

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Gunner to the Minister for Women's Policy:

**Office of Women's Policy, grants and funding for non-government
and external organisations**

1. Would you please advise what grant, program, project and operational funding was provided by the Office of Women's Policy to non-government and external organisations, including businesses, in the year prior to 24 August 2012.
2. Would you please advise what grant, program, project and operational funding will be provided by the Office of Women's Policy to non-government and external organisations, including businesses, in the year following the 4 December 2012 Mini-budget.
3. Would you please advise which service or funding agreements currently or previously administered by the Office of Women's Policy have been, or will be affected as the result of:
 - i. machinery of government changes, or the creation of new departments or agencies since 24 August 2012;
 - ii. the implementation of measures contained in the 4 December 2012 Mini-budget.
4. Would you please outline the specific changes, amendments and monetary adjustments to service or funding agreements between the Office of Women's Policy and non-government and external organisations referred to in question 3 above.
5. Would you please advise what grant, program, project and operational funding provided by the Office of Women's Policy to non-government and external organisations will be adjusted or diverted, and by how much, as the result of the implementation of measures contained in the Northern Territory Mini-budget on 4 December 2012.

1. In the year prior to 24 August 2012 the Office of Women's Policy (OWP) provided funding totalling \$57,162:

- \$20,000 to various community and non-government organisations through the International Women's Day Grants program 2012;

- \$20,200 to Charles Darwin University for the 2012 Chief Minister's Scholarships for Women; and
- \$16,962 was made available to the below organisations, following a request for funding assistance:
 - \$587 to the United National Association of Australia NT Branch for Sisters in Islam to hold a seminar in Darwin at Charles Darwin University on 22 August 2011;
 - \$3,025 to Business and Professional Women Darwin to hold a seminar, in partnership with OWP, for Equal Pay Day on 1 September 2011;
 - \$3,000 for the Working Women's Centre Conference in Timor Leste on 1-2 September 2011;
 - \$3,000 to the Barkly Women's Days;
 - \$3,750 to Workplace Training Advisory Australia funding for six places for young women to attend the Women's Leadership Conference held in Darwin on 30 November 2011;
 - \$2,600 for the Long Walk Home women's luncheon held in Darwin in November 2011; and
 - \$1,000 to Alzheimer's Australia to fund a table for female carers at the Australian Women of the Year Association's luncheon in Darwin on 13 October 2012.

2. Commitments since the 4 December 2012 Mini-budget are as follows:

- \$2,400 for two scholarships to enable two Northern Territory women to attend the National Rural Women's Conference in Canberra in February 2013;
- \$15,450 to funding of a National Centre of Excellence, under the Northern Territory Government's commitment to the *National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010 – 2022*;
- \$20,000 to various community and non-government organisations through the International Women's Day Grants program 2013; and
- \$20,200 to Charles Darwin University for the 2013 Chief Minister's Scholarships for Women.

The funding of a National Centre of Excellence has been based on shared per capita contribution between the Commonwealth, state and territories over three years from 2013/14 to 2015/16. The Northern Territory's annual contribution has been calculated at \$15 450 per year (total of \$46 350 over three years) and will be absorbed from within the existing OWP budget.

3. Funding remains unchanged in the 2012/2013 budget, therefore:

- i. no grants, programs, projects, services or funding agreements have or will be affected as a result of the machinery of government changes;

- ii. no grants, programs, projects, services or funding agreements have or will be affected as a result of the Mini-budget.
4. There are no specific changes, amendments or monetary adjustments to service or funding agreements between the OWP and non-government and external organisations as referred to in question 3 above.
5. As funding remains unchanged, no grant, program, project and operational funding provided by the OWP to non-government and external organisations will be adjusted or diverted as the result of the implementation of measures contained in the Northern Territory Mini-budget on 4 December 2012.