

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr. Higgins to the Minister for Housing and Community Development:

*Homelands Extra Allowance app*

1. Has the government developed an app or website for Homelands Extra Allowance (HEA) applicants to assist their account management?

The Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development undertook an investigation into the development of a Homelands Extra Allowance (HEA) app for the provision of real time data to individual residents through an app or protected website.

The Department has been unable to identify any options which would overcome limited internet connectivity in remote homelands and also provide secure external web access with adequate protocols to protect the confidential information of individual residents.

Work will continue towards a workable information technology solution for HEA.

The Department releases HEA funding directly to homelands service providers for the delivery of HEA funded works on behalf of homelands residents. The Department monitors the commitment and acquittal of HEA grant funding, with service providers required to report progress with project delivery every six months.

2. If so, when was it developed and how much did it cost to develop?

An app for the HEA has not been developed.

3. If it hasn't, what plans are in place to enable the development of such an app or website?

See answer to question 1.

4. How many applicants have there been for HEA since August 2016?

A total of 2554 HEA applications have been received since August 2016, including:

- 691 in 2016-17;
- 1058 in 2017-18; and
- 805 in 2018-19.

5. How many were successful?

A total of 2056 HEA applicants have been approved since August 2016, including:

- 500 in 2016-17;
- 972 in 2017-18; and
- 584 in 2018-19.

6. From which communities were the successful applicants and how many works have been completed under the HEA?

Approved HEA applicants have come from 320 homelands (as per Attachment A).

A total of 652 HEA works have been reported as completed since August 2016, including:

- 335 from 2016-17; and
- 317 from 2017-18.

The 2018-19 first half reporting was due on 28 February 2019. Finalisation of data for the reporting period has yet to be undertaken, with reports yet to be received from all organisations. Works are generally still in progress, or on hold, due to inclement weather conditions and restricted seasonal access.

7. What has been the rate of Indigenous employment for projects completed under the HEA?

In 2018-19, the Homelands Jobs grants have funded the employment made by the service providers of 143 local Aboriginal people to assist in the delivery of homelands programs, including the HEA.

8. What is the difference between works carried out under the HEA and the repairs and maintenance works done under the Remote Housing program?

The HEA provides a grant of \$6000 per annum on application by eligible homelands residents for the upgrade and improvement of up to 1000 occupied homes in homelands. The Homelands Program also provides Housing Maintenance Services grants of \$3830 per dwelling for the repairs and maintenance of every occupied home in the 377 funded homelands. Homes in homelands are not the property of the Northern Territory Government.

The Remote Housing Program is responsible for the repairs and maintenance of homes in remote communities which are managed as public housing by the Chief Executive Officer (Housing) under lease conditions or lease agreements.

## ATTACHMENT A

### Approved Applicants for the Homelands Extra Allowance 2016-17 to 2018-19

<b>Homeland ID</b>	<b>Homeland Name</b>	<b>No of Approved Applicants</b>
1004	10 Mile Family	2
783	16 Mile Camp	18
No ID	20 Mile	1
759	5 Mile Bore	10
1	Adelaide Bore	8
2	Aileron	14
118	Akaye	16
959	Akwalirrumanja	6
280	Alamirra	1
693	Alatyeye	4
769	Alkngarriintja	5
714	Alkupitja (Gillen Bore Brauns/Golders)	18
NoID22	Alyarpere (Shannon Bore)	2
916	Angatyepe	12
917	Angkerle Arrenge (A)	6
918	Angkerle Arrenge (B)	2
823	Angkweleyelengkwe	2
12	Angula	1
960	Angwura (Salt Lake)	1
15	Antarrengeny (Indaringinya)	17
288	Araru Point	4
147	Arawerr (Soapy)	23
1023	Arkanta	5
79	Armstrongs	2
21	Arrkapa	2
910	Arrunge	3
22	Artekkerre (Three Bore)	10
712	Artekkerre (Harrys Creek)	28
729	Atheley	9
1015	Atji Creek	3
146	Atnarara (Soakage Bore)	12
10483	Atnarpa	5
27	Atneltyey (Aniltjij Boundary Bore)	6
23	Atnwengerrpe (Noongipa)	5
577	Badawarrka	6
811	Baghetti	1
456	Balma	5

<b>Homeland ID</b>	<b>Homeland Name</b>	<b>No of Approved Applicants</b>
458	Baniyala	42
457	Banthula	22
865	Bardalumba	8
938	Barraratjpi	4
888	Barrkira	6
212	Bauhinia Downs	5
464	Birany Birany	13
NoID3	Black Rock Landing	1
784	Black Tank Bore	4
25	Blackwater	11
465	Bodia	14
298	Bolkdjam	4
583	Boomerang Lagoon	1
24904	Brumby Plains	1
986	Budjanga	3
1027	Buffalo Farm	6
257	Bujan	2
466	Bukudal	7
300	Bulgul	11
302	Buluhkaduru	3
949	Bunhanura	4
976	Buni-Inwunbuluk	1
470	Burrum	5
713	Burt Creek	9
803	Buymarr	3
728	Camel Camp	9
768	Camel's Hump	1
220	Corella Creek	5
1009	Corkwood Bore	18
972	Cow Lagoon	5
775	Deleye	4
473	Dhalinybuy	29
896	Dhambala	8
955	Dhaniya	4
806	Dhayirri	2
477	Dhipirrinjura	11
664	Dhudupu	2
479	Dhupuwamirri	2
554	Dhuruputjpi	2
482	Djarrakpi	3

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670	Djarrung	2
484	Djurranalpi	3
485	Donydji	13
34	Eight Mile	4
920	Elitjia	5
882	Emu Point	12
950	Fitzroy Station	4
57	Five Mile	3
911	Fossil Head	3
909	Foxalls Well	5
807	Galawarra	4
489	Galawdjapin	2
315	Gamardi	4
316	Gamargawan	1
498	Gan Gan	30
499	Ganpura	4
963	Garanydjirr	2
993	Garrinjinny	4
505	Garrthalala	22
508	Gawa	11
799	Giinda	3
597	Gilwi	10
319	Gochin Jiny Jirra	10
723	Goolminyini	13
44	Green Valley	1
24905	Gulardi	6
512	Gulmari	1
328	Gumarrirnbang	7
308	Gumeragi	1
516	Gurkawuy	6
517	Gurumuru	13
804	Gutjangan	8
973	Hingstons Place	3
334	Humpty Doo	2
800	Hunters Camp	3
1005	Ileparratye (Woods Camp)	4
709	Ilperle	3
1018	Ilpurla	4
No ID21	Itjiltjarri (Tempe Downs)	2

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932	Inbina Atwatye	11
726	Inkawenyerre (Rocket Range)	8
82	Inkwelaye (Kurrajong)	12
771	Ipalala	3
978	Irgul Point	2
703	Irrerlirre	11
921	Irriltyere (A)	4
922	Irriltyere (B)	5
	Irrowa	1
NoID17	Irrowa	2
63	Irrultja (Irrwelty)	7
935	Itchy Koo Park	26
923	Iteyepintye	16
924	Itperlyenge	10
727	Iylentye (Mosquito)	15
338	Ji-Balbal	3
311	Ji-Bena	9
793	Ji-Malawa	7
340	Ji-Marda	8
598	Jodetluk	7
947	Kalapitapita	3
237	Kangaroo Island	3
980	Kapalga	5
67	Kaporilya	2
116	Karrinyarra	2
870	Katjutari	3
883	Kelerrk	1
1017	Kewulyi	11
722	Kiana	6
345	Kolorbidahdah	4
76	Kulpitharra	1
1000	Kumunu	4
391	Kungarrewarl	4
905	Kurntapurra	4
822	Kurraya	1
776	Kuwuma	1
718	Kuy	2
83	Kwala	2
925	Kwale Kwale	11
85	Labrapuntja	7

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519	Langarra	16
1008	Leichardt	2
721	Likkaparta	8
88	Lilla	9
93	Liltjera	2
613	Lingara	4
91	Little Well	1
856	Lizard Bore	1
92	Ltira	8
614	Lul-Tju	1
871	Luntharra	1
94	Lyilyalanama	1
376	Malgawa	2
522	Malkala	25
523	Malnjangarnak	2
355	Mamadawerre	11
801	Mamukala	4
NoID06	Manangoora	2
NoID6	Manangoora	1
897	Mandedjkadang	1
363	Manmoyi	11
524	Mapurru	24
368	Marrkolidjban	2
529	Mata Mata	6
530	Mawulyumanja	3
101	Mbalkanaka	1
102	Mbunghara	16
951	Menngen	10
872	Merral Ntarrakala	4
717	Merrepen	6
373	Mikginj Valley	1
987	Milibunthurra	1
535	Mirrnatja	9
627	Mole Hill	1
990	Mooloowa	3
501	Mooronga	9
629	Mount Catt	5
790	Mount Peachy	6
875	Mount Twellar	11
855	Mt Eaglebeak	11

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380	Mudginberri	1
964	Mu-Gurta	1
538	Mulgurram	2
884	Mulingi	6
244	Mungkarta	10
249	Munyalini	23
648	Muruning	7
678	Myatt	15
886	Nadilmuk	1
392	Nangak	1
716	Nemarluk	13
121	New Bore	1
545	Ngadumiyerrka	8
542	Ngangalala	17
765	Ngankiritja	6
544	Ngayawilli	6
24900	Ngunpa / Ngunga	2
907	Ngurrara	3
839	Nguyarramini	3
770	Ntakarra	4
789	Oak Valley	6
914	Old Mission	9
100	Old Station	2
26	Orrtipa-Thurra	26
975	Pakulki	1
773	Palm Paddock	4
997	Pantharrpilenhe	1
854	Pantyinteme	6
281	Paradise Farm	8
407	Paru	2
409	Patonga Airstrip	6
900	Patonga Homestead	6
926	Payeperrentye (B)	4
1014	Penyeme	3
406	Perrederr	7
859	Pertarratenge	14
927	Perte Therre	11
860	Petyale	6
133	Phillipson Bore	3
139	Pulardi	5



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730	Pungalindum	7
1020	Putjamirra	1
117	Putulu	1
940	Pwerte Marnte Marnte (Holland Bore)	6
552	Raymangirr	8
5	Red Sandhill	1
NoID18	Redcliffe	2
642	Rockhole	21
469	Rorruwuy	8
480	Rurrangala	10
861	Rutjingka	2
988	Sandridge	4
892	Sandy Bay	1
NoID14	Sandy Bore	4
24898	Sandy Bore (Tempe Downs)	6
24902	Snake Lagoon	1
948	Snake Well	14
262	South West Island	6
953	Spotted Tiger	2
419	Spring Peak	5
149	Tjamangkurra	2
762	Tjintirtjintirpa	1
154	Tnawurta	2
928	Tnerte	17
155	Tnyimipurta	7
970	Tommyhawk Swamp	2
785	Turner's Camp	6
929	Twetye (A)	11
930	Twetye (B)	13
931	Tywenpe (A)	14
934	Tywenpe (D)	6
933	Tywenpe(C)	16
159	Ukaka	4
760	Ulambara	5
162	Ulpanyali	10
772	Ulpunda	5
962	Uminyuluk	7
711	Undoolya Bore	13
166	Undurana 1C	2
985	Undurana 2A	1

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156	Urlampe	14
NoID24	Urrermerne	1
24	Utily	9
214	Wada Warra (Bone Lagoon)	16
908	Wakurlpu	1
983	Walangurrminy	6
720	Walkabout Bore	16
24903	Wallaces Lagoon	1
256	Wandangula	22
557	Wandawuy	19
178	Wanmarra	7
179	Warren Creek	2
180	Warumpi	4
877	Wataru	1
655	Werenbun	6
274	West Island	2
185	West Waterhouse	5
432	Wilgi	6
786	Williams Well	5
259	Wogyala	6
275	Wollogorang	4
816	Wonmurri	3
434	Woodykupildiya	17
697	Woolaning	3
778	Wudaduk	3
435	Wudapuli MES	1
838	Wulkabimirri	9
563	Wumajbarr	2
996	Wundigalla	4
437	Wurdeja	2
817	Wurlbu	3
567	Wuyagiba	1
984	Yakala	3
864	Yalliquin	2
573	Yanbakwa	1
218	Yangulinyina	3
571	Yathalamarra	10
572	Yedikba	1
797	Yikarrakkal	3
303	Yilan	4

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898	Yilila	2
574	Yimidarra	5
999	Yinyikay	11
672	Yudu Yudu	2
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>2056</b>