</b>	<b>140</b>

Casual staff (including casual interpreters) are recorded as Supernumerary.

The Department's updated staffing establishment is being finalised following a recent review and the 2024 Machinery of Government changes. This has resulted in a temporary increase in the number of staff reported as Supernumerary. The Department is updating this information to improve accuracy in future reporting periods.

3. Please advise the number of staff identifying as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander as of 31 March 2026.

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to question 3 will be provided by the Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment.

4. (a) Please advise the number of Frontline staff as FTE as of 31 March 2026 and as a percentage of the Agency's total employment.

**Answer:** The Departments updated staffing establishment is currently being finalised following a recent review and the 2024 Machinery of Government changes. This includes changes to the categorisation of positions as 'frontline' or support/central'. As such, accurate figures cannot be provided at this time.

5. Please advise how many staff have been engaged through labour hire, employment agency arrangements and/or consultancy contracts, for what purpose, for what duration and at what cost as of 31 March 2026. Please use the table format presented below for your response.

**Answer:** No staff were engaged through labour hire, employment agency arrangements and/or consultancy contracts for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

6. Please advise how many **locums** have been employed, for what purpose, duration, and at what cost as of 31 March 2026. Please use the table format presented below for your response.

**Answer:** Not applicable.

7. (a) How many positions were advertised during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026?  
(b) Of the total number advertised in 7(a), how many positions had Special Measures applied?

- (c) Please break down the levels of positions that had Special Measures applied.
- (d) How many positions that had Special Measures applied were not able to be filled against these requirements during this period and required contract or backfilling arrangements?

**Answer:** The response to Questions 7(a) to (c) is set out in Table A below.

**Table A – positions advertised between 1 July 2025 and 31 March 2026**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Number</b>
<b>Positions advertised</b>	<b>277</b>
<b>Positions advertised with Special Measures applied</b>	<b>256</b>
Administrative Officer 3	24
Administrative Officer 4	29
Administrative Officer 5	43
Administrative Officer 6	35
Administrative Officer 6 / Administrative Officer 7 / Technical 5 / Technical 6	1
Administrative Officer 6 / Technical 5	1
Administrative Officer 7	42
Administrative Officer 7 / Professional 3	1
Administrative Officer 7 / Technical 6	3
Executive Contract Officer 1	1
Executive Contract Officer 1 / Senior Administrative Officer 2	3
Executive Contract Officer 2	9
Executive Contract Officer 3	1
Executive Contract Officer 4	2
Professional 3	3
Senior Administrative Officer 1	29
Senior Administrative Officer 1 / Senior Professional Officer 1	2
Senior Administrative Officer 2	16
Senior Administrative Officer 2 / Senior Professional Officer 2	1

(d) Most NT Government agencies have implemented special measures arrangements across the whole agency or for some roles. The process for positions that are advertised with special measures is to consider special measures applicants first. If no special measures applicants apply, or no special measures applicants are considered suitable, recruitment panels may assess all other applicants' suitability for the role.

## OUTSOURCING

8. (a) For the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, detail any decision(s) to outsource, contract out or privatise functions that have traditionally been carried out by the Agency.

**Answer:** No functions traditionally carried out by the Department were outsourced during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

(b) Is consideration being given to outsource, contract-out or privatise any functions in this Department in financial year 2026/27? If so, provide details.

**Answer:** No functions are being considered for outsourcing in 2026-27.

## LEGAL EXPENSES

9. What has been the expenditure on legal advice or related expenses for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026? Provide details on:
- a) The matter(s) (designate which are finalised and which are ongoing)
  - b) The amount paid by matter
  - c) The amount paid to each outside legal firm or barrister engaged

**Answer:**

- a) and (b), the scope of the question is broad and encompasses a complex caseload of legal matters handled by private legal firms, government lawyers and legal service providers. Provision of details in relation to some legal matters has the potential to disclose personal and sensitive information of public

housing tenants and may further prejudice the interests of the Territory and other parties.

- c) for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, legal services expenditure was \$13,129,467. A breakdown of amounts paid in relation to legal services is in the table below.

**Breakdown of legal expenditure for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026**

<b>Legal Matters</b>	<b>1 July 2025 – 31 March 2026 (ex GST)</b>
Barrister and Solicitor Legal Fees and related expenses (inclusive of settlements and judgements)	\$13,052,899
Coronial inquests	\$76,568
<b>Total Legal Expenditure:</b>	<b>\$13,129,467</b>

**PROCUREMENT / CONSULTANCIES**

10. From 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, please detail expenditure on each report and consultancy (excluding annual reports) obtained from outside the NTPS. For each report/consultancy detail:

- a) Purpose
- b) Cost
- c) Person or entity engaged
- d) Whether the person or entity has their principal place of business in the Northern Territory or elsewhere (if elsewhere, please provide the address of the principal place of business of the person or entity)
- e) Whether a report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly as a result of the report or consultancy
- f) Outcomes or key performance indicators for the report or consultancy
- g) Whether tenders or expressions of interest were invited prior to work on the report or consultancy being undertaken

**Answer:**

<b>Tender Number</b>	<b>Purpose (a)</b>	<b>Cost \$ 31 March 2026 (b)</b>	<b>Entity/person engaged (c)</b>	<b>Territory Enterprise (d)</b>	<b>Location (d)</b>	<b>Tabled (e)*</b>	<b>Outcome (f)*</b>	<b>Procurement (g)</b>
25-0164	Remote Housing NT implementation and planning	113,200	Yamagigu Consulting	Yes	Darwin, NT	No	Development of the following governance and reporting mechanisms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation Plan,</li> <li>• Communications and Engagement Strategy</li> <li>• Strategic Risk Plan</li> <li>• Monitoring and Evaluation Framework.</li> </ul>	Purchased off existing contract
NS23-0110	Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program Monitoring and Evaluation Project	96,918	Menzies School of Health Research	Yes	Darwin, NT	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delivery of Monitoring and Evaluation Project</li> </ul>	Purchased off existing partnership agreement.
25-0651	Local Government	69,200.00	BDO Audit (NT)	Yes	Darwin, NT	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stakeholder Reporting &amp; Transparency</li> <li>• Financial Integrity &amp; Assurance</li> <li>• Orderly Financial Closure</li> <li>• Finalisation of Financial Position</li> <li>• Liquidity, Assets &amp; Compliance Management</li> </ul>	Purchased off existing contract
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>279,318</b>						

11. Please advise the number of contracts awarded to business entities with a principal place of business in the NT and outside the NT for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 as follows:

**Answer:**

Number in the NT	Number outside of the NT
8	1

12. For each of the contracts awarded to business entities with a principal place of business outside of the Northern Territory, please advise the selection criteria on the applicable contract or tender.

**Answer:**

Contract	Business Entity	Address	Selection Criteria
Q25-0048	Gravestocks, Robert James, Trading As Caught Red Handed	Austinmer, NSW	Capacity - 25% Local Content – 30% Scope Specific – 15% Timeliness – 15% Price – 15%

13. For Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities, how many public tenders were advertised during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026?

**Answer:**

Tier	Number of Procurement Activities
Tier 3	0
Tier 4	0
Tier 5	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>

14. For Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities, how many contracts or tenders were awarded without undertaking a public tender process during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026?

**Answer:**

Tier	Number of Procurement Activities
Tier 3	1
Tier 4	0
Tier 5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>

15. For each instance identified in the question above, where a public quotation process was not undertaken, including for those with a Certificate of Exemption:

- a) What is the description of the goods and services contracted?
- b) What is the value of the goods and services contracted?
- c) What was the reason for not using the public tender process or for requiring a Certificate of Exemption?
- d) Who recommended the course of action in c) above?
- e) Who approved the course of action in c) above?

**Answer:**

<b>Tender Number</b>	<b>Description of Goods and Services (a)</b>	<b>Awarded value (b)</b>	<b>Reason for Exemption (c)</b>	<b>Recommended by (d)*</b>	<b>Approved by (e)</b>
Q25-0048	Darwin - Provision of IAP2 Remote Engagement Essentials Workshop for a Period of 12 Months	\$78,584.00	Limited suppliers due to technical requirements	n/a	Deputy Chief Executive Officer Corporate, Strategic and Enabling Services

16. Please advise the total number of NTG Corporate Credit Cards within the Agency, including the position titles and levels of the staff holding the corporate credit cards for purchasing goods and/or services as of 31 March 2026?

**Answer:** As of 31 March 2026, there were 19 credit card holders in Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development. Details are below.

<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Position Classification</b>
Administration Support Officer	AO3
Administration Support Officer	AO4
Business Support Officer	AO4
Tenancy Contract Officer Barkly	AO5
Administration Officer	AO5
Regional Project Officer	AO6
Executive Support Officer	AO6
Business Support Officer	AO6

<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Position Classification</b>
HPI Project Officer	AO6
Project Officer	AO6
Senior Business Services Officer	AO6
Regional Finance Support Officer	AO6
Executive Officer	AO6
Team Leader Compliance	AO7
Business Manager	AO7
Snr Regional Project Officer	AO7
Snr Homelands Admin Officer	AO7
Community Development Manager	SAO1
Manager Housing Property Services	SAO1

17. For each contract awarded to a non-Territory enterprise:

- a) Was a Territory enterprise shortlisted? If not, why not?
- b) What weighting was given to local content?
- c) Did the procurement process include a local industry participation requirement?

**Answer:**

<b>Contract</b>	<b>TE shortlisted</b>	<b>Local Content Weighting</b>	<b>Local Industry Participation Requirement</b>
Q25-0048	No. Reasons for not shortlisting are commercial-in-confidence	30%	No, Less than \$5M

18. What percentage of total procurement spend was awarded to:

- a) Interstate businesses
- b) International businesses

**Answer:**

<b>Business location</b>	<b>Percentage of total procurement spend</b>
Interstate businesses	0.12%
International businesses	0%

## FOCUS GROUPS / POLLING / SURVEYS

For the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026:

19. Please detail expenditure on opinion polls and focus groups, including costs and entities that conducted the work.

**Answer:** No expenditure was incurred on opinion polls and focus groups for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

20. Detail all surveys undertaken in relation to the focus groups and opinion polls above, including their form, the cost and the inducements that were provided to incentivise participation.

**Answer:** Not applicable.

21. Please provide copies of each survey and the results of each survey.

**Answer:** Not applicable.

## COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING

22. Please detail expenditure on advertising and communications during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

For each advertisement for which an expense was incurred:

- a) What was the purpose/description of the advertisement?
- b) Who was the advertisement placed with, i.e., media outlet, newspaper, television station, digital platform, or other?
- c) What was the total production cost, including, but not limited to, design, commissions, and placement costs?
- d) Were tenders or expressions of interest called? If not, why not?
- e) Did the agency enter into any separate arrangements for advertising placements or advertorials? If so, please provide details of expenditures and media outlets.

**Answer:**

The Department's expenditure on advertising and communications for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 was \$245,853.

The amount of administrative effort required to provide a detailed breakdown of advertisement costs is excessive and would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.

**TRAVEL**

23. Please provide the total expenditure and itemised details of travel, including, but not limited to, travel-related costs such as accommodation, travel allowance, entertainment, car rental, meals and incidentals, in each Agency and authority during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 broken down to:

- a) International Travel
- b) Interstate Travel
- c) Intrastate Travel

**Answer:**

<b>Destination</b>	<b>2025-26 (as at 31 March 2026)</b>
Intra-territory	\$1,346,000
Interstate	\$30,000
International	0
<b>Total Travel Expenditure</b>	<b>\$1,376,000</b>

24. In the case of international travel identified in response to the question above, please provide the purpose, itinerary, persons and costs involved in each trip.

**Answer:** Not applicable.

25. Please provide itemised details and costs of all travel undertaken by the Minister that was paid for by the Agency or authority, including travel on charters during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

**Answer:** Nil.

26. Please provide itemised details and costs of all travel undertaken by any Assistant Minister that was paid for by the Agency or authority, including travel on charters during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

**Answer:** Nil.

## HOSPITALITY / FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS

27. Please provide full details of all official hospitality provided for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

In relation to each occasion where official hospitality was provided:

- a) What was the purpose of the hospitality?
- b) How many guests attended?
- c) How many Ministers attended?
- d) How many Ministerial staff attended?
- e) How many MLAs attended?
- f) How many Public Sector employees attended?
- g) What was the total cost incurred?

**Answer:**

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development provided one instance of official hospitality during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

a) What was the purpose of the hospitality?	Hosting of the 2025 National Conference of the Local Government Grants Commission.
b) How many guests attended?	32 attendees
c) How many Ministers attended?	Zero
d) How many Ministerial staff attended?	Zero
e) How many MLAs attended?	Zero
f) How many Public Sector employees attended?	7
g) What was the total cost incurred?	\$2,004 excl. GST

## GRANTS, SPONSORSHIPS, DONATIONS AND INCENTIVES

28. Please detail expenditure on grants, sponsorships, donations and incentives paid by your Agency (including the recipient of each payment) during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, including agency budget totals to administer such programs.

### Answer:

- 2025-26 grant expenditure to organisations to 31 March 2026 is \$223.3M. Table 1 provides detail of payments by recipient organisation.
- 2025-26 expenditure on sponsorships, awards and incentives to 31 March 2026 is \$22,359 is provided at Table 2 provides detail of these payments.

**Table 1: Grants by Organisation**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Amount Ex GST</b>
Aboriginal Enterprises Australia (NT) Pty Ltd	\$7,879,949
Adjumarllarl Aboriginal Corporation	\$20,700
Alice Springs Town Council	\$1,188,281
Anglicare N.T. Ltd.	\$150,000
Anindilyakwa Housing Aboriginal Corporation	\$2,808,530
Barkly Regional Council	\$7,154,291
Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation	\$2,279,965
Belyuen Community Government Council	\$218,051
Blatherskite Park Trustees	\$296,395
Canteen Creek Owairtilla Aboriginal Corporation	\$238,750
Central Australian Affordable Housing Company Ltd	\$2,208,340
Central Desert Regional Council	\$8,545,521
Chambers Trade Services Pty Ltd	\$96,613
City Of Darwin	\$1,913,061
City of Palmerston	\$1,594,200
Coomalie Community Government Council	\$1,090,368
Deltareef Pty Ltd	\$228,289
Demed Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,751,918
Desert Knowledge Australia	\$511,818
Dice (Aust) Pty Ltd	\$1,012,172
East Arnhem Regional Council	\$8,922,391
Ekistica Pty Ltd	\$200,000
Groote Archipelago Regional Council	\$2,965,204
Gundjeihmi Aboriginal Corporation	\$150,000
Indigenous Essential Services Pty Ltd	\$74,794,966
Ingkerreke Services Aboriginal Corporation	\$7,938,442
Jabiru Golf Club Incorporated	\$15,000
Jawoyn Association Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,316,307

Julalikari Council Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,181,855
Kalano Community Association Incorporated	\$839,740
Katherine Town Council	\$653,510
Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,657,741
Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation	\$2,001,402
LGANT Ltd	\$892,694
Litchfield Council	\$1,588,947
M. & C. Fior Constructions Pty Ltd	\$2,277,000
M.G. Electrical Services Pty Ltd	\$346,210
Mabunji Aboriginal Resource Indigenous Corporation	\$2,555,541
MacDonnell Regional Council	\$9,500,474
Marthakal Homelands and Resource Centre Aboriginal Corporation	\$3,839,034
McMinns Bore Services Pty Ltd	\$68,376
Milingimbi And Outstations Progress Resources Aboriginal Corporation	\$407,760
Murin Association Inc	\$1,387,903
Mutitjulu Community Aboriginal Corporation	\$391,550
Ngaliwurru-Wuli Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,376,590
Ngurratjuta/Pmara Ntjarra Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,529,794
Nhulunbuy Corporation Limited	\$17,000
Northern Building And Property Services Pty Ltd	\$300,000
Numbulwar Homelands Council Association Inc	\$311,020
Quality Plumbing & Building Contractors Pty Ltd	\$338,880
Robbie Robbins Reserve	\$75,000
Roper Gulf Regional Council	\$9,630,043
Sonwane Pty Ltd	\$1,502,500
St Vincent De Paul Society (NT) Inc	\$150,000
Tangentyere Council Aboriginal Corporation	\$2,064,800
Thangkenharenge Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,129,990
The Trustee for Dinybulu Regional Services Trust	\$542,710
The Trustee for Nhulunbuy Public Cemetery Trust	\$10,000
The Trustee for The Brian Curran Family Trust	\$3,954,386
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	\$4,400,464
Tiwi Land Council	\$360,000
Tjuwanpa Outstation Resource Centre (Aboriginal Corporation)	\$1,093,623
Urapuntja Aboriginal Corporation	\$2,484,707
Venture Housing Company Limited	\$3,159,870
Victoria Daly Regional Council	\$3,455,106
Wagait Shire Council	\$356,079
Warddeken Land Management Limited	\$21,427
Warnbi Aboriginal Corporation - Kakadu	\$1,014,650
West Arnhem Regional Council	\$7,174,004
West Daly Regional Council	\$4,740,699
Yapa-Kurlangu Ngurrara Aboriginal Corporation	\$1,363,723
Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation	\$3,663,869

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$223,300,193</b>
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**Table 2: Sponsorships, Awards and Incentives**

<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute	National Housing Conference	\$10,000
Local Government Association of the Northern Territory	Local Government Awards	\$5,000
Senior Public Housing Tenants	Christmas Cakes and Cards	\$4,284
Households / Staff	Gift vouchers	\$3,075
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$22,359</b>

29. Please detail the funds utilised to distribute awards and sponsorships in the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, and to what activities. Please list details of any contract periods as part of any arrangement.

**Answer:**

- \$10,000 sponsorship for the Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute (AHURI) National Housing Conference.
- \$5,000 sponsorship for the 2025-26 Local Government Awards hosted by the Local Government Association NT.
- \$3,075 gift vouchers for public housing tenant Pride in Your Place award winners and recognising staff long service milestones.

30. Indicate which awards and sponsorships were managed by Regional Offices. What is anticipated for the 2026/27 financial year?

**Answer:**

Pride in Your Place Awards are nominated by Regional Offices.

The Department anticipates continuing the Pride in Your Place Awards for public housing tenants in 2026-27.

31. Please detail the amounts paid on grants, donations and incentives to non-Government organisations for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, including to which organisation and the services to be provided?

**Answer:**

No donations or incentives were provided to non-Government organisations for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

Grants to non-Government organisations for the period are set out in Table 1 below.

**Table 1 – grants to non-Government organisations for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 and the services provided**

<b>Organisation and Program</b>	<b>Amount Ex GST</b>
<b>Aboriginal Enterprises Australia (NT) Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$7,879,949</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - CLC - 2024-2027	\$1,350,000
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Comprehensive Response Projects - NLC Region	\$650,000
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$2,862,000
HHIP - Utopia Homelands Housing Upgrades	\$1,450,000
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$22,853
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,545,096
<b>Adjumarllarl Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$20,700</b>
Jabiru Women's safe house 2024-2026 (Future of Jabiru)	\$20,700
<b>Anglicare NT Ltd</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>
Delivery of 2025/2026 Administrative Support for Barkly GT/BRD	\$150,000
<b>Anindilyakwa Housing Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$2,808,530</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - ALC - 2024-2027	\$1,100,000
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Comprehensive Response Projects - ALC Region	\$810,000
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Rapid Response Projects	\$100,000
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$798,530
<b>Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$2,279,965</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$606,700

Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,673,265
<b>Blatherskite Park Trustees</b>	<b>\$296,395</b>
One Off Grant	\$36,395
Reserves and Other Organisations	\$260,000
<b>Canteen Creek Owairtilla Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$238,750</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$238,750
<b>Central Australian Affordable Housing Company Ltd</b>	<b>\$2,208,340</b>
Development and Funding Agreement - Community Housing Central Australia - Kilgariff 4 Dwellings	\$1,210,000
Social Housing Accelerator Payment	\$998,340
<b>Chambers Trade Services Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$96,613</b>
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$96,613
<b>Deltareef Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$228,289</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$228,289
<b>Demed Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$1,751,918</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Comprehensive Response Projects - NLC Region	\$700,000
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$331,800
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$720,118
<b>Desert Knowledge Australia</b>	<b>\$511,818</b>
Operational and maintenance funding	\$511,818
<b>Dice (Aust) Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$1,012,172</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Gilwi	\$882,000
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$66,422
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$63,750
<b>Ekistica Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>
Water for Homelands - A model for delivery of safe and sustainable water supplies	\$200,000
<b>Gundjeihmi Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>
Jabiru Airport Study 2025-2026	\$150,000
<b>Indigenous Essential Services Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$74,794,966</b>
Provision of Essential Services to Nominated Aboriginal Communities 2019-2021	\$74,794,966
<b>Ingkerreke Services Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$7,938,442</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - CLC - 2024-2027	\$1,470,000
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Comprehensive Response Projects - CLC Region	\$2,377,000
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$4,091,442
<b>Jabiru Golf Club Incorporated</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
Jabiru Golf Club transformation design and upgrades 2025- 2026	\$15,000
<b>Jawoyn Association Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$1,316,307</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$853,500

Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$462,807
<b>Julalikari Council Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$1,181,855</b>
Financial Support Barkly Region	\$795,455
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$386,400
<b>Kalano Community Association Incorporated</b>	<b>\$839,740</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$839,740
<b>Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$1,657,741</b>
Day Patrol	\$1,357,741
Return to Country	\$300,000
<b>Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$2,001,402</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$583,700
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$72,635
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,345,067
<b>LGANT Ltd</b>	<b>\$892,694</b>
Financial Assistance Grants - Roads	\$883,944
One Off Grant	\$8,750
<b>M &amp; C Fior Constructions Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$2,277,000</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - CLC - 2024-2027	\$537,000
HHIP - Mulga Bore and Angula Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Upgrades	\$1,600,000
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$140,000
<b>MG Electrical Services Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$346,210</b>
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$346,210
<b>Mabunji Aboriginal Resource Indigenous Corporation</b>	<b>\$2,555,541</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$301,000
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$2,254,541
<b>Marthakal Homelands and Resource Centre Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$3,839,034</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Comprehensive Response Projects - NLC Region	\$2,506,000
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$304,000
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,029,034
<b>Mcmanns Bore Services Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$68,376</b>
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$16,820
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$51,556
<b>Milingimbi And Outstations Progress Resources Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$407,760</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$407,760
<b>Murin Association Inc</b>	<b>\$1,387,903</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$539,400
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$185,021

Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$663,482
<b>Mutitjulu Community Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$391,550</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$391,550
<b>Ngaliwurru-Wuli Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$1,376,590</b>
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$35,000
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,341,590
<b>Ngurratjuta/Pmara Ntjarra Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$1,529,794</b>
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$140,176
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,389,618
<b>Nhulunbuy Corporation Limited</b>	<b>\$17,000</b>
Regional Priorities - Arnhem	\$17,000
<b>Northern Building And Property Services Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>
HHIP - Numbulwar Cluster Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Upgrades	\$300,000
<b>Numbulwar Homelands Council Association Inc</b>	<b>\$311,020</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$311,020
<b>Quality Plumbing &amp; Building Contractors Pty Ltd</b>	<b>\$338,880</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$338,880
<b>Robbie Robbins Reserve</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>
Reserves and Other Organisations	\$75,000
<b>Sonwane Pty Limited</b>	<b>\$1,502,500</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Oak Valley, Phillipson Bore & West Waterhouse	\$1,502,500
<b>St Vincent De Paul Society (NT) Inc</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>
St Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP) - Capital Grant Agreement for planning works at 2 Westralia Street, Stuart Park	\$150,000
<b>Tangentyere Council Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$2,064,800</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,864,800
Return to Country 2024-25	\$200,000
<b>Thangkenhareng Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$1,129,990</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - CLC - 2024-2027	\$827,500
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$302,490
<b>The Trustee for Dinybulu Regional Services Trust (Trading as Dinybulu Regional Services)</b>	<b>\$542,710</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$50,000
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$492,710
<b>The Trustee for NHULUNBUY PUBLIC CEMETERY TRUST</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
Reserves and Other Organisations	\$10,000
<b>The Trustee for The Brian Curran Family Trust (Trading as Territory Water Solutions)</b>	<b>\$3,954,386</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Comprehensive Response Projects - CLC Region	\$959,000

HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Response Schedule – HHIP – Wiitin and Mungalawurru Upgrades	\$360,000
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$392,374
HHIP - Water Infrastructure Upgrade - Barkly	\$667,500
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$55,845
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,519,667
<b>Tjuwanpa Outstation Resource Centre (Aboriginal Corporation)</b>	<b>\$1,093,623</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - CLC - 2024-2027	\$315,000
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$21,833
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$756,790
<b>Urapuntja Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$2,484,707</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - CLC - 2024-2027	\$90,000
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$84,000
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$2,310,707
<b>Venture Housing Company Limited</b>	<b>\$3,159,870</b>
BRD - Tennant Creek Project - Venture	\$76,431
Social Housing Accelerator Payment	\$3,083,439
<b>Warddeken Land Management Limited</b>	<b>\$21,427</b>
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$21,427
<b>Warnbi Aboriginal Corporation - Kakadu</b>	<b>\$1,014,650</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$130,500
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$24,290
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$859,860
<b>Yapa-Kurlangu Ngurrara Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$1,363,723</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - CLC - 2024-2027	\$430,000
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - Comprehensive Response Projects - CLC Region	\$110,000
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$255,218
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$32,395
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$536,110
<b>Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation</b>	<b>\$3,663,869</b>
HHIP - Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program - NLC - 2024-2027	\$2,024,000
HHIP - NT Wide Initiatives Program	\$65,000
Homelands Capital Emergency 2025/26	\$53,028
Homelands Housing Municipal and Essential Services 2025-26	\$1,521,841
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$147,849,499</b>

## **MEDIA MONITORING SERVICES**

32. Provide expenditure details on media monitoring services for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 (including entities engaged and who utilises the service).

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to question 32 will be provided by the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

33. How many projects have been submitted or are in the process of being submitted to Infrastructure Australia or Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF) to be considered for the Infrastructure Priority List?

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to question 33 will be provided by the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure.

34. Please provide details of newly committed projects for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to question 34 will be provided by the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure.

35. Please provide details of contracts awarded to interstate firms, the purpose of the contract, the cost, and why a territory firm was not chosen.

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to question 35 will be provided by the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure.

## **GOVERNMENT LEASED BUILDINGS**

36. What is the total annual power bill of each Government building owned/leased/used by this Department for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026?

**Answer:** For the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, the total expenditure on power for each building for which the Department is the

anchor tenant is set out below.

Location	Amount \$
CasCom Centre	55,671.15
Jacana House	30,479.41
RCG Centre	17,973.72
Barkly Office	2,750.45
Highway House	582.55
Mwerre House	480.66
	<b><u>107,937.94</u></b>

37. What is the total annual leased space of each Government building used by this Agency/authority and at what cost for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026?

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to question 37 will be provided by the Department of Corporate and Digital Development.

38. How much Government owned or leased premises or office space is currently under-utilised (at less than 100 per cent occupied) or vacant?

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to question 38 will be provided by the Department of Corporate and Digital Development.

39. Please detail all expenditure for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 incurred by the Agency on repairs, maintenance or replacement of assets as a direct result of:

- a) Vandalism
- b) Theft
- c) Property damage associated with criminal activity

**Answer:** The total recorded expenditure relating to criminal damage to housing assets for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 is \$1,767,917.91.

The Department does not separately record items against the categories outlined in the question.

40. For each instance:

- a) Nature of damage
- b) Location/ region (table)
- c) Cost

**Answer:** The table below outlines the total recorded expenditure per region relating to criminal damage to housing assets for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

<b>Region</b>	<b>Cost \$</b>
<b>Central Australia</b>	621,697.97
<b>Barkly Region</b>	106,432.51
<b>Big Rivers</b>	197,786.99
<b>Top End</b>	599,174.87
<b>Greater Darwin Region</b>	242,825.57
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,767,917.91</b>

41. What preventative measures has the Agency implemented to reduce crime-related damage to assets?

**Answer:** Public Housing Safety Officers have contributed to significant frontline activity across the Territory, including proactive patrols, direct intervention in antisocial behaviour (ASB) incidents, alcohol enforcement, issuing trespass notices, and removing unsafe or unauthorised individuals from public housing premises. These activities contribute to reducing ASB, crime risk, property damage, and vandalism to assets.

The Department is working closely with NT Police through the transition of Public Housing Safety Officer functions to Police Public Safety Officers, and with other agencies, to support safer neighbourhoods across the Territory.

The Department also undertakes Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) reviews for public housing assets to support increased security in areas affected by crime and ASB. CPTED outputs can include improved lighting and passive surveillance of public housing complexes that decrease opportunities for vandalism and property damage.

## FEES AND CHARGES

42. Please detail the statutory or legislative fees and charges levied by your Agency/authority, the revenue raised in the 2025/26 financial year and whether any of these fees and charges were increased following the 2026 budget.

**Answer:** The Agency's statutory and legislated fees and charges from 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 are summarised below.

**Table 1: DHLGCD statutory and legislated fees and charges from 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026**

Rate Type	Revenue as at 31 March 2026
Urban Public Housing – Rent Charge	\$32,085,981
Remote Public Housing – Rent Charge	\$43,795,480
Rates levied under the <i>Northern Territory Rates Act 1971</i>	\$3,454,705
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$79,336,166</b>

- **Urban Public Housing - Gazetted Rental Rates**

The tables below detail the current rental rates for urban public housing.

CASUARINA												
	Bedsitter	1 Bedroom Flat	1 Bedroom Unit/Duplex	2 Bedroom Unit	2 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Townhouse	3 Bedroom Unit	3 Bedroom Duplex	3 Bedroom House	4 Bedroom House	5 Bedroom House	6 Bedroom House
Location	Rent per week (\$)											
Alawa									475			
Anula									465	500		
Karama			280	330		365		415	465	500		
Leanyer			280	330			425		475	520		
Lyons				330								
Malak			280	330	385	365			465	500	525	
Marrara				330								
Nakara									465	500		
Tiwi			280	330					475	520	550	575
Wagaman	250	280	280	330					475	520		
Wanguri		280				370			475	520		
Wulagi									475	520		

DARWIN														
Location	1 Bedroom Flat	1 Bedroom Unit	1 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Flat	2 Bedroom Unit	2 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom House	2 Bedroom Townhouse	3 Bedroom Unit	3 Bedroom Duplex	3 Bedroom House	4 Bedroom House	5 Bedroom House	8 Bedroom House
	Rent per week (\$)													
Berrimah		250	275		375	375	300		500	500	440	500		
C/Grove	250	280		330	330			365				525		
Darwin City	300			340										
Fannie Bay		300			340									
Jingili											475	520		
Larrakeyah		300			340									
Ludmilla					330			380			475	520		
Millner		280			330	385					475	600		
Moil			280		330						475	520		
Nightcliff	260				340			375			500	550		
Parap	300	300		340				375			500	550		
Rapid Creek		280		350	330		450		425		475	520	550	600
Stuart Park	295	300			340	395		375		450	500			
The Gardens		300			330			365						
The Narrows	280	280		340	330						475			

PALMERSTON												
Location	1 Bedroom Flat/Unit	1 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Unit	2 Bedroom House	2 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Townhouse	3 Bedroom Unit/Duplex	3 bedroom Townhouse	3 Bedroom House	4 Bedroom House	5 Bedroom House	
	Rent per week (\$)											
Adelaide River			300	300					305			
Bakewell	250		300			350						
Batchelor	180		215	300					305	330		
Bellamack	250		300		385		395					
Coolalinga												
Driver	250		300				395		425	450		
Farrar	250						395	395				
Gray	250		300	415		350			425	450		
Howard Springs									400		425	
Humpty Doo					385							
Jabiru												
Johnston			300		385		395					
Moulden	250		300	415			395		425	450		
Rosebery	250	275	300		385							
Woodroffe	250	275	300	415	385	350			425	450		
Zuccoli		275			385							

ALICE SPRINGS															
Location	Hall/Cabin Community centre	1 Bedroom Flat/Unit	1 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Unit	2 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Townhouse	2 Bedroom House	3 Bedroom Unit	3 Bedroom Duplex	3 Bedroom Townhouse	3 Bedroom House	4 Bedroom Unit	4 Bedroom House	5 Bedroom House	6 Bedroom House
	Rent per week (\$)														
Alice Springs		250													
Araluen		250	300		350		415				430		450		
Braitling		250		300		325					430		450		
Eastside		250					415				430		450		470
Gillen	100	250		300		325				350	430		450		
Larapinta		250	300	300	350			375			430		450		
Sadadeen		250				325					430		450		470
The Gap	100	250		300		325	415				430		450	460	
Ti-Tree											300				
Kilgariff		250		300				375				385	450		
Ilpara	100														

KATHERINE									
Location	1 Bedroom Flat/Unit	1 Bedroom Duplex	1 Bedroom Townhouse	2 Bedroom Unit	2 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Townhouse	2 Bedroom House	3 Bedroom House	4 Bedroom House
	Rent per week (\$)								
Borroloola		250		300				375	450
Katherine East	250			300		325	350	375	450
Katherine North	250			300				375	450
Katherine South	250			300	325	325	350	375	450
Mataranka				260					
Pine Creek	215			260	260			325	

TENNANT CREEK													
Location	Hall/Cabin Community centre	1 Bedroom Unit	1 Bedroom Duplex	1 Bedroom House	2 Bedroom Unit	2 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Townhouse	2 Bedroom House	3 Bedroom Unit	3 Bedroom Duplex	3 Bedroom House	4 Bedroom House	5 Bedroom House
	Rent per week (\$)												
Tennant Creek	100	300			320		400				450	500	
Elliott						260					350	400	

NHULUNBUY							
Location	1 Bedroom Flat	1 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Flat	2 Bedroom Duplex	3 Bedroom House	3 Bedroom Duplex	4 Bedroom House
	Rent per week (\$)						
Nhulunbuy	300	325	400	450	550	525	650

- **Remote Public Housing - Gazetted Rental Rates**

The tables below detail the current rental rates for remote public housing.

REMOTE RENT				
Location	Rent per week (\$)			
	#of bedrooms			
	1	2	3	4 <sup>1</sup>
Remote Communities, and Tennant Creek Community Living Areas	70	140	210	280 <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Remote rent is capped at \$280 for a 4 bedrooms premises or above.

ALICE SPRINGS TOWN CAMPS (Excluding Ilpeye Ilpeye)									
Location	Maximum dwelling rent per week (\$)								
	1 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom Duplex	2 Bedroom House	3 Bedroom Duplex	3 Bedroom House	4 Bedroom Duplex	4 Bedroom House	5 Bedroom House	6 Bedroom House
Alice Springs town camps (other than Ilpeye Ilpeye)	210	245	290	265	300	275	315	325	330

- **Rates levied under *Northern Territory Rates Act 1971***

The table below details the rates applicable for 2025-26 under the *Northern Territory Rates Act 1971*.

<b>Rate Type</b>	<b>2025-26</b>
Residential	Fixed rate of \$364.37 plus Valuation based rate of 0.5909670% *Minimum rate is \$1388
Commercial	Valuation based rate of 0.758356% *Minimum rate is \$1447
Industrial	Valuation based rate of 0.551019% *Minimum rate is \$1447

## **INTERNAL AUDITS**

43. How many internal audits and financial investigations were conducted in the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026?

**Answer:** No internal audits or financial investigations were conducted during the period.

44. What were the terms of reference or focus for each investigation?

**Answer:** No internal audits or financial investigations were conducted during the period.

45. Please provide details of any fraud, anomalies, breaches of financial legislation or Northern Territory Government policy and procedures exposed by the audits and financial investigations.

**Answer:** No internal audits or financial investigations were conducted by the agency during the period.

46. How many agencies have been referred to existing bodies, e.g. Integrity and Ethics Commissioner /Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), and how?

**Answer:** Agencies would not be privy to details of referrals made to Independent Statutory Officers.

47. How many have been resolved? Please detail the agency referred to, the date of referral and the date resolved, including those with multiple referrals.

**Answer:** Agencies would not be privy to details of referrals made to Independent Statutory Officers.

## BOARDS / ADVISORY BODIES

48. Please detail all boards and advisory bodies in your Agency in 2025/26, also providing the following information:

- a) The Terms of Reference, if changed since the election.
- b) The current members and when they were appointed

**Answer:** Table 1 below lists all the Boards and advisory bodies, the current members and when they were appointed. None of the Terms of Reference for these bodies have changes since the August 2024 election.

***Table 1. Boards and advisory bodies in the Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development in 2025-26, their current members and dates of appointment***

<b>BOARD / ADVISORY BODIES</b>	<b>Current members - when they were appointed</b>
AILERON RACECOURSE RESERVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Mr Gregory Dick – 10/08/2005 Mr Roy Chisholm – 30/04/2018 Mr Matthew McCarthy – 30/04/2018 Mr James Christian – 30/04/2018 Mr Gary Dann – 10/08/2005
BLATHERSKITE PARK BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Ms Katherine Knappstein – 12/05/2021 Mr Harry Cook – 08/01/2011 Mr Craig Markham – 12/05/2021 Mr Benjamin Crawford – 04/05/2022
DALY WATERS RODEO RESERVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Mr Desmond Carey – 15/02/2021 Ms Emma Brown – 15/02/2021 Ms Emilie-Rose Carey – 15/02/2021 Mrs Kimberley Harries – 01/11/2018 Mr John Harries – 01/11/2018 Mr Adrian Brown – 15/02/2021
DESERT KNOWLEDGE AUSTRALIA	Ms Seraphine Bray – 01/07/2022 Mr Chris Croker – 17/11/2020 Mr Cail Rayment – 05/02/2024 Mr Ashley Marsh – 05/02/2024

<b>BOARD / ADVISORY BODIES</b>	<b>Current members - when they were appointed</b>
	Ms Mandy Taylor – 01/07/2022 Mr Gary Powell – 17/11/2020 Mrs Dawn Ross – 17/11/2020 Mr Christopher Fry – 01/04/2016
LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE	No current members
NT GRANTS COMMISSION	Mr Russell Anderson – 17/05/2023 Mr Brian Pedwell – 17/05/2023 Ms Beck Stavrou – 12/12/2025 Ms Joanna Holden – 23/01/2026
PUBLIC HOUSING APPEALS BOARD	No current members
OLIVE PINK BOTANIC GARDENS BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Ms Frances Kilgariff – 18/09/2018 Ms Sarah Fairhead – 18/09/2018 Ms Alice Eileen de Brenni – 19/10/2019 Mr Scott Pullyblank – 18/09/2018 Dr Fiona Walsh – 08/06/2022
ROBBIE ROBBINS RESERVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Mr John McLaren – 06/01/2010 Mrs Marguerite Gayosa – 31/03/1998 Mrs Joan Hassell – 25/05/1995 Mr William Josephs – 28/08/2006 Mr Bruce Bremner – 15/01/2013

49. The number of times the Board met during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

**Answer:**

<b>BOARD / ADVISORY BODIES</b>	<b>NUMBER OF TIMES MET</b>
AILERON RACECOURSE RESERVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	0
BLATHERSKITE PARK BOARD OF TRUSTEES	5
DALY WATERS RODEO RESERVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	0
DESERT KNOWLEDGE AUSTRALIA	2
LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE	0
NT GRANTS COMMISSION	3
PUBLIC HOUSING APPEALS BOARD	0
OLIVE PINK BOTANIC GARDENS BOARD OF TRUSTEES	7
ROBBIE ROBBINS RESERVE BOARD OF TRUSTEES	2

## REVIEWS AND INQUIRIES

50. Details of all reviews and inquiries completed or commenced since 1 July 2025, also providing the following information:

- a) The Terms of Reference
- b) The criteria for selection of all panel members
- c) The composition, qualifications and state or Territory of residence of the persons undertaking the review/inquiry
- d) The cost of the review/inquiry
- e) How the information was/is accumulated to contribute to the review/inquiry
- f) If completed, when, the outcome and whether the report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly
- g) If not completed when this is expected

**Answer:** DHLGCD has not completed or commenced any formal reviews or inquiries between 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

51. Please provide a comprehensive list of all:

- a) Policies.
- b) Procedures.
- c) Guidelines.
- d) Discussion papers.
- e) Briefing papers.
- f) Reports.
- g) Reviews.
- h) Media releases.
- i) Internal communications intended for external publication.
- j) Submissions to Federal Parliamentary Inquiries and other inquiries by Independent Agencies.
- k) Responses to reviews and inquiries issued or updated between 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

**Answer:** Reports, findings and associated materials arising from official government reviews and inquiries, where appropriate are made publicly available. Such material is typically published on relevant agency websites, subject to applicable legislative, policy and confidentiality requirements.

52. For each document listed:

- a) Date of issue.
- b) Whether publicly released.
- c) If not publicly released, why not.

**Answer:** Reports, findings and associated materials arising from official government reviews and inquiries, where appropriate are made publicly available. Such material is typically published on relevant agency websites, subject to applicable legislative, policy and confidentiality requirements.

## **WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY**

53. Please provide the number, nature and cost of reportable safety issues for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

**Answer:** For the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026:

- There were 220 incidents reported that led to or could have led to a physical or psychological injury, illness or disease, or where property and/or equipment was damaged. This excludes hazards and near misses.
- No incidents met NT WorkSafe's definition of 'notifiable incidents' for the purposes of section 35 of the *WHS (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011*.
- The level of administrative effort required to determine the costs of reportable safety issues is excessive and would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.

54. Please detail the number of stress-related matters and claims for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026.

**Answer:** For the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, 3 new stress-related claims were received.

## **REGIONAL OFFICES**

55. Please detail expenditure on staff located in regional offices across the Territory. Include the number of staff, their functions and outcomes achieved since 1 July 2025. What are the locations for which they are responsible?

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development operates decentralised footprint offering critical support services, including remote housing maintenance, local governance, and interpreter and translation services across the Territory.

**Table 1. Agency staff (Headcount) by location as at 31 March 2026**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
Darwin and Palmerston	505
Alice Springs	118
Alyangula	1
Angurugu	6
Daly River (Nauiyu)	1
Galiwinku	2
Gunbalanya (Oenpelli)	1
Jabiru	1
Katherine	62
Lajamanu (Hooker Ck)	1
Maningrida	9
Mataranka	1
Milikapiti-Snake Bay	1
Ngukurr-Roper River	1
Nhulunbuy	47
Outside the NT	1
Pirlangimpi	1
Ramingining	1
Tennant Creek	32
Umbakumba	4
Wadeye-Port Keats	8
Wurrumiyanga (Nguiu)	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>808</b>

## **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

56. What policies and procedures are in place to identify, declare and manage conflicts of interest in:

- a) Procurement processes
- b) Grant allocation processes

**Answer:** Each agency is responsible for managing and reviewing declared conflicts of interest in accordance with the agency's own conflict of interest policy.

All NT Government employees and officers are bound by the NT Public Sector Code of Conduct, established under the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993 (NT).

Employment Instruction 12 provides the Code of Conduct for the Northern Public Sector (Clause 5.4. Conflict of Interest)  
<https://ocpe.nt.gov.au/media/documents/employment-law/employment-instructions-and-commissioners-guidelines/code-of-conduct-for-the-northern-territory-public-sector.pdf>.

57. How many conflicts of interest were declared in the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 in:

- a) Procurement.
- b) Grants programs.

**Answer:**

All NT Government employees and officers are bound by the NT Public Sector Code of Conduct, established under the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993 (NT).

Employment Instruction 12 provides the Code of Conduct for the Northern Public Sector (Clause 5.4. Conflict of Interest)  
<https://ocpe.nt.gov.au/media/documents/employment-law/employment-instructions-and-commissioners-guidelines/code-of-conduct-for-the-northern-territory-public-sector.pdf>.

58. For each declared conflict of interest:

- a) What mitigation measures were implemented?
- b) Was the individual excluded from decision-making?

**Answer:**

All NT Government employees and officers are bound by the NT Public Sector Code of Conduct, established under the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993 (NT).

Employment Instruction 12 provides the Code of Conduct for the Northern Public Sector (Clause 5.4. Conflict of Interest)  
<https://ocpe.nt.gov.au/media/documents/employment-law/employment-instructions-and-commissioners-guidelines/code-of-conduct-for-the-northern-territory-public-sector.pdf>.

59. Were any breaches of conflict-of-interest policies identified? If so:

- a) Provide details.
- b) What actions were taken?

**Answer:**

All NT Government employees and officers are bound by the **NT Public Sector Code of Conduct**, established under the *Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993* (NT).

Employment Instruction 12 provides the Code of Conduct for the Northern Public Sector (Clause 5.4. Conflict of Interest)

<https://ocpe.nt.gov.au/media/documents/employment-law/employment-instructions-and-commissioners-guidelines/code-of-conduct-for-the-northern-territory-public-sector.pdf>.

60. Are conflict-of-interest declarations independently audited or reviewed? If so, by whom? Please provide copies of any conflict-of-interest guidelines, policies or training materials used by the Agency.

**Answer:** Each agency is responsible for managing and reviewing declared conflicts of interest in accordance with the agency's own conflict of interest policy

## **OPERATIONAL SAVINGS**

61. Please identify all savings measures implemented by the Agency to contribute to the Government's \$20 million per annum, per agency operational savings target, including:

- a) Description of each measure
- b) Estimated savings
- c) Actual savings achieved to date

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual parameters applied at each budget

62. Please identify any reductions in:

- a) Staffing
- b) Programs
- c) Service delivery resulting from these savings measures.

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and

Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual parameters applied at each budget.

63. What impact assessments were undertaken prior to implementing these savings?

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual parameters applied at each budget.

64. Have any services been reduced, delayed or discontinued as a result of these savings measures? If so, provide details.

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual parameters applied at each budget.

65. What reductions have been made in the following categories:

- a) Consultancies
- b) Travel
- c) Communications and marketing
- d) Other discretionary spending

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual parameters applied at each budget.

66. Please quantify how much has been saved in each of the above categories.

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual

parameters applied at each budget.

67. Please provide any internal reports or advice identifying service delivery risks within the Agency for 2025–26.

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual parameters applied at each budget.

68. Please identify any programs or services where demand exceeded available funding or capacity.

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual parameters applied at each budget.

69. Please provide details of any projects or programs delayed due to budget constraints or resourcing issues.

**Answer:** The Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development's contribution to the \$20 million whole-of-government savings equated to 1.1% of its budget and was applied as an efficiency dividend across the agency consistent with usual parameters applied at each budget.

## **COST PRESSURES**

70. What specific programs, policies or initiatives, for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 has the Agency implemented or contributed to in the reporting period to reduce cost of living pressures for Territorians? Please detail:

- a) Target cohort
- b) Budget allocation
- c) Measurable outcomes or KPIs

**Answer:**

**Increasing the time for Northcrest residents to pay rates under the Northern Territory Rates Act 1971**

- a) The time to pay 2025-26 rates imposed under the *Northern Territory Rates Act 1971* on residential properties at Northcrest was increased from 30 days to 180 days.
- b) This had cash flow impacts for the Department, but did not affect the budget bottom line.
- c) This measure was designed to assist households impacted by cost-of-living pressures.

**Application of rental rebates and safety nets for public housing tenants**

- a) The Department can apply rent rebates and safety nets for tenants living in public housing. Under these arrangements:
  - Rental rebates are applied for defined periods, with assessments undertaken to ensure the level of rent remains appropriate and affordable for each household.
  - The Safety Net Scheme provides additional support for tenants experiencing financial hardship or sudden changes in income, ensuring they are not placed at risk of rental stress or homelessness.
- b) The Rebates and Safety Nets are considered as part of the rent revenue budget.
- c) These programs mean that eligible tenants pay rent calculated according to household income and individual circumstances. This approach provides targeted financial relief and supports housing stability for low-income Territorians.

71. Has the Agency undertaken any modelling or analysis of cost-of-living pressures relevant to its portfolio? If so:

- a) Please provide copies
- b) What policy changes have resulted?
- c) Cost of modelling

**Answer:** The Agency has not undertaken any modelling or analysis of cost-of-living pressures.

72. Please identify any fees, charges or cost-recovery mechanisms administered by the Agency that have increased since 1 July 2025, including:

- a) Amount of increase
- b) Rationale
- c) Estimated impact on households/businesses

**Answer:** The following applies in relation to the Local Government Output

- a) As reflected in the 2025-26 Budget, rates under the *Northern Territory Rates Act 1971* (Rates Act) for lots at East Arm (industrial) and Northcrest (residential and commercial) increased by approximately 2.5% from 2024-25 to 2025-26.
- b) Rates under the Rates Act are generally aligned with the lower rates that would be imposed by one of the neighbouring councils (City of Darwin or City of Palmerston) for an equivalent property. These increases were lower than the year-to-year Consumer Price Index increases. It is considered important that rates for the Northcrest area align with the rates of neighbouring councils, as imposing lower rates could result in 'rates shock' for lot owners when the area is incorporated.
- c) For a household that had a rates bill of \$2,000 in 2024-25, it increased to approximately \$2,050 in 2025-26. For a business that had a rates bill of \$5,000 in 2024-25, it increased to approximately \$5,125 in 2025-26.

73. What steps has the Agency taken to ensure government services delivered by the Agency are accessible and affordable, particularly in remote and regional areas?

**Answer:** The Department is committed to delivering accessible and affordable government services for Territorians, particularly those living in regional and remote areas.

The Department has a focus on strengthening regionalised service delivery, rather than relying on centralised, Darwin-based operations. This includes maintaining regional offices across the Northern Territory, so communities and providers have direct access to staff who understand local needs, economic conditions, and service environments.

The Department has a number of place-based frontline staff who live and work in communities. These officers provide day-to-day support, assist tenants and clients with applications and assessments, and help resolve issues quickly without requiring travel to major centres.

In addition, Department staff undertake regular travel to remote communities and homelands to deliver services in person. Activities include tenancy support, maintenance coordination, income reviews, and community engagement.

Together, these measures mean that there are large number of services that are delivered locally, consistently, and affordably, reducing the need for clients to travel long distances and improving access to essential government services close to where they live.

74. Has the Agency reviewed any programs or services to reduce out-of-pocket costs for users? If so, provide details and outcomes.

**Answer:** The Department is committed to delivering accessible and affordable government services for Territorians, particularly those living in regional and remote areas.

The Department has a focus on strengthening regionalised service delivery, rather than relying on centralised, Darwin-based operations. This includes maintaining regional offices across the Northern Territory, so communities and providers have direct access to staff who understand local needs, economic conditions, and service environments.

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Together, these measures mean that there are large number of services that are delivered locally, consistently, and affordably, reducing the need for clients to travel long distances and improving access to essential government services close to where they live.

75. Please quantify any savings to households or businesses that have resulted from Agency initiatives since 1 July 2025.

**Answer:** The Agency continues to apply rent rebates and safety nets for eligible public housing tenants. These programs mean that eligible tenants pay rent according to household income and individual circumstances. Under these arrangements:

- Rental rebates are applied for defined periods, with assessments

undertaken to ensure the level of rent remains appropriate and affordable for each household.

- The Safety Net Scheme provides additional support for tenants experiencing financial hardship or sudden changes in income, ensuring they are not placed at risk of rental stress or homelessness.

The quantum of the rent rebate and Safety Net Scheme applied between 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 is \$30.7 million.

76. What additional costs has the Agency incurred during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 as a result of increases in fuel prices? Please detail:

- a) Total additional expenditure attributable to fuel price increases.

**Answer:** Both Remote and Urban public housing-related contracts have fixed pricing and there have been no additional costs for the reporting period. For all other contracts, there has been limited impact in the reporting period.

- b) Impact on operational budgets (including service delivery, logistics, and regional operations).

**Answer:** Fuel prices have been absorbed within existing operational budgets.

- c) Any mitigation strategies implemented to manage these increased costs

**Answer:** The Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations is developing fuel levy strategy. Prior to the application of the strategy, a review of agency contracts is underway to assess potential impacts.

The Department of Logistics and Infrastructure have developed a fuel levy strategy to provide relief to external contractors delivering urban and remote contracts, for a temporary period, using the Australian Bureau of Statistics indexation modelling.

For our Repairs and Maintenance contracts we will follow the methodology used by the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure to ensure consistency as they are either the same or similar contractors delivering the same service. For all other contracts we will follow the methodology applied by the Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations once it is established.

77. What additional costs has the Agency incurred during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 as a result of increases in airfares? Please detail:

- a) Total additional expenditure attributable to airfare increases.
- b) Impact on travel requirements, including any reduction, deferral or substitution of travel.
- c) Any changes to service delivery, stakeholder engagement or program implementation as a result.

**Answer:**

- a) The Agency is unable to quantify the total additional expenditure attributable to airfare increases.
- b) and (c) The Agency operates across a broad regional footprint, delivering services throughout the Territory. Wherever possible, we employ locally based staff, while maintaining the flexibility to travel to meet operational demands.

## COMPLAINTS

78. Number of complaints received about Agency services, broken down by category, complainant (internal or external) and outcome.

**Answer:** The amount of administrative effort required to provide a detailed breakdown of complaints received is excessive and would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.

## OTHER EXPENDITURE

79. Please provide details for the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026 on the following matters:

a) Whether the Agency or Ministerial Offices utilise artificial intelligence or other digital services to enhance or promote social media or public communications, including:

- a) The name and purpose of each service used.
- b) Total expenditure on such services.

**Answer:** Microsoft Copilot is endorsed as the preferred generative AI tool for use within the NT Government. The NT

Government version of Copilot operates entirely within its secure digital environment, ensuring that information entered is not exposed to the internet.

All use of AI must comply with the acceptable use of digital resources policy, the code of conduct and align with the AI Ethics Principles outlined in the AI Assurance Framework. Refer NTGCentral – Artificial intelligence policy.

- b) All paid subscriptions held by the Agency, including:
- a) Type and purpose (e.g. software, data services, publications, memberships).
  - b) Total cost of each subscription.
  - c) Whether each subscription has been reviewed for cost efficiency or ongoing necessity.

**Answer:** Microsoft Copilot is endorsed as the preferred generative AI tool for use within the NT Government. The NT Government version of Copilot operates entirely within its secure digital environment, ensuring that information entered is not exposed to the internet.

All use of AI must comply with the acceptable use of digital resources policy, the code of conduct and align with the AI Ethics Principles outlined in the AI Assurance Framework. Refer NTGCentral – Artificial intelligence policy.

- c) Expenditure on the production of Government materials in Aboriginal languages and culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) languages, including:
- a) Languages materials were produced in.
  - b) Total cost.
- (a) Expenditure on the production of Government materials in Aboriginal languages and culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) languages is set out in Tables 1 and 2.

**Table 1: Aboriginal Interpreter Service (AIS)**

<b>Total Recording Jobs for NT Government production materials</b>	
<b>Period: 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026</b>	
<b>Languages materials</b>	<b>Total costs - AIS Client Charges</b>
Alyawarr	\$8,380
Anindilyakwa	\$280
Anmatyerr	\$3,910
Burarra	\$1,050
Central Arrernte	\$10,740
Djambarrpuyngu	\$2,280
Kriol	\$10,750
Kunwinjku	\$840
Maung	\$280
Modern Tiwi	\$1,520
Murrinh-Patha	\$5,402
Pintupi	\$2,170
Pitjantjatjara	\$2,500
Warlpiri	\$8,640
Western Arrernte	\$12,730
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$71,472</b>

**Table 2: Interpreting and Translating Services NT (ITSNT)**

<b>Total Recording Jobs for NT Government production materials</b>	
<b>Period: 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026</b>	
<b>Language</b>	<b>Charge</b>
Arabic	\$1,440
Bengali	\$66
Burmese	\$156
Chinese	\$2,589
Greek	\$384
Hindi	\$264
Indonesian	\$4,800
Japanese	\$6,531
Korean	\$4,536
Nepali	\$3,030
Sinhala	\$600
Swahili	\$1,305
Tagalog	\$444
Thai	\$4,544
Urdu	\$444

Vietnamese	\$7,597
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$38,730</b>

- c) The number of instances where non-government organisations or private entities have assisted the Agency.

**Answer:** The Department's Community Engagement, Interpreters and Translators (CEIT) unit has not utilised other interpreters and translators from non-government organisations or private entities to assist in delivering services.

- d) The number of consultations, engagements or community meetings that were cancelled, rescheduled or postponed due to the unavailability of interpreters, including the language required.

**Answer:** Table 3 below shows there were 20 cancelled jobs for the Aboriginal Interpreter Service due to no suitable interpreter being available for the scheduled job start time, including one that was rescheduled. No jobs were cancelled for Interpreting and Translating Services NT.

**Table 3: AIS – number of cancelled jobs due to no interpreter available**

<b>Job Language</b>	<b>Total Cancellations</b>
<b>No Interpreter available</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Community consultations, engagements or community meetings</b>	<b>19</b>
Djambarrpuyngu	3
Anindilyakwa	3
Pitjantjatjara	2
Warlpiri	2
Anmatyerr	2
Kriol	2
Galpu	1
Kunwinjku	1
Alawa, Jingili, Mudparra	1
Modern Tiwi	1
Murrinh-Patha	1

<b>Rescheduled</b>	<b>1</b>
Djambarrpuynu	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>20</b>

f) Reimbursements made to staff, including:

- a) Total value of reimbursements (including fuel and work-related purchases).
- b) The types of expenses reimbursed.
- c) Average processing time for reimbursement.

**Answer:** All reimbursements made to NT Public Sector staff are for official government purposes and are subject to approval by an authorised financial delegate.

Reimbursements are made in accordance with relevant legislative requirements, financial management frameworks and agency policies, and include expenses incurred in the course of performing official duties, such as approved work-related purchases and fuel expenses.

Processing of reimbursements occurs in line with established financial procedures and internal controls to ensure appropriate oversight and accountability.

g) Heritage-listed buildings under the Agency's responsibility that have received, or are scheduled to receive, repairs or maintenance, including:

- a) Description of works undertaken or planned.
- b) Total cost.

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to Question 79(g) will be provided by the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure.

h) Expenditure associated with Government-hosted or Government-attended events, including:

- a) Traffic management and control costs.
- b) Policing, security or crowd control costs.

**Answer:** A whole-of-government response to Question 79(h) will be provided by the Department of Tourism and Hospitality.

## **MEDIA ENQUIRIES**

80. Please detail all media enquiries received by the Agency during the period 1 July 2025 to 31 March 2026, including:

- a) The date each enquiry was received.
- b) The media outlet or individual making the enquiry.
- c) The subject matter of the enquiry.
- d) The date a response was provided

**Answer:** The administrative effort required to respond is excessive and would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.

81. For each enquiry where no response was provided, please detail the reasons why no response was issued.

**Answer:** The administrative effort required to respond is excessive and would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.

82. For each enquiry where a response was provided, please provide a copy of the response.

**Answer:** The administrative effort required to respond is excessive and would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery.