

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Minister for Housing and Community Development

Remote Housing Investment

1. Please provide the NT Government budget allocation to pay for the \$1.1B expenditure on remote housing from 2017/18 to 2026/27.
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 3. Will the NT Government need to borrow funds to pay for this \$1.1B financial commitment?
 4. How many new remote houses have been built by the NT Government under this new \$1.1B remote housing initiative, as of 1 February 2018?
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 6. Please provide details of exactly where these houses are being built?
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The budget allocated is \$1.1 billion in line with the Northern Territory Government's commitment to tackle the housing deficit in remote communities. A further \$510 million over eight years from 2016-17 has been allocated to land servicing and essential services to support the delivery of the Remote Housing Investment Package.

2. How will the NT Government pay for the \$1.1B promised?

The \$1.1 billion has been factored into the Northern Territory Government's Budget and Forward Estimates.

3. Will the NT Government need to borrow funds to pay for this \$1.1B financial commitment?

No additional borrowings are required to support the \$1.1 billion program.

4. How many new remote houses have been built by the NT Government under this new \$1.1B remote housing initiative, as of 1 February 2018?

In line with the Northern Territory Government's commitment to a local decision making agenda, communities will have a say in the design, where and when their new houses are to be built. At the end of January 2018, community consultation had taken place across 36 communities for the HomeBuild NT and Room to Breathe programs.

5. How many new houses are planned to be built by the NT Government under this new \$1.1B remote housing initiative in 2017/18?
Please provide details of exactly where these houses are being built?

As part of the 2017-18 HomeBuild NT program, a total of 114 new builds are planned.

6. How many Aboriginal people are currently employed in the construction of these houses on remote communities?

The Northern Territory Government is committed to building the capacity of Aboriginal Business Enterprises. A minimum target of 35 per cent local Aboriginal Employment has been set for the HomeBuild NT program. The Room to Breathe Early Works program has already achieved an average of 49 per cent Aboriginal employment.

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In total, it is expected that the new builds planned for 2018-19 will be in excess of 100 new dwellings.

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This information is not yet available.