



# Annual Report 2022-23

TERRITORY FAMILIES,  
HOUSING AND  
COMMUNITIES



NORTHERN  
TERRITORY  
GOVERNMENT

## Acknowledgement of Country

Territory Families, Housing and Communities acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of this nation. We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands and waters. We pay our respects to ancestors and Elders, past, present and emerging. Our department is committed to honouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas and their rich contribution to society. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are advised that this document may contain images of deceased persons.



# Introduction



# Letter to Ministers

## Dear Ministers

**In accordance with the provisions of the *Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993*, I am pleased to submit to you the *Territory Families, Housing and Communities 2022-23 Annual Report*.**

Pursuant to the *Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993*, the *Financial Management Act 1995* and the *Information Act 2002*, I advise that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- a) proper records of all transactions affecting the agency are kept and that the agency's employees observe the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 1995*, the *Financial Management Regulations* and the *Treasurer's Directions*;
- b) agency procedures provide proper internal control, and a current description of those procedures is recorded in the *Corporate Handbook* which delivers the requirements of the *Accounting and Property Manual* and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Financial Management Act 1995*;
- c) no indication of fraud, malpractice, major breach of legislation or delegation, major error in or omission from the accounts and records that has not been appropriately reported and corrected exists;
- d) in accordance with the requirements of Section 15 of the *Financial Management Act 1995*, the internal audit capacity available to the agency is adequate and the results of internal audits have been reported;
- e) the financial statements in this annual report have been prepared from proper accounts and records and are in accordance with the *Treasurer's Directions*;
- f) in accordance with the requirements of Section 28 of the *Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993*, all public sector principles have been upheld; and
- g) with respect to my responsibilities under Section 131 of the *Information Act 2002*, procedures within the agency complied with the archives and records management provisions prescribed in Part 9 of the *Information Act 2002*.

Parts of items a, e and g involve functions provided by the Department of Corporate and Digital Development (DCDD). I have received assurance from DCDD's Chief Executive Officer that proper records are kept of transactions undertaken by DCDD on behalf of our agency and that DCDD employees observe the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 1995*, the *Financial Management Regulations*, *Treasurer's Directions* and Part 9 of the *Information Act 2002*.

Yours sincerely



**Emma White**  
**Acting Chief Executive Officer**  
**29 September 2023**

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## Message from the Acting Chief Executive Officer

**I would like to begin by proudly acknowledging the Traditional Owners of the lands across the Northern Territory and paying my respects to all First Nations Peoples, including their Elders past and present.**

In a year that has been defined by an ongoing global pandemic hindering global supply chains, national workforce shortages, cost of living pressures and the impacts of climate change, it is imperative to remember the positive outcomes our department has achieved to create connected communities, thriving places and empowered Territorians.

Our department is unique and privileged to support people from all walks of life, through all life stages and circumstances, and across some of the most remote areas in the country. We support the wellbeing and community connection for children and families through disability and social inclusion support, arts and culture, and sports. We also support families and communities experiencing vulnerability and disadvantage to keep children and families safe and give young people the opportunity to thrive – whether this is through public housing, child protection and out-of-home care or youth justice - our impact is far reaching.

It is with a sense of pride and purpose that I present the 2022-23 Annual Report and highlight the outcomes of our work.

### Our people

Reflecting on the accomplishments of the past year, what is clear is that our people really are our greatest asset – delivering frontline services with compassion and grit, implementing major reforms and making our department a great place to work.

Our staff have worked tirelessly to partner with, and support, Territory communities and individuals. We are committed to this work because we know it benefits the whole community – and that is what I'm most proud of: the incredible commitment our staff and our workforces show every single day, to build a safer, connected and more inclusive Northern Territory.

### Remote housing

Our commitment to working with community and partners is particularly evident in the work we do to support remote housing. We continued the delivery of the biggest investment in remote Northern Territory housing in history, which built more than 1,000 new bedrooms in 2022-23, and welcomed back federal funding for Northern Territory homelands for the first time since 2015, quickly standing up the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program to deliver it.



**65**  
**days emergency flood response**



**5**  
**consecutive years with less children in out-of-home care**



**1,000+**  
**new bedrooms built in remote communities**

## Aboriginal voices

Closing the Gap and the priority reform areas provides a roadmap for our department to strengthen and amplify the voices of Aboriginal people so they direct the design and delivery of the services of our department.

As the only Northern Territory Government department with an Elder in Residence embedded in our leadership structure, we have continued to create Aboriginal cultural security across our organisation – embedding Aboriginal voices in policy and program design and through local decision-making on the ground in remote communities.

In 2022-23, we refreshed our Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework under the guidance of our Elder in Residence and in consultation with our Aboriginal workforce, who continue to be more and more engaged. This was shown with attendance at our Aboriginal Staff Forum doubling from 50 in 2021, to 120 Aboriginal employees attending this year.

## Children and families

The Northern Territory is a proud signatory to the National Children and Families Report 'Safe and Supported'. We also saw the launch of the 10-year Generational Strategy for Children and Young People here in the Northern Territory which sets out a shared vision and policy framework to improve services for the wellbeing and safety of all children, young people and families in the Northern Territory.

We have also delivered on our second Action Plan under

our Strategic Plan 2021-25, achieving several key milestones including the launch of an integrated case management system for child protection and youth justice - CARE - which was 5 years in the making.

Our early intervention and prevention work, and long-term commitment to addressing the root cause of complex and challenging family issues, has contributed to the number of children in out-of-home care declining for a fifth consecutive year, bucking the national trend.

## Flood response

In addition to managing these major programs, reforms and business as usual operations, our staff also responded to one of the biggest emergency events in the Territory's recent history, a response that required more than 2 months of dedicated support.

Following flooding at Kalkarindji, Daguragu and Nitjpurru (Pigeon Hole), our staff led the establishment and ongoing operations of an evacuation centre, supported the delivery of Disaster Recovery Assistance Payments, repatriation, and the establishment of temporary accommodation and services in remote communities where repatriation was delayed by flood damage.

## Partnerships

In addition to the hard work of our staff, I would like to acknowledge the importance of our government, non-government, and Aboriginal community-controlled partners in delivering our work at both the national and territory levels. It is only through these

collaborative partnerships that we can deliver on our common goals and priorities – including those mentioned above as well as the Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Reduction Framework 2018-2028, National Partnership for Remote Housing and Northern Territory Climate Change Response: Towards 2050 – to name but a few, which set the direction of our programs and operations. While the department has achieved great successes, areas of large-scale reform continue to be a focus to improve how we serve the Territory community.

Our priority will always be working closely with Territory communities. As we've seen through recent challenges and emergencies, the strength, leadership and resilience of our communities and sectors has proven just how essential this collaboration and connection is and will remain.

Territorians are vibrant and resilient, and we will continue to support them as they move through their lives. I feel incredibly privileged to step in as Acting Chief Executive at a department that has such dedicated staff and partners and very real opportunities to make a difference.



**Emma White**

**Acting Chief Executive Officer**

# Message from the Elder in Residence

As Elder in Residence, I am responsible for providing expert cultural policy and program advice and promoting Indigenous culture and protocols within the department.

My office provides oversight and works to ensure that Territory Families, Housing and Communities operations align with frameworks and policy advice relating to Aboriginal children, families and communities across the Northern Territory.

In addition to our oversight function, my team and I provide leadership, coordination and delivery of initiatives including:

- the Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework
- an annual Aboriginal staff forum
- secretariat function for the Aboriginal Cultural Security Advisory Committee
- the Aboriginal science program for young people in detention
- Aboriginal staff consultation and engagement.



## Aboriginal Cultural Security Advisory Committee

As Elder in Residence, I have the honour of working with a group of dedicated Aboriginal staff as advisory committee members. Together we provide an Aboriginal perspective on the strategic direction and objectives of the department to enhance Aboriginal perspectives across our business practices.

In 2022-23, the committee of 19 Aboriginal staff from across all regions of the Northern Territory met quarterly to provide advice on key department policies and programs.

## Aboriginal Science Program

Too often young people in detention lose connection to their culture, which is a fundamental human right for Aboriginal children. Connection and pride in culture is imperative for young people to build their self-worth and support a successful transition back to community, which is why my visits with these children is an important part of my work.

In 2022-23, I had the privilege of visiting Don Dale Youth Detention Centre on a regular basis to share stories of Aboriginal children's ancestors, elders and communities and talk about their understanding of culture through an Aboriginal understanding of science.

I would like to acknowledge the work of the Aboriginal Cultural Security Advisory Committee and thank them for all the support they provide me and my team to achieve all that has been completed over the past year.

I look forward to another busy year for my office embedding cultural security and promoting Indigenous culture.

**Dr Christine Fejo-King**  
Elder in Residence



## CASE STUDY



### Annual Aboriginal staff forum

As part of our Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework and Aboriginal Workforce Development Strategy, the Elder in Residence team convenes an annual Aboriginal staff forum.

What started in 2021 as an event with 50 Aboriginal staff has grown significantly, and in 2023, saw 120 Aboriginal staff from across the department attend the event in Alice Springs.

The forum is an invaluable opportunity for Aboriginal staff to meet, network and share knowledge and experiences about the best ways of working with Aboriginal people to achieve a culturally safe environment.

The forum highlights the importance of working together to promote the Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework, embed Aboriginal cultural values and support engagement and genuine partnerships with Aboriginal communities.

See the Science Program in action





# About us



# Strategic Plan

**Our vision of Connected Communities, Thriving Places and Empowered Territorians is guided by our Strategic Plan 2021-25.**

In 2022-23 we developed and delivered on our second Action Plan under the Strategic Plan.

The annual report outlines how we are achieving these targeted actions and deliverables, to support the department to continue to deliver culturally appropriate services that promote engaged, diverse and vibrant communities for all Territorians. Completing and embedding actions into our everyday practice is detailed on pages 22-25 of this report.

All our functions play a role in achieving our 4 strategic goals as illustrated throughout this report.

## Our goals



**Communities are engaged, diverse and vibrant places where everyone belongs**

Enable lifelong community participation and connection.

Enable Territorians and communities to shape the Territory's future through investment, local decision-making and employment opportunities.

Design thriving places and connected neighbourhoods and communities through robust planning, infrastructure asset management and tenancy support.

Promote social inclusion and accessibility, and celebrate the value of our diverse communities and their history.



**All Territorians are safe, and can access services to enhance their lives**

Equip individuals, families and communities with the resources to improve their circumstances and lead enjoyable lives.

Connect individuals to coordinated services that respond to their holistic needs.

Provide safe places for individuals and families that enhance opportunities to thrive.

Respond when risks to individual or community safety are identified.



**Our people are valued, empowered and have opportunities to develop and contribute to our agency**

Attract, recruit and retain a skilled, diverse and inclusive workforce that is reflective of the community we serve.

Our work environment is safe and supportive and staff have a voice.

Invest in our workforce to grow and develop their capabilities.

Provide staff with diverse opportunities and celebrate the efforts of our people.



**Our agency and partners are agile, responsible and focussed on our collective impact for all Territorians**

Foster a performance and evidence culture through transparency, accountability and opportunities to celebrate success.

Develop legislation, policies and processes that are contemporary and enable best practice.

Deliver resources that support staff to be efficient and extend the reach of our services across the Northern Territory.

Enhance partnerships to deliver high-quality services to achieve shared outcomes.

# Aboriginal cultural security

In 2022-23 we refreshed our Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework under the guidance of our Elder in Residence.

The Framework outlines the important commitment that our department has made to working in partnerships that:

- deliver services that acknowledge the legitimate cultural rights, values and expectations of Aboriginal people
- provide a safe environment where Aboriginal people are empowered to make decisions that affect their lives without fear of judgement or discrimination.

The critical work to finalise the Framework is an example of the important contribution of our staff, together with past and present members of the Aboriginal Cultural Security Advisory Committee, to embed cultural security across our department and instil its principles across all business units.



# Organisational structure and leadership

As at 30 June 2023





**Chief Executive Officer**  
Ken Davies PSM

Ken Davies PSM began his career teaching in Papunya in 1978. He has spent his career working with young people and families and has held a number of senior positions including CEO of the Department of Lands, Planning and Environment, CEO of the Department of Housing, Local Government and Regional Services, CEO of the Department of Education, and Deputy CEO of the Department of the Chief Minister.

**Executive Director,  
Reform Management Office**  
Nardia Harris (a)



**Deputy CEO Housing**  
Brent Warren

Brent Warren is a long-term Territorian who has been Deputy CEO Housing since 2021. He joined the Department in 2017, after serving as a Northern Territory Police Officer for 17 years. Growing up in Nhulunbuy, he has lived and worked across the Territory.



**Deputy CEO Regional  
Services and Communities**  
Karen Broadfoot (a)

Karen Broadfoot commenced her social work career in South Australia and has been delivering child protection services in urban and remote areas of the Northern Territory for 20 years. Since commencing in an Executive role in 2012, Karen has been dedicated to effective and accountable front line service delivery across child protection, out-of-home care and youth justice. Her primary focus remains on continuous improvement of service delivery to the community and supporting the staff who engage with our community every day.

**Executive Director, Market Programs and Reform**  
Jared Collins

**Executive Director, Remote Housing Reform and Programs**  
Brenna Toner (a)

**Community Housing Registrar**  
Wendy Morton

**Senior Director, Indigenous Essential Services**  
Lindsay Smith

**Manager,  
Executive Services**  
Jason De Araujo (a)

**Executive Director, NT Wide Services**  
Leonie Warburton

**General Manager, Community Participation and Inclusion**  
Samantha Livesley

**General Manager, Regional Services - Central Australia**  
Danyelle Jarvis (a)

**General Manager, Regional Services - Greater Darwin**  
Anthea Motter (a)

**Executive Director, Regional Services - Big Rivers**  
Kathryn Freeman

**Executive Director, Regional Services - East Arnhem**  
Courtney Warr

**Executive Director, Regional Services - Barkly**  
Soana Vaihu

**Executive Director, Regional Services - Top End**  
Larrissa Donaldson (a)

# Operating environment

We service every corner of the Northern Territory, from the Top End to Central Australia.

At a glance



**6**  
service delivery regions



**43**  
town camps



**500**  
homelands and outstations



**73**  
remote communities



**5**  
urban centres

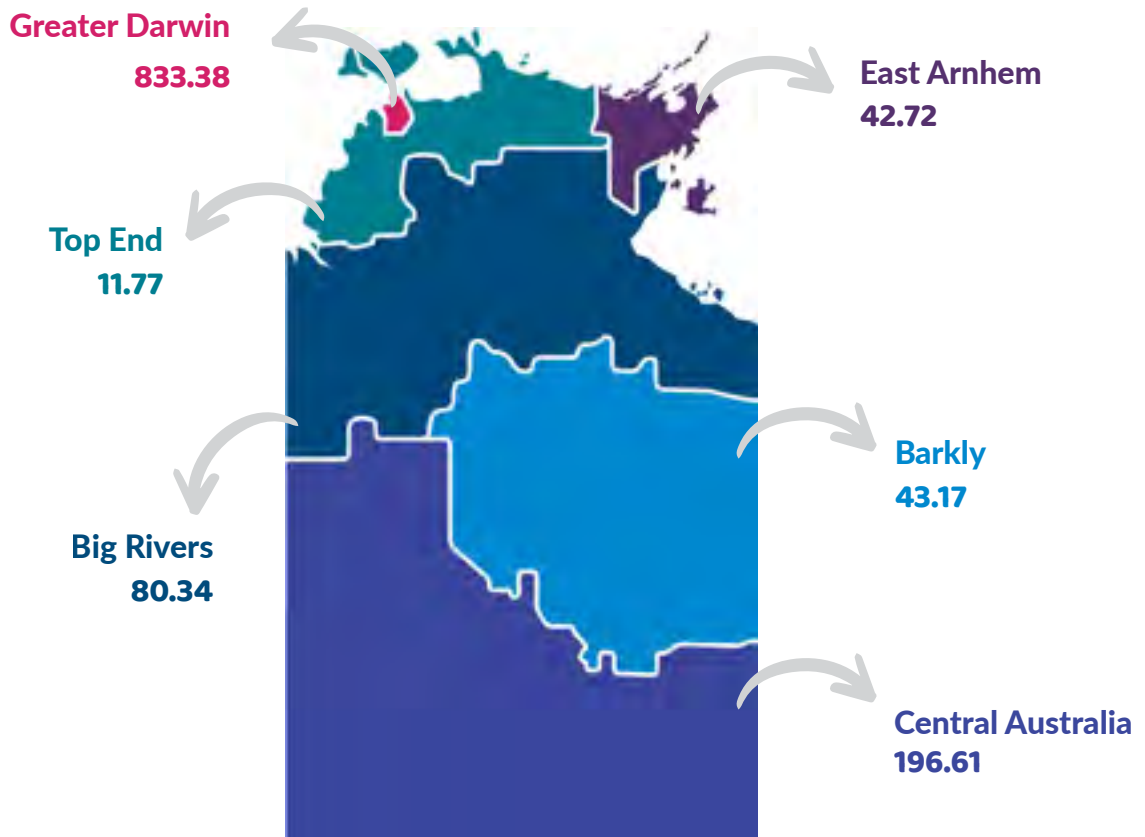


**15**  
urban offices



staff located in **22**  
remote communities

Full time equivalent staff in each region



# Our people

## At a glance



**1,207.99**

full time  
equivalent staff



**20.13%**  
identify as Aboriginal



**2.37%**  
identify as having a disability



**23.50%**  
are from non-English speaking backgrounds



**64.90%**  
are women



**16.47%**  
have flexible working arrangements



**3.49%**  
are based in remote communities



**21%**  
of vacancies were filled by Aboriginal applicants  
under Special Measures

## Diversity in leadership

As diversity in our workforce grows, so too does it grow in our leadership teams.



Aboriginal people are in  
**9.13%**  
of leadership positions

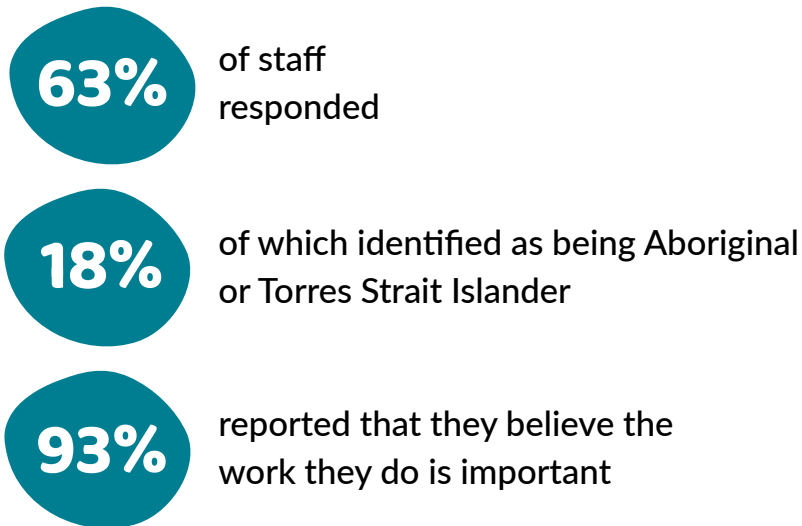


Women are in  
**71.29%**  
of executive leadership positions

# Staff engagement

We undertake a People Matter Survey every 2 years and a pulse staff survey every other year.

In 2022-23:



Most importantly we saw a number of improvements on our 2021-22 People Matter Survey results, including staff feeling that:

- ↑ up 12% positive action is being taken around bullying and harassment
- ↑ up 7% they're clear about their roles and responsibilities
- ↑ up 5% managers engage with them about change that impacts them
- ↑ up 5% teams across the department collaborate effectively
- ↑ up 5% senior management are engaging with them
- ↑ up 5% senior management make timely decisions
- ↑ up 6% senior management model the behaviours expected of employees

We are now using this feedback to further improve our internal systems and communications to staff, including through new career planning tools and development of a communications framework.





# Performance



# Reporting on the 2022-23 Action Plan

✓ direct alignment with a 2022-23 action



## Goal 1

Communities are engaged, diverse and vibrant places where everyone belongs

- ✓ Construction of the Northern Territory Art Gallery in Darwin commenced, with an anticipated opening in mid-2025.
- ✓ Developed concept design for the National Aboriginal Art Gallery in Alice Springs.
- ✓ Construction underway on the Education and Community Precinct in Darwin, which includes the new Northern Territory Library and is scheduled to open mid-2024.
- ✓ Commenced developing the Northern Territory Sport Volunteer Action Plan 2022-25.
- ✓ Launched the Territory's first Disability Strategy and 3-year Action Plan in August 2022 to improve the lives of Territorians with disability.
- ✓ A membership engagement strategy is in place to increase awareness of the Northern Territory Concession Scheme and Northern Territory Seniors Recognition Scheme, engage new members and retain eligible members. This included supporting all eligible seniors at Nauiyu to register.
- ✓ Completed consultation to better understand the wishes of the multicultural community and inform a Multicultural Infrastructure Plan.
- ✓ The Men's Places Policy and Program was released and the Men's Places Grants Program opened.
- ✓ Completed a further survey dive on the I-124 submarine, the Japanese submarine wreck dating back to the Second World War.
- ✓ Launched the Northern Territory Youth Strategy 2023-33 to identify programs, services, and infrastructure that respond effectively to issues affecting young people in the Territory.
- ✓ Delivered over 327 Northern Territory Sports Academy Foundations Program sessions to over 613 young Territorians, with over 142 family members involved as volunteers.
- ✓ Implemented the new Remote Rental Framework which included face-to-face visits with tenants to talk about the changes, update tenancy agreements and educate tenants on their responsibilities.
- ✓ Announced the preferred site for the construction of a purpose-built youth and community hub in Darwin's northern suburbs. Commenced community engagement and consultation on the design and program model.
- ✓ The Government Employee Housing centralised management model commenced and includes a user pays rent system.
- ✓ Officially released the Northern Territory Sports Academy Service Delivery Framework 2022-25 including the Foundations, Futures, Individual Athlete Scholarship, National Selection Grant and workforce development programs.
  - Five-year Grant Agreements were negotiated with 8 Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations to provide Aboriginal Carer Services focussed on identifying, contributing to assessments and supporting Aboriginal Carers for Aboriginal children.
  - Committed \$1.47 million in funding to 122 events, festivals, projects and initiatives funded through the 2022-23 Multicultural Grants Program through a range of grant programs and services.
  - Celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the Northern Territory Sports Awards.
  - Established the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program. A \$100 million program dedicated to addressing critical issues in NT homelands.



## Goal 2

All Territorians are safe, and can access services to enhance their lives

- ✓ \$3 million allocated to Katherine Women's Crisis Centre for new infrastructure in Katherine.
- ✓ Granted \$1.5 million to Darwin Aboriginal and Islander Women's Shelter to build transitional housing, expanding the service's capacity to provide victim safe accommodation.
- ✓ Developed an action plan for homelessness sector reform in consultation with peak bodies. Development of the refreshed programs will help shape the new Homelessness Strategy for 2024-29.
- ✓ Funding provided to NT Shelter to work with Community Housing Industry Association Northern Territory and Aboriginal Housing Northern Territory to develop a Community Housing Industry Development Plan.
- ✓ Tenancy Reform program implemented strategies to improve engagement with tenants, increase tenants' awareness around lease conditions and educate and empower staff to better manage anti-social behaviour.
- ✓ Completed construction of 78 social housing dwellings in the new residential precinct at John Stokes Square in Darwin, handing the site to Venture Housing for long term asset and tenancy management.
- ✓ Model of Care for youth detention operations launched and implementation underway, which includes re-establishing the Elders Visiting Program as part of the model's culturally secure, strong and collaborative foundation principles.
- ✓ Commenced an evaluation of Darwin and Alice Springs Visitor Parks to inform the future development of visitor park service models in the Northern Territory.
- ✓ An Indigenous Land Use Agreement for the Barkly Youth Justice Accommodation Facility with the Central Land Council was executed. Construction of the modular buildings continued and a proposed layout and location of the buildings on the site was developed.
- ✓ Improved communication and cooperation with our partner agencies to reduce anti-social behaviour and enhance community safety. This included seconding a delegate from Northern Territory Police to our Central Intake Team to support timely, informed assessment of complex cases and improve referral management.
  - Delivered over 327 Northern Territory Sports Academy Foundations Program sessions to over 613 young Territorians, with over 142 family members involved as volunteers.
  - Invested \$2.779 million in Urban Sports Vouchers with 27,127 vouchers redeemed.
  - Invested \$1.969 million in the Remote Sport Program, funding 14 regional councils and Aboriginal community corporations to deliver sport and recreational activities to remote areas.
  - Administered \$137,724 worth of grants to 35 sporting organisations through the Grassroots Grant Program.
  - Completed the \$6.8 million Laramba ion-exchange water treatment project to improve drinking water by reducing naturally occurring uranium in the drinking water to within Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.



## Goal 3

Our people are valued, empowered and have opportunities to develop and contribute to our agency

- ✓ Invested in early careers programs by hosting 16 vacation students, 7 graduates and 7 school-based traineeships.
- ✓ Supported 9 Charles Darwin University Work Integrated Learning Scholarship recipients with financial support and work experience.
- ✓ 86% of staff who commenced after July 2022 have completed OneNTG Online Orientation.
- ✓ Aboriginal Employment Forum hosted in Alice Springs attended by 120 staff.
- ✓ Elder in Residence developed and delivered a cultural program for youth justice new recruits.
- ✓ Implementation of our new case management system for child protection and youth justice – CARE.
- ✓ Implementation of the 360 View of the Child dashboard, which integrates with CARE to display relevant, read only data on child protection, youth justice and housing for children at our attention.
- ✓ Partnered with Northern Territory Council of Social Service to deliver 29 Risk Assessment and Management Framework training sessions to government and non-government employees. As at 30 June 2023, 980 Northern Territory workers have been trained, including 380 of our staff.
- ✓ New and improved pre-service induction and professional development training has been developed and delivered for operational frontline Housing Tenancy Officers and Public Safety Housing Officers.
  - Launched the department's First Aid Policy and First Aid Risk Assessment Tool.
  - Hosted 2 cadets from the GetSet Gap Year Program.



## Goal 4

Our agency and partners are agile, responsible and focused on our collective impact for all Territorians

- ✓ Developed the Monitoring, Evaluation and Accountability Plan for Action Plan 2 under the Northern Territory Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Reduction Framework.
- ✓ Developed the Investment Management Framework and strategic investment tools to support evidence-based decisions and better outcomes.
- ✓ Commenced negotiation with Aboriginal Community Housing Providers on a number of growth opportunities.
- ✓ Commenced developing the department's outcome framework to align with the Northern Territory Social Outcomes Framework.
- ✓ Completed 6 evaluations on the department's 2022-23 Evaluation Schedule.
- ✓ Prepared 4 new evaluation overviews and 2 evaluation work plans, with accompanying program logics and data matrices.
- ✓ Established integrated office spaces to better service our communities, including in Wadeye and Maningrida with child protection, housing and remote services.
  - Supported 38 peak sporting bodies, 6 sport service providers and 9 active recreation organisations.
  - Supported infrastructure upgrades through the \$28 million Water Security and Water Quality Program and \$87.188 million funding through Indigenous Essential Services Pty Ltd for essential service delivery.

# Performance

Budget Paper 3 Key Performance Indicator	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
<b>Families</b>				
<b>Family Support</b>				
Family support cases commenced	779	1,146	891	623
Contacts with the family support enquiry service	1,661	1,122	1,174	1,127
<b>Child Protection</b>				
Child protection notifications received	25,500	28,304	30,204	27,676
Child protection investigations substantiated	1,319	1,904	1,675	1,512
Children subject to a substantiation within 12 months of a decision not to substantiate	7%	10%	10%	15.24%
<b>Out of Home Care</b>				
Children in out of home care	1,026	968	903	892
Children entering out of home care during the year	226	227	171	151
Children in out of home care longer than 2 years with only one placement in the last 12 months	89%	89%	88%	62.5%
<b>Youth Justice</b>				
Young people under community-based supervision	-	-	150	382
Young people successfully completing community-based orders	78%	57%	36%	55% <sup>1</sup>
Receptions into a youth detention facility	285	294	588	689
Young people in detention (daily average)	24	32	51	51.1
<b>Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence</b>				
Clients provided with crisis accommodation services due to domestic, family or sexual violence	5,737	6,569	4,353	5,186
Unique children with substantiations associated with domestic or family violence	-	-	975	917
<b>Reform Management Office</b>				
New child and family centres opened	2	1	2	1

<sup>1</sup> Proportion is reported as year to 25 March 2023 due to system changes affecting the way orders and completions are counted.

- Data not available, new measure

Budget Paper 3 Key Performance Indicator	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
<b>Housing</b>				
<b>Homelessness services</b>				
Territorians accessing specialist homelessness services	-	-	6,353	5,940
<b>Urban housing</b>				
Household supported to enter a private tenancy	452	163	160	191
Urban public dwellings managed	-	-	5,932	5,850
New households assisted into public housing	447	360	202 <sup>2</sup>	237
Days to occupy vacant urban public housing (average)	97	136	127	165
<b>Government employee housing</b>				
Government employee housing dwellings managed	1,848	1,834	1,846	1,855
<b>Remote housing</b>				
Remote public dwellings managed	-	-	5,497	5,628
Remote public housing tenancies living in appropriately sized housing	46%	48%	47%	47%
New remote housing dwellings and replacement housing dwellings	97	187	142	268
<b>Town camps and homelands</b>				
Contracts awarded to Aboriginal business enterprises	49%	48%	49%	33%
Houses receiving upgrades under the Town Camps and Homelands Infrastructure Program	-	31	201	151
Local Aboriginal workers employed under the Homelands Jobs Grants	248	272	145	145
<b>Indigenous essential services</b>				
Chlorine disinfection performance in remote community water supplies within acceptable range	99.6%	99.8%	99%	99%
Electrical System average interruption duration index in remote communities (minutes/year)	624	396.5	135.1	169.94

<sup>2</sup> Due to a system change during 2021-22 this data is not comparable with previous years.

- Data not available, new measure

Budget Paper 3 Key Performance Indicator	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
<b>Communities</b>				
<b>Heritage, libraries and archives</b>				
Public libraries supported	31	30	30	30
Places and objects on the NT Heritage register	-	-	303	300
<b>Arts and culture</b>				
Grants supporting the arts and culture sector	-	-	275	150
<b>Sport and active recreation</b>				
Sport and active recreation programs supported	-	-	12	12
Eligible organisations registered for sport vouchers	324	298	310	357
<b>Social inclusion</b>				
Events supported to enhance gender equity and diversity	75	66	66	86
Events supported to promote and celebrate young Territorians	173	220	190	218
Events supported to promote and celebrate multicultural community	108	126	102	111
Interpreting assignments completed	86%	94%	82%	55%
<b>Disability services</b>				
Active participants with an approved National Disability Insurance Scheme plan	3,428	4,196	4,963	5,647
People accessing a companion card	430	535	652	1,005
<b>Northern Territory concession and recognition schemes</b>				
NT Concession Scheme members	17,424	17,952	15,776	15,769
NT Seniors Recognition Scheme members	15,317	15,563	15,142	15,858
<b>NT Home Ownership</b>				
Loan portfolio balance	\$153M	\$138M	\$122M	\$100M
Loan accounts in arrears greater than 30 days	4.18%	4.54%	1.55%	4.83%
Additional Territorians assisted into home ownership	52	44	26	10

- Data not available, new measure





# Families



# What we do

We support children and families, offering assistance at those times of greatest need. We recognise the unique and complex social challenges that people and families in the Northern Territory face and provide targeted, culturally safe and intense support to prevent statutory interventions.

When the worst does happen and children enter the statutory system, either through youth justice or child protection, we provide support services focused on getting them safely back home and connected to community.



**Family support services**



**Professional practice services**



**Care and protection**



**Policy and reform**



**Adoptions**



**Domestic, family and sexual violence prevention**



**Youth justice**



**Emergency management**

## 2022-23 at a glance

- \$310.9 million invested in our Families portfolio plus \$13.3 million invested in Emergency Management Welfare Group
- 892 children in out-of-home care
- 526 foster and kinship places of care
- 19 women's safe houses
- 34 Youth Outreach and Re-Engagement Officers and 173 Youth Justice Officers
- Finalised 7 adoptions, approved 11 applications and supported 40 adoptees and birth parents with information about applications

*“To us, early intervention and prevention are not just catchphrases but guiding principles that shape our programs and drive our investments, and they’re delivering real results.*

*While addressing challenges at their roots is not always the quickest option, it is the most powerful. I’m privileged to report a decline in the number of children in out-of-home care for the fifth consecutive year and the continuation of programs that support Aboriginal carers for Aboriginal children.”*

– Deputy CEO Families, Jeanette Kerr

## CASE STUDY



### Ramingining Miyalk Mala Women’s Group

In October 2022, a group of Yolngu women in Ramingining identified the need for a safe space for women to gather and spend time. A space to share old stories, learn new things, and enjoy some activities together. The women wanted to think and talk about how to be ‘strong women’.

In response to this, the Miyalk Mala Women’s Group was formed and has been meeting since October 2022. Several organisations and individuals are participating in this group which meets weekly at our Ramingining Women’s Safe House.

This group promotes the safety and wellbeing of children, provides domestic and family violence support, and embodies the importance of women being empowered to support their families.

Our women’s safe house staff are key members of the group and facilitate gatherings every week, which cover a different topic such as leadership, connection to Country, budgeting and relationships.

The group also hosted an event for International Women’s Day in May. The 3 women’s safe house staff collaborated with Bula Bula Arts to create a beautiful new mural on the wall inside the safe house as part of the event, which other service providers also contributed to. The contribution to relationship building, information sharing, collaboration, and the empowerment of the women in Ramingining is significant.

# Family support services

Our family support programs are targeted at early intervention and prevention to reduce the likelihood of at-risk children entering care. In a jurisdiction where the challenges facing families are diverse and complex, the significance of this cannot be overstated.

Importantly, these services are available to everyone, regardless of their risk level. Meaning families can access these services without having a formal connection to, or open case with the department.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Increased our investment in Family Support Services to \$8.9 million** providing funding to 13 Aboriginal community-controlled organisations, one non-government organisation, and one multicultural organisation, to create community designed and locally delivered family support services in 44 locations across the Territory.

**Received 1,127 calls to Territory FACES** our Family and Children Enquiry Service to connect families with supports and activities in their area. The demand for FACES is seasonally affected with increased calls to FACES and Central Intake during critical events such as flooding.

**Funded Parentline \$0.1 million to provide parents and carers in the Northern Territory counselling and support via phone or web chat.** The service operates 7 days a week between 8 am and 10 pm to support parents with strategies to manage times of crisis, provide parenting support, and promote parent mental and emotional health.

**Engaged the families of 420 children** through our Strengthening Families Practitioners.

**Provided 579 instances of Family Support services** to families across the Territory, which includes intense, targeted support to prevent children entering the child protection and youth justice systems.

**Operated our Remote Family Support Program from our remote women's safe houses.**

This team identifies and supports children and families by proactively working to resolve any concerns of child safety and wellbeing. Funded by \$10 million over 2 years under the Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment National Partnership ceasing in 2023-24.





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### Children's Ground Family Support Service

Samantha\* was a struggling single mum with a history of domestic and family violence and alcohol misuse, which resulted in significant mental illness and worries about the care of her children.

While family had been trying to help Samantha, she was not always open to the support, leading to child protection reports to our department. We engaged local Family Support Service Provider, Children's Ground, and together worked with Samantha to slowly build trust and support her to make a family plan including identified safety goals.

Samantha has stopped drinking and is connecting with additional support programs, which have improved her overall mental health. She is being supported by her family, mother-aunt and father-uncle and is now looking to the future. She is in the process of developing and implementing a plan for when her mental health is impacting her, so she and her children are safe and supported.

"I want to get medical, social and emotional wellbeing support for myself and my children and reengage my children in school."

\*Name changed.

### Anglicare NT Pandanus Project

Lola\*, a young pregnant woman with severe anxiety and depression was referred by Royal Darwin Hospital to the Pandanus Project for support with her unplanned pregnancy and social and emotional wellbeing.

While Lola had a good relationship with her partner, due to her anxiety she had difficulty making friends and was on a waitlist for mental health support.

Lola joined the Perinatal Emotional Wellbeing Group, a partnership pilot program between Anglicare NT Pandanus Program, Headspace and Perinatal Mental Health to support young pregnant women and mothers with their emotional wellbeing.

She also engaged with childbirth education classes run by the program and received support to attend antenatal appointments, financial counselling and crisis accommodation, with funding for a short stay at Christian Outreach.

As an outcome of engagement with the program, Lola was linked into counselling through Resolve and programs including Youth Housing Options and Pathways, Young Mums, Strong Mums and YWCA's parenting support.

Lola contacted the program to announce the birth of her baby and since then has gained employment, which has had a positive impact on her finances. She continues to do counselling to support her through this new phase as a mum.

\*Name changed.

# Professional practice services

This division is comprised of our:

<b>Practice team</b>	<p>who work with frontline child protection practitioners and youth justice staff to build capability through professional development activities. The team develop practice guidance and resources, complete critical incident case reviews and compile information for the Office of the Children’s Commissioner, the Child Death Prevention Review Committee and the Northern Territory Coroner.</p>
<b>Disability and Development team</b>	<p>who work with frontline child protection practitioners to enable access to appropriate funding and supports for children and young people in care with developmental delays, suspected or diagnosed disabilities. The team also manage the Medical and Allied Health Services panel contract.</p>
<b>Specialist Assessment and Treatment Services team</b>	<p>who work with young people in youth detention. The Specialist Assessment and Treatment Services team completes assessments, provides counselling to young people, develops behavioural support plans and undertakes training with youth justice officers. The Case Coordination team supports and liaises with young people in detention, their family, significant others and other stakeholders to develop comprehensive Throughcare plans, which support their transition back into the community.</p>

## 2022-23 highlights

**Rolled out 8 two-day Signs of Safety Integration workshops** across the Northern Territory for our community sector partners.

**Facilitated 100+ virtual practice sessions** on a range of topics that can be accessed by all staff.

**Developed new Child in Care Practice Guidance** and supporting package of resources.

**Developed new Practice Guidance for the Central Intake team** including new templates to align with roll out of the new CARE system.

**Developed new guidance and forms to align with the Model of Care** for our Youth Outreach and Reengagement teams, Community Youth Justice program, and Throughcare planning teams.

**Developed and/or updated 300+ forms** into the new CARE system aligned to Signs of Safety, Safe and Together, Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework and other relevant frameworks.

**Received and supported 514 referrals** for diagnostic assessment and/or therapeutic interventions through the Medical and Allied Health Services panel contract.

**Supported an additional 108 children and young people** in the care of the CEO to access the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), bringing the total number of children in care who have met access for the NDIS to 310.

**Reviewed all assessment tools used in detention** to maintain alignment with the Model of Care.

**Successfully rolled out Signs of Success** in youth detention centres, changing case coordination workflow and Throughcare processes.

**Completed training with Dr Tracey Westerman’s Aboriginal Mental Health Assessment and Suicide Prevention Tool** and implemented it into our youth detention centres.

**Introduced mental health and cognitive screeners** in youth detention centres.

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## Child Wellbeing and Safety Partnership Framework

We know when services and communities collaborate to support a child and their family, children are safer.

That's why our Child Wellbeing and Safety Partnerships bring together community members with cultural authorities, locally based representatives of government agencies, non-government organisations and Aboriginal community-controlled organisations to identify issues, create action plans to address the safety needs of the child, family and community, and carry out actions together.

In March 2023, the Child Wellbeing and Safety Partnership Framework was enshrined in legislation, building on the amendments passed in 2022 to the *Care and Protection of Children Act 2007* to improve information sharing.

These partnerships:

- acknowledge that there are often multiple issues affecting the safety and wellbeing of children that require services to work together to help the family address their wellbeing or safety needs
- enable the voices of local community leaders to provide culturally informed, place-based advice to identify safety and wellbeing risks to children in their own community and inform the response, including in relation to kinship care arrangements.

We have partnerships operating in 22 locations across the Northern Territory.

### Jabiru partnership

Chaired by Red Lily Health Board Aboriginal Corporation, monthly meetings are held with representatives from Northern Territory Corrections, Police, Education, and our department, along with the Jabiru Community Health Centre. There is active participation from all attendees and information on cases is shared sensitively in accordance with privacy and confidentiality requirements. The meetings facilitate prompt and responsive approaches in the delivery of services with increased partnership between agencies as a result.

### Gunbalanya partnership

Held at the school and chaired by the school principal every second Thursday. Attendees include the assistant principal, Northern Territory Police, our department, Gunbalanya Community Health Centre, West Arnhem Regional Council Safe House representative, and Families as First Teachers. The Gunbalanya partnership has been going well over the past 12 months with ongoing commitment demonstrated by the agencies involved. There is genuine shared responsibility for the cases and families discussed. Strong networking relationships have developed because of the trust that has been built during periods of contact, with greater transparency and enhanced information sharing.

# Care and protection

**Our core business promotes and safeguards the wellbeing of Territorians through preventing, identifying and responding to child harm and exploitation. We provide child protection and out-of-home care services, and support to vulnerable families and children, contributing to the foundations for their success.**

We do this by maintaining Aboriginal cultural security with a commitment to provide a responsive and safe place for Aboriginal people where cultural values, strengths and differences are integrated into the governance, management, design and delivery of services.

## 2022-23 highlights

**169 children exited care**, of which 113 were returned to family. 151 children entered care.

**Continued our commitment to providing stability** with 62.5% of children in care for longer than 2 years having had only one placement in the last 12 months.

**Reduced the number of children in out of home care** for the fifth consecutive year.

**Placed 26% of children in foster care and 22% in kinship care**, reducing our reliance on purchased home based care arrangements.

**Invested \$42 million in Intensive Therapeutic Residential Care**, a specialist form of residential care focussed on supporting recovery from trauma and providing specialised care for children and young people with complex mental health, disability, emotional and behavioural issues that may present a risk to themselves and others.

**As at 30 June 2023, 45 young people lived in Intensive Therapeutic Residential Care houses in Alice Springs, Katherine and Darwin.** A further 19 children reside in bespoke care arrangements not identified as Intensive Therapeutic Residential Care placements but are specialist placements for the child's disability and/or support needs, with some of these in remote locations.

**Improved family support services** that help families keep children safe at home, prevent entry into care and support reunifications after care.

**Improved child protection services** that recognise many children and young people enter care with multiple complex and interdependent needs across health, education, disability and behavioural domains.

**Improved case management services that link children to the services they require.**

There were 310 children in care with an active approved NDIS plan at 30 June 2023. This has increased for the second consecutive year (from 185 in 2020-21) reflecting focussed work and prioritising the right services for children and their carers and families.

**All young people in the Northern Territory who have transitioned to independence** have access to after care support until they turn 25.



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### Aboriginal carers for Aboriginal children

In 2022-23, this program found and supported 87 Aboriginal kinship carers to care for 58 Aboriginal children in their home.

The program reflects Aboriginal-led decision-making principles, with the service model 'Child Safe, Family Together' designed by Tangentyere Council and practice tools such as the 'Aboriginal Carer Assessment Tool', collaboratively designed with Aboriginal community-controlled service providers.

Community of Practice forums are conducted twice a year in person with service providers and representatives from the department and in 2022-23, providers initiated online meetings every 2 months to further discuss and collaborate on the program. These forums empower Aboriginal organisational leaders to drive the development and improvement of the program. Outcomes of the forum and meetings include building new practice tools, shared learnings, highlighting innovations in service, and celebrating success.

In 2022-23, 5-year grant agreements were negotiated with 8 Aboriginal community-controlled organisations to provide Aboriginal carer services focused on identifying, contributing to assessments and supporting Aboriginal carers for Aboriginal children.

### The Wanga

In Nhulunbuy, we established a 4-bedroom homestay facility – 'the Wanga' – next to our office, to use as a flexible space for child protection, intensive family support, emergency, and respite care options. For one 2-year-old who was referred to us, this homestay was invaluable.

Two-year-old Rose\* was referred to our department for 'growth faltering'. While health providers had made many attempts to increase Rose's weight to ensure her development, little change had occurred, and Rose was described as 'chronically malnourished'. Being from the remote Yolngu community of Gapuwiyak, our Remote Family Support Worker for Gapuwiyak worked alongside a case worker from Nhulunbuy to ensure the concerns for the child were clearly explained to the family in their first language of Yolngu Matha.

Thanks to their extensive community knowledge, our Remote Family Support Worker was able to identify strengths in the family and safe kinship carers within the community.

To build their skills and support them to meet Rose's needs, we invited Rose's mum, her kinship carers and family to the Wanga, where they stayed for several weeks in a home environment.

During this time, they received intensive and focussed support from our staff and a wide range of other services to meet the case work goals. Most of the services provided to the family during this time were unavailable in Gapuwiyak, making the availability of the Wanga homestay facility in Nhulunbuy invaluable.

Rose is now living back with her mum on Country and continues to thrive in her family's care.

\*Name has been changed



# Domestic, family and sexual violence prevention

**We are committed to preventing and improving our responses to domestic, family and sexual violence (DFSV).**

Our approach is guided by the Northern Territory DFSV Reduction Framework 2018-2028 and aligned with the National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children 2022-2032.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Invested \$37.5 million in the prevention and mitigation of impacts of DFSV**, an increase on \$33.5 million investment in 2021-22.

**Worked with our partners to develop Action Plan 2 under the DFSV Reduction Framework**, including a dedicated monitoring, evaluation and accountability plan.

**Invested \$9.76 million in 28 women's safe houses**, including those operated by our department and those operated by non-government organisations.

**Invested \$11.229 million for crisis accommodation services for victim survivors in 29 locations across the Territory**, and \$1.22 million in 2 men's behaviour change programs and one men's referral service.

**Provided \$3 million to domestic and family violence specialist services wraparound and practice support** such as counselling, outreach services and practice supervision through the Enhanced Specialist Services Grants – an increase on the previous agreement of \$2 million per annum.

As at 30 June 2023, **980 Northern Territory workers have been trained in the Domestic and Family Violence Risk Assessment and Management Framework**. This includes 380 of our own staff.

**Negotiated an expanded National Partnership Agreement on DFSV responses**, including an additional \$0.73 million to the Northern Territory for service delivery to 30 June 2025.

**Established the DFSV Aboriginal Advisory Board** to provide advice and information to the Minister for Prevention of DFSV on improving the prevention of and response to DFSV as it impacts on Aboriginal people, communities and services. This includes information and advice on governance mechanisms, policies and programs, and service delivery.

**Invested \$1 million to implement the Workforce and Sector Development Plan**, including sector support, Risk Assessment and Management Framework training and Safe and Together training.

**Administered \$5.1 million over 3 years in primary prevention grants for 10 projects** targeted at remote Aboriginal communities, culturally and linguistically diverse communities, and the music and entertainment industry.

**Partnered with Our Watch to host a Primary Prevention Officer** to support primary prevention work within government, and with community partners, including establishing the Primary Prevention Community of Practice.

**Re-invigorated the Memorandum of Agreement between Northern Territory Police and our department** on the Family Safety Framework, with regular meetings held between the Family Safety Framework chairs and our department.

**Continued our partnership with Northern Territory Council of Social Services**, with the DFSV Policy Officer position being a conduit between the department and the sector. This has included supporting consultations delivered by the department and other agencies on DFSV issues.

**Negotiated 5-year funding agreements with victim-services and men's behaviour change programs**, providing funding to 30 June 2028. This process has included consultation on new key performance indicators within agreements, to support consistent data collection and analysis.

**Developed capital infrastructure grant funding agreement with Darwin Aboriginal & Islander Women's Shelter** for the construction of transitional housing on new land to expand service delivery.

**Progressed plans for the redevelopment of Dawn House's existing site** to improve and increase service delivery capacity.







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The Community and Place-based Partnerships for DFSV Prevention and Response has funded 7 partnership projects to enhance collaboration and integration among Aboriginal community-controlled organisations and specialist DFSV services to provide innovative, place-based and community-led initiatives to respond to and reduce DFSV.

Tarntipi Homelands Aboriginal Corporation has been funded for 2 years to partner with CatholicCare NT to deliver violence prevention initiatives on Tiwi Islands. This includes on-Country experiences at Tarntipi Bush Camp, workshops, community meetings and the production of a picture book and short video.

In September 2022, local community and staff participated in a 2-day facilitated workshop to design the Tiwi DFSV project to prevent DFSV. One day was held at Tarntipi Bush Camp, Bathurst Island, and the second day at the CatholicCare office in Wurrumiyanga.

Participants were excited and enthusiastic to be involved in this project on Country at Tarntipi Bush Camp. The venue set the backdrop for an emphasis on learning from Tiwi culture, reflection on history and designing effective strategies for the future.

Following this workshop, Tarntipi has been delivering on-Country violence prevention programs with Tiwi families.

The project to date has demonstrated a strengthened relationship between Tarntipi Homelands Aboriginal Corporation and CatholicCare NT, who have been able to learn from each other to increase knowledge on violence prevention in an Aboriginal context. The partnership also provides pathways to CatholicCare NT DFSV services, including referrals for those in community.

### **Maningrida Women's Safe House**

In October 2022, the Maningrida Women's Safe House won the Chief Minister's Award for Excellence in Human Service Delivery for the multi-purposing of the Maningrida Safe House, and Elizabeth (Lizzy) Yirrawala won the 2022 Aboriginal Leadership Medal.

The safe house provides accommodation for women and children escaping domestic and family violence, but also, thanks to Lizzy's leadership, welcomes all women in the community to connect, tell stories and participate in cultural activities. The safe house is also helping to break down the stigma of domestic violence and accessing supports to work through problems in relationships. This approach has seen more women coming into the safe house across all generations, and men coming in with their partners to get support to talk through problems in their relationships. This is no longer secret women's business, it is community business.

# Youth justice programs

Intervening early and supporting young people is the best way to prevent and break the cycle of youth crime.

## 2022-23 highlights

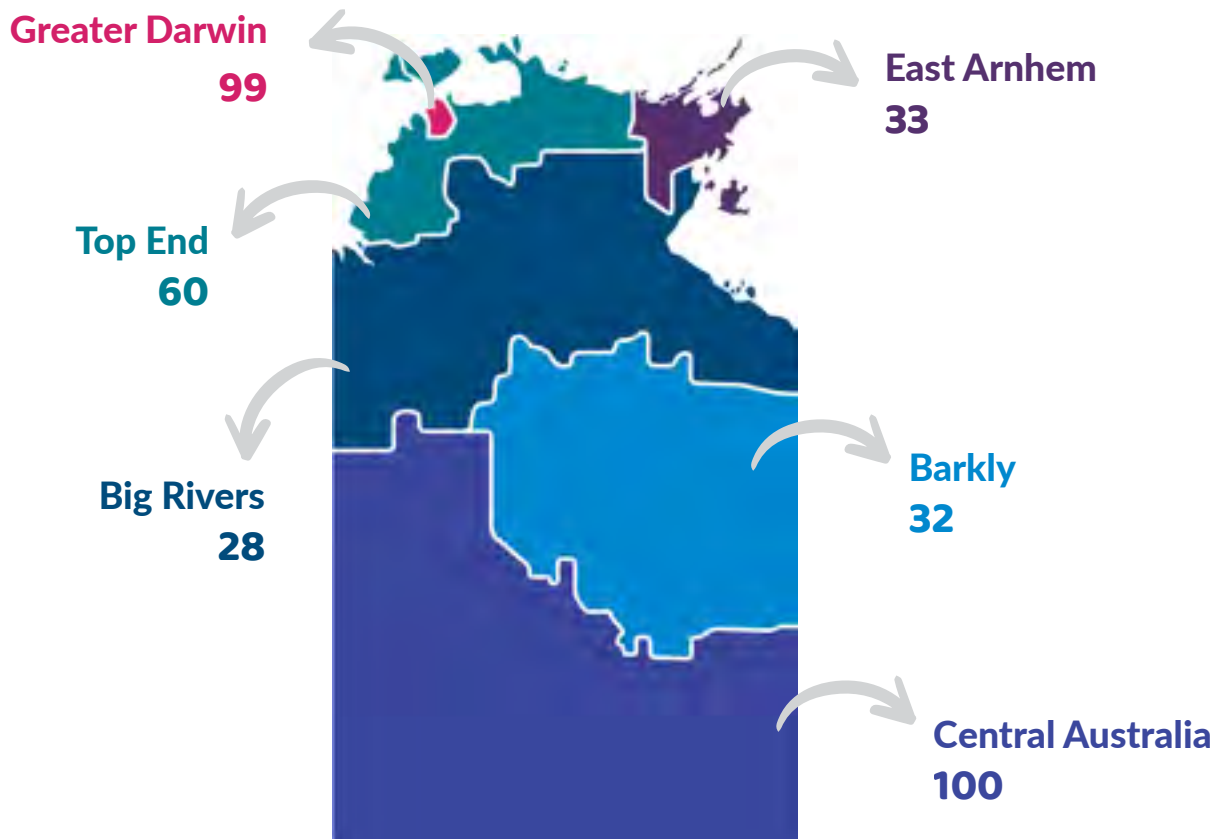


Received **107** referrals to engage young people through our **34** Youth Outreach and Re-Engagement Officers.



Partnered with **24** families through Family Responsibility Agreements.

Funded **13** Community Youth Diversion providers across **60** communities to support young people through formal diversionary processes with the Northern Territory Police. In 2022-23, 352 young people were referred.



**Funded restorative youth justice conferencing** through Jesuit Social Services (JSS) and Aboriginal Resource and Development Services Aboriginal Corporation, which supported 39 referrals and 28 victim offender conferences.

**Accepted 96 referrals to the Back on Track program**, which often works with the most challenging young people and their families.



**Funded Saltbush Enterprises for the delivery of supported bail accommodation in Darwin and Alice Springs.** In 2022-23, 128 young people were accommodated and supported to comply with bail conditions, an increase of 11% compared to 2021-22.



**Funded Jarrdimba Bayamuku Aboriginal Corporation** for the delivery of 4 x 10-day on Country bush camps and 2 x 3-month work experience camps at Seven Emu Station. This year 16 young people attended the short camp and 4 young people attended the long term camp.



**Funded the YMCA for the operation of Palmerston Youth Drop-in Centre**, which provides structured and engaging youth activities after school, on weekends and during school holidays, as well as making referrals for young people and their families to appropriate support services and/or interventions as required. In 2022-23 we also funded **\$130,836** to YMCA for a new/refurbished kitchen at the centre to provide life skills such as cooking lessons.

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### **Community Youth Diversion in Big Rivers**

Kalano Community Association is funded \$1.5 million over 5 years to deliver community youth diversion programs in Katherine, Barunga, Beswick, Mataranka (including Binjari, Miali Brumby and Rockhole).

Through the program, young people participate in community service hours at the Katherine Women's Crisis Centre and Kalano's Community Centre in Katherine by removing graffiti and carpet cleaning. Young people also engage in recreational activities to support positive behaviour and relationships, such as games, painting, dancing and even fishing trips to Katherine Gorge.

### **Community Youth Diversion in Maningrida**

Mala'la Health Service Aboriginal Corporation is funded \$594,000 over 3 years to deliver community youth diversion programs in Maningrida.

As part of the program, 10 young people competed at the Evolution Regional Dance Competition in Darwin. All of their routines placed first and qualified for the National Finals, which they attended on the Gold Coast in January 2023.

This gave the young people the opportunity to show their skills and talent on a national stage. The group has reflected that dancing competitively has helped them to strengthen their skills to encourage and support one another, and has helped set a positive example for other young people in the community to follow their passions.

### **Community Youth Diversion in the Groote Archipelago**

Bushfit Mob is funded \$539,438.94 over 5 years to deliver community youth diversion programs to the Anindilyakwa communities of Angurugu, Umbakumba, Alyangula and Milyakburra.

Two of the young people in the program completed their requirements within 2 months of assessment and engaged in more community service hours beyond their youth diversion requirements as well as numerous hours of activity with local service providers.

This year, Bushfit Mob has been running regular barbering and hairdressing workshops as 'Intervention Pathways', to promote a potential career pathway for young people. As a result, several Intervention Pathways participants have engaged to develop their hairstyling skills under the supervision of trained barbers/hairdressers, at the same time offering a highly sought-after hairstyling service to all community members.



# Youth justice operations

The Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre (ASYDC) and Don Dale Youth Detention Centre (DDYDC) accommodate young people who are on remand or have been sentenced. Our youth justice operations team continues to implement the Model of Care and plan for transition to new youth justice centres in Darwin and Alice Springs.

Programs are delivered within youth justice centres to meet the needs of the diverse group of young people that they accommodate. Programs and activities operate outside of education hours, to provide young people with a secure environment and structured programs to support rehabilitation.

## 2022-23 highlights

### Established the Program and Contracts team

to develop and monitor the range of programs provided in detention centres and their success in bringing about measurable learning and behaviour change.

### Developed the Northern Territory Youth Justice Programs Framework,

guided by the Model of Care, to define what a program, service and activity is, to articulate the aims of programs, and to describe the design criteria of a strengths-based program.

### Progressed the pilot Community Work Program

focused on vocational, employability and life skills to improve training and employability outcomes for young people in youth detention centres. Success of the program was young people displaying consistently positive behaviour and enthusiasm to continue to participate.

### Welcomed Central Australian Aboriginal Congress

to deliver primary health care and social, emotional and wellbeing support at Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre.

### Re-established the Elders Visiting Program

in both centres in collaboration with the Department of the Attorney-General and Justice.

**Youth Advisory Group meetings** provide feedback about current program delivery and have input into programs and services they receive to support their re-integration to community.

### Progressed construction on our new facilities,

which includes comprehensive learning hubs and education precincts for delivery of life skills, training and education programs. As well as medical clinics inclusive of primary health and dental care facilities, specialist treatment services and assessments spaces.

**Our centres welcomed visits** from Northern Territory Young Achievers of the Year, Gold Coast Suns and Parramatta Eels.

### Our centres celebrated events such as

- NAIDOC week
- Christmas Day
- International Women's Day
- Harmony Day
- Easter
- State of Origin
- End of year education awards



## Our centres worked with the following to deliver programs and activities

- Basketball NT
- EZS Professional Services (gardening)
- Tennis NT
- Gymnastics NT
- Young Women's Songwriting
- Balance Choice Sport
- Thereza Hair and Beauty
- Science under the Stars (Aboriginal Science Program)
- Balanced Choice - theatre
- Darwin Chess Lessons
- Sister Buffalo (sewing)
- Dream Impact Inspire (DJ/music and mentoring workshops)
- Inner Door Yoga Therapy
- Red Dust (strong young women's programs)
- Oonchiumpa Consultancy Services (Aboriginal cultural program).



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### Setting young people up for success

Our education and training programs in detention have:

- provided vocational programs including landscaping, hairdressing, cooking and horticulture
- seen high uptake in the Agrifoods program, with approximately 16 young people completing the course and 2 securing jobs with their Vocational and Educational Training certificate
- supported young people to attend Palmerston Youth Skills Centre under a leave of absence to experience different trades - from auto electricians to welding. The one-on-one sessions were a success and several young people have continued attendance following their release as a pathway to a trade
- seen many young people complete various qualifications and licences including first aid, White Card as well as obtaining their drivers' licences
- supported a young person to begin a trade qualification while sentenced and transition into full-time training on release.

In Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre, James\* appointed himself the official unofficial barber for his peers. Upon identifying this passion, we offered James the opportunity to travel to Don Dale Youth Detention Centre to attend the Deadly Hair Dude hairdressing program. James accepted and to ensure he could continue his passion (and support future budding barbers) we engaged Kings Narrative to deliver a barber program in the Alice Springs centre.

\*Name has been changed

### Culinary adventures and sporting greats

Positive initiatives are being well received by our young people at the Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre. Alongside memorable visits from the Parramatta Eels and the Northern Territory Young Achievers, our Youth Justice Officers have been running a weekly cooking program.

The weekly program provides an opportunity for young people to develop their cooking skills. One week saw 2 young people take on the challenge of creating the 'world's largest shepherd's pie', which proved a big hit among young people and staff.

The Parramatta Eels and Northern Territory NRL development coaches and mentors also made a recent visit to engage young people in touch rugby games, skill drills, and a question-and-answer session. Indigenous former players shared their experiences, emphasising positive pathways forward. The Eels generously donated team clothing and gave a shout-out to the participants on NITV.

Members of the Northern Territory Young Achievers also visited the centre, engaging in activities and sharing their personal stories to inspire and motivate the young people, followed by an enjoyable afternoon tea.



# Emergency management

**As the lead department for the Welfare Functional Group under the Northern Territory's Emergency Plan we have responsibility for meeting the immediate essential needs of people impacted by emergency events.**

Membership of the Welfare Functional Group includes government, non-government and Aboriginal community-controlled organisations local to the region where the disaster event occurs or where disaster-affected people are accommodated.

This includes organisations such as the Australian Red Cross, Save the Children, Council of Churches, St Vincent de Paul, Foodbank, the Salvation Army and Aboriginal organisations and place-based services in each region.

**In 2022-23 we responded to 2 emergency events**

## Ex-Tropical Cyclone Ellie

On 22 December 2022, we activated Welfare Functional Group in response to Ex-Tropical Cyclone Ellie and then remained activated in response to the subsequent Tropical Low that moved through the Big Rivers and Barkly Regions and then returned to cross the Western Australian border on 2 January 2023.

The Welfare Functional Group commenced a coordination Incident Management Team in Darwin and the Regional Groups in Big Rivers, Barkly and Alice Springs in response to the Tropical Low.

In response to the flash flooding event that impacted Timber Creek, Muruning, Gilwi, and Myatt Homelands, the Welfare Functional Group provided:

- practical supports including mattresses, blankets, linen, towels, children's packs, cleaning goods, pillows, personal hygiene products and similar items directly to the community for local distribution (on 25 and 28 December 2022)
- power cards to community members returning to their homes
- financial support to the community-sourced and managed accommodation, including payment for all repairs to the accommodation used after residents returned home

- funded bulk purchasing of diesel to ensure electricity and air conditioning to the community-sourced accommodation
- return home basic supply packs, with the department facilitating a line of credit at the Wirib Store to ensure food, personal hygiene and child/baby items could be provided to residents.

The Welfare Functional Group prioritised, when possible, the use of local businesses to purchase supports and meet needs.

The Welfare Functional Group deployed an Australian Red Cross team to Timber Creek from 28 December 2022 to 2 January 2023, with a second team deployed from 3 to 6 January 2023 providing practical support and psychological first aid.

The Welfare Functional Group actioned the assessments for Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements payments for the 11 households that were inundated, assisting residents to replace irrecoverable essential items and actioned 244 payments for personal hardship to those impacted by the flash flooding.

On 6 January 2023, the Welfare Functional Group concluded its Timber Creek response and recovery.

## Kalkarindji, Daguragu and Nitjpurru (Pigeon Hole)

On 1 March 2023, heavy rains and rising river heights resulted in a Declaration of Emergency Situation by the Territory Controller for a number of remote communities across the Top End. The Declaration included the communities of Kalkarindji, Daguragu and Nitjpurru.

Our Welfare Functional Group was activated and the Foskey Pavilion and Marrara Facility were initially established as evacuation centres. Late on 1 March 2023, 10 people were transported to Foskey Pavilion from Kalkarindji.

On 2 March 2023, the Centre for National Resilience was activated in a multiagency effort including our department, the Australian Red Cross, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, Northern Territory Police and Correctional Services.

721 evacuees and displaced persons were accommodated at the centre and were provided essential supplies, services and supports by multiple agencies and non-government organisations including Katherine West Health Board, Department of Education, Australian Red Cross, Salvation Army, Northern Territory Police, the Aboriginal Interpreter Service, St Vincent de Paul, Services Australia (Centrelink), Larrakia Nation, Births Deaths and Marriages, Motor Vehicle Registry and the Royal Life Saving Society, to name a few.

These services were joined by the communities' own Night Patrols, Child and Family Centre and an Australian Red Cross facilitated Community Leaders Group who provided advice and support to the evacuation centre's operation.

Programs and activities for children and adults were established that included sports activities, painting, swimming and church services.

\$9.8 million is the estimated total cost for our department's welfare response to the flood. This includes the operation of the Centre for National Resilience (\$8.7 million) and Disaster Recovery Financial Assistance payments to individuals worth \$1.1 million.

We further supported communities impacted by the events through rent relief, which ensured public housing tenants were not charged rent while their homes were uninhabitable.

After almost 10 weeks operating the Centre for National Resilience, we supported the repatriation of residents to Kalkarindji and Daguragu and set up a new temporary home for Nitjpurru residents in nearby Yarralin. Unfortunately, due to the extent of damage in Nitjpurru, home repairs took several months before repatriation could occur. Despite the challenges, Nitjpurru residents kept spirits high while in Yarralin – even throwing a birthday party for one of our staff members on the ground.



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### Ngaliwany Purrp'ku Child and Family Centre pop-up

After the evacuation of Kalkarindji, Daguragu and Nitjpurru (Pigeon Hole) communities, the Kalkarindji Child and Family Centre (CFC) took swift action to establish a temporary CFC pop-up at the Centre for National Resilience (CNR).

The team formed partnerships with key organisations including the Katherine West Health Board, CatholicCare NT, Anglicare NT and Life Education NT to provide comprehensive support to families in their time of need.

Together the partners:

- hosted family health and wellbeing sessions, providing knowledge and resources to lead healthy lives
- arranged activities and games, providing joy and respite for children and families amid the difficulties they were facing
- provided information about various health and wellbeing services available to them
- prioritised mental health support and trauma counselling sessions for those in need.

These efforts not only provided immediate aid to the families impacted by this event, but also empowered individuals to proactively seek help and support beyond their stay at CNR.

*In the face of hardship, it is the unwavering commitment and compassion of individuals and organisations that truly make a difference. This positive impact will be remembered by the Gurindji people for years to come, serving as a testament to the power of community and the incredible strength we possess when we support each other.*

- CFC Manager Quitaysha Thompson, Kalkarindji.





# Housing



# What we do

**We support people with one of their most basic needs – providing a safe and secure home, as well as support services for those experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness.**

We are stewards of the Northern Territory’s housing system – from managing a significant portfolio of social and affordable homes and tenants, to partnering with the National Indigenous Australians Agency and Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics to deliver new and improved housing stock.

Our affordable housing portfolio allows eligible key workers access to housing with subsidised rent, while our social (public) housing portfolio provides secure, affordable homes for those experiencing vulnerability.

We also support the autonomy and cultural connections of our remote Aboriginal communities through our remote housing and homelands programs, providing maintenance and upgrades to homes in regional and remote areas of the Territory.



## Homelessness services



## Policy and reform



## Social and affordable housing



## Government employee housing



## Indigenous essential services

### 2022-23 at a glance

- Invested \$489 million in our Housing portfolio
- Twenty five Public Housing Safety Officers across Darwin, Katherine, Tennant Creek and Alice Springs
- 11,478 social housing dwellings in 5 urban centres and 73 remote communities (10,401 of which are public housing)
- Supported 5,940 Territorians accessing specialist homelessness services
- Managed 395 affordable homes
- Provided 1,855 Government Employee Housing dwellings
- Funded 2,419 dwellings in Homelands and Town Camps
- Assisted 10 Territorians into home ownership
- Supported 67 established and active remote Housing Reference Groups
- Implemented a new remote rent framework
- Delivered 924 new remote bedrooms under the Remote Investment Package.



*“Housing is a fundamental need for every family to thrive. We’re providing safe, secure, cost effective and accessible housing for Territorians experiencing vulnerability, and supporting key government workers with affordable accommodation options. We’re confident that our advocacy efforts make the Territory well placed to share in increased investment in social and affordable housing in Australia. From reforming legacy rental policies to introducing new technologies and partnering with the community housing sector, we’re modernising the Territory’s social housing system, ready for a pipeline of new works.*

*In addition to planning for the future and shoring up supply, we’ve renewed our focus on tenant engagement and a ‘client first’ approach. It’s a privilege to see so many examples of this working well across the Territory, from well-functioning Housing Reference Groups in remote communities to connecting our urban tenants with relevant support services.”*

– Deputy CEO Housing, Brent Warren

## CASE STUDIES



### Housing Reference Groups

Housing Reference Groups (HRGs) are comprised of members nominated by their local community to make decisions about housing in remote Aboriginal communities.

Our staff travel regularly to hold HRG meetings in community, which provide a primary engagement point for all public housing-related activity and a forum for community input and participation.

HRGs make decisions on the allocation of new housing to people on the waitlist, provide advice on the rollout of new builds (HomeBuild), extensions (Room to Breathe) and subdivisions, and address queries around repairs and maintenance.

In Kaltukatjara (Dockers River), HRG meetings have been achieving great outcomes for the local community, including through:

- unanimous agreement on the allocation of new homes to those most in need
- providing advice on existing homes and those in need of repairs or replacement
- keeping the wider community updated with key housing information.

These groups are vital to our housing operations in remote communities, they help us deliver services that local families want and need and address issues and questions as they arise.

### Community engagement

In Greater Darwin, our housing team have been hosting regular engagement events including:

- with a senior's village on the design and installation of communal tables and chairs around the village to enrich tenants' sense of community and connection
- a series of community BBQs to answer housing queries and connect tenants with other services including local councils, youth outreach teams, Northern Territory Police, Department of Health, Larrakia Nation and other local support service providers.



# Homelessness services

We're collaborating with our sector partners to deliver integrated services such as outreach, accommodation and tenancy sustainability programs that make long-term progress to reduce homelessness.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Extended grant funding arrangements for 19 non-government organisations** to deliver 58 Specialist Homelessness Services for an additional 12 months (to 30 June 2024) to align with the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement and finalising of the National Housing and Homelessness Plan.

### Our funded providers supported

- 691 clients in short term accommodation
- 559 clients in visitor accommodation
- 1,215 clients in medium term accommodation
- 1,242 clients in tenancy sustainability programs
- 354 clients in other support/outreach services
- 1,879 clients in drop-in centres/hubs.

**Activated the wet weather respite initiative** in February 2023 to provide accommodation and meals for 74 people across 2 sites:

- Yilli Rreung Short Stay Accommodation (YiSSA) Batten Road facility – delivered by Yilli Rreung Aboriginal Housing Corporation and Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation
- Crerar Road facility – delivered by Catholic Care NT.

**Engaged with the Australian Government on the development of a new national housing and homelessness plan** to take effect in 2024.

**Assisted the Minister for Housing and Homelands to engage with the re-established Housing Ministers Council.**

**In Alice Springs, our Housing staff undertook regular patrols to engage with rough sleepers and connect them with supports.** This included:

- responding to community referrals from public and private agencies
- visiting areas where rough sleeping occurs
- engagement with specific clients who are known to experience rough sleeping but who choose not to utilise emergency or alternative accommodation.

**We also worked closely with Salvation Army, NT Shelter, Mission Australia and other stakeholders** to coordinate regular assertive outreach community engagement events including:

- fortnightly outreach BBQs with access to free dignity services, including hygiene packs, clothing, Alice Springs Town Council showers, meals and services in attendance.
- monthly service hubs at the Alice Springs Town Library. The service hubs are scheduled monthly directly after outreach BBQs, with services in attendance at the Library ready to support rough sleepers with links to services and information.

**Led engagement with service providers** such as the Alice Springs Accommodation Action Group to coordinate assertive outreach activity and service responses, including identifying transitional and emergency accommodation vacancies.

## CASE STUDIES



### YiSSA Batten Road

Our Batten Road facility, Yilli Rreung Short Stay Accommodation (YiSSA), continues to provide Integrated Supported Accommodation in Darwin, operated by Mission Australia NT and Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation.

Together our partners deliver onsite, integrated services including health, education, alcohol and other drugs, and DFSV support, making it easier for those in need to access the services they need when they need it. In 2022-23, this included providing educational opportunities for more than 145 children at the onsite flexible learning classroom.

This model of culturally appropriate, wraparound supports has resulted in a number of successful transitions into long term accommodation.

### Super Tuesday at YiSSA

On the first Tuesday of each month YiSSA hosts 'Super Tuesday'.

The event brings together government and non-government services to provide residents easy access to support on site.

Services in attendance may include Department of Health, Department of Education, Motor Vehicle Registry, Australian Electoral Commission, Services Australia, Births Deaths and Marriages, CatholicCare's Financial Wellbeing team, TeamHEALTH and of course, our housing team.

On average, our Housing Client Services team assist around 30 Batten Road clients with their public housing enquiries on a Super Tuesday, which supports the movement of clients along the housing continuum, from emergency shelter to secure housing.



# Tenant engagement and compliance

**Our Client Relations and Tenancy Reform team provides advice and recommendations on public housing tenancy matters to support better outcomes for tenants, their neighbours and government.**

We're supporting tenants to succeed in their tenancy agreements by responding effectively to incidents and complaints. We take a firm but fair approach when dealing with problematic or vulnerable tenancies, balancing support to vulnerable tenants who need help to manage a tenancy, with the recognition that all members of the community deserve to have reasonable peace and enjoyment in their own home.

While every effort is made to provide a helping hand, repeated breaches of a tenancy agreement will attract compliance action.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Delivered the 24/7 Housing Complaints Phone Line** to streamline the complaints process for anti-social behaviour and general housing complaints through an around-the-clock service.

- In 2022-23 there were 1,577 complaints substantiated.
- Nine per cent of urban public housing tenancies were the subject of a substantiated complaint.

**Only a small proportion of tenancies are responsible for anti-social behaviour**, and we continue to enhance our compliance procedures to manage it, including by:

- increasing and improving engagement with tenants and refining collaboration between our families and housing programs to achieve improved outcomes for tenants and neighbours
- developing new operating procedures for Public Housing Safety Officers (PHSO).

**Supported professional development for Tenancy Officers and PHSOs** by promoting participation in Certificate IV Housing, with nominations from 38 staff approved to commence study in 2023-24.

**Enhanced the appeals processes** by applying a customer-centric approach to address concerns raised by tenants regarding decisions we make.

**Facilitated ongoing meetings with legal services and advocates** to increase transparency, seek feedback on new and existing policies and discuss legal issues impacting delivery of client-centric housing services.

**Undertook a more client focused approach** to deal with problematic tenancies.

Initiated the **review of the Industry Housing Assistance Scheme**.

## CASE STUDIES



### Clive's story

After falling significantly behind on his public housing rental payments, we gave Clive\* multiple opportunities to enter into an Agreement to Pay and provided multiple referrals to support agencies to assist. Unfortunately, these offers were not taken up so the department looked for other options for resolution.

Our team assisted Clive with a referral to a legal service, who provided additional engagement to steer him to other support services. As a result, Clive was able to engage with financial counselling supports that helped him reduce and ultimately clear all of his rent debt.

Clive remains in his home and is now in a much better situation with his improved financial management skills.

\*Name has been changed

### Tidy Gardens in Alice Springs

Our housing team in Alice Springs introduced the Tidy Gardens Program following tenant engagement in late 2022.

The program offers tenants the opportunity to borrow a fully fuelled lawn mower, whipper snipper and safety equipment for up to 6 hours, as well as rubbish bags and a town waste voucher for rubbish disposal.

Tenants are provided with a safety briefing prior to using the equipment and given a certificate upon completion to recognise their efforts.

The program gives tenants the support they need to take care of their yard, supporting a sense of pride and ownership, as well as positive relationships with neighbours and the community.



# Urban housing

**Our urban portfolio includes both social and affordable housing, which ensures those in our community facing disadvantage or vulnerability, can have access to secure housing.**

Social housing can be provided by government (also known as public housing) or by non-government organisations, such as community housing providers. Clients often have a range of needs and social housing ensures their most basic human rights are met through the provision of housing at a standardised low-cost rent.

Affordable housing provides a hand up for eligible key workers, allowing them to rent a home that is then subsidised by the government to below market rates.

We manage a social housing portfolio of 4,814 urban dwellings. This includes supporting government investment in new builds, managing waitlists and allocations, and providing tenancy management.

Our portfolio of 395 affordable housing rentals includes 383 dwellings head-leased from the private market across Darwin, Tennant Creek and Alice Springs to support workers in key service industries.

Our Northern Territory Home Ownership team operates as a Government Business Division within our department, overseeing the provision of Northern Territory Government home loan products and services to assist eligible Territorians into home ownership.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Supported 237 new individuals and families into social housing.**

**Assisted 191 households into private rentals** through our Bond Assistance Loan Scheme.

**Provided frontline service delivery** through 35 Tenancy Officers and 25 PHSOs.

**Supported 10 people into home ownership through Home Build Access**, a loan administered by Northern Territory Home Ownership.

**Completed the construction of 78 social housing dwellings at John Stokes Square** in Darwin and contracted Venture Housing for long term asset and tenancy management.

**Undertook projects to improve the supply of housing** and ensure our homes remain functional throughout their lifecycle such as:

- **developing our Strategic Portfolio Plan** to maintain, grow and transform our portfolio from 2023 to 2028 and beyond.
- **creating a Strategic Asset Assessment tool** used in all regional offices to support decision-making about how we use existing assets.

- **assisting the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL)** on the design of standardised urban public housing plans for use across the Territory.

**Experienced strong growth across the community housing sector** as demonstrated by:

- **registering two Tier 1 providers** – Venture Housing and Mission Australia Housing NT
- **funding NT Shelter to establish an Industry Development Plan** for the Territory's community housing sector in partnership with Community Housing Industry Association (CHIA) NT and Aboriginal Housing NT.
- **providing seed funding for the establishment of CHIA NT as the peak body** for community housing in the Territory.
- **identifying 2 providers for the first large scale transfers** of public housing to community housing management – 250 dwellings in Darwin and 250 in Palmerston.
- **commencing negotiations with Aboriginal community housing providers** Yilli Rreung and Community Housing Central Australia on several growth opportunities.

- **awarding management of 320 dwellings under the Affordable Housing Head-leasing Program** to Venture Housing.

**Awarded a capital grant agreement with Carpentaria Disability Services** for the construction of 3 specialist disability accommodation dwellings, in addition to 4 awarded in 2021.

**Undertook procurement planning for the redevelopment of Shiers Street** in Darwin and provided possession to DIPL for demolition.

**Released the Territory’s first Domestic Family Sexual Violence Housing Pathways Grant**

for victim-survivors to access safe, secure and affordable housing. The grant will fund community housing providers in Darwin and Alice Springs to head-lease 17 properties and sub-lease them to victim-survivors. Tenants will also receive intensive case management and wrap around support and will also be assisted to plan their transition out of the program into long-term, secure housing.



## CASE STUDY



### New specialist disability accommodation

In 2021, we awarded 4 parcels of land as capital grants to be developed into specialist disability accommodation. Carpentaria Disability Services received 2 and Life Without Barriers received the other 2.

Carpentaria’s 2 blocks have now been developed with specialist disability accommodation homes funded and designed by Carpentaria, with construction by Greenspace Homes. Each of the 2 homes will accommodate up to 3 people, meaning up to 6 Territorians with disability will directly benefit from these 2 new homes.

Carpentaria will also provide supported independent living services to residents in the new homes, to help tenants live as independently as possible in the community.

In March 2023, we awarded a second round of specialist disability accommodation land grants for the construction of a further 3 parcels of land - 2 in Darwin’s northern suburbs and one in Alice Springs, which are in the early stages of planning.

# Remote housing

**We manage a social (public) housing portfolio of 5,587 dwellings in remote Aboriginal communities, which includes overseeing new builds, supporting waitlists and allocations through Housing Reference Groups, and providing frontline tenancy management and support services.**

In February 2023, we implemented a new remote rent framework based on a flat rate per bedroom to increase fairness and consistency in the way we calculate rent.

While most tenants can afford the new framework, we established and are proactively supporting uptake of a 'remote rent safety net', to ensure no tenant is placed in rental stress.

## Build program

Housing investment has been prioritised under the Remote Housing Investment Package in recognition of the significant social and economic disadvantage experienced by remote Aboriginal communities. The investment recognises the fundamental human right for people to have safe and secure housing, to reduce overcrowding in remote communities and the role of government support for housing to close the gap.

Together with the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL), the Australian Government, Land Councils and Aboriginal Housing NT, we're delivering **Our Community. Our Future. Our Homes.** in remote communities and select town camps. The program includes HomeBuild, which builds new homes, and Room to Breathe, which renovates existing homes to increase bedrooms and living spaces.

The program is jointly funded by Northern Territory and Australian Governments' \$2.1 billion Remote Housing Investment Package which includes:

- \$1.1 billion Northern Territory Government funding over 10 years (from 2017-18 to 2026-27) and \$550 million Australian Government funding over 5 years (from 1 July 2018 – 30 June 2023) for new builds, Room to Breathe modifications, Government Employee Housing, and repairs and maintenance
- \$432.8 million Northern Territory Government funding over 10 years (from 2017-18 to 2026-27) for land servicing and essential services infrastructure to support new housing.

## 2022-23 highlights

**\$51.6 million** worth of housing works and services were awarded to Aboriginal business enterprises.

**924 bedrooms** delivered through new home builds.

**53 existing homes received Room to Breathe modifications**, including adding 82 bedrooms and 70 living spaces.

## Remote property and tenancy management

Our remote property and tenancy management program services 5,587 remote public housing homes through joint investment of \$36.2 million under the Remote Housing Investment Package.

### 2022-23 highlights

**Extended our 24 remote tenancy management contracts** under a new Federation Funding Agreement. This will see services continue to 30 June 2024, including the Living Strong program, which provides early engagement and support for tenants to build life skills, gain greater confidence and control of their housing, and maintain their home in a way that supports their family's health.

**Worked with DIPL on the extension of 28 remote housing maintenance services contracts** under the same agreement. This will see services continue to 30 June 2024, including the Healthy Homes program, which promotes preventative repairs and maintenance models that focus on fixing health hardware to support the Healthy Living Practices.

**Undertook an independent review of the Healthy Homes Program** through the Menzies School of Health Research to measure program implementation, service provider performance and inform changes to service delivery models.

**Finalised Housing for Health projects in Alice Springs Town Camps**, Imangara, Wutungurra (Epenarra) and Haasts Bluff, which saw housing repairs enacted following Healthabitat's licensed 'survey + fix' methodology.



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### New homes for Yirrkala

Southeast of Nhulunbuy, the Yirrkala community has an approximate population of 771 residents and will receive 40 additional homes under the Remote Housing Investment Package. In 2022-23 we were thrilled to see the first 6 homes delivered in the new 30 lot subdivision.

The local community has worked together to make decisions about the mix, type and design of homes to support a range of needs for people living in the community.

*“We are over the moon to finally have our own place and that all our kids can enjoy their own room. For the last 5 years we have been living with family and have shared a room with the kids. We can now sit in the living room, watch movies and eat meals together instead of in our room. Thank you so much housing.” – Marie*

*“Thank you for giving us this house. We came from a 2-bedroom unit to this big house. This makes me very happy that I can now live with all with my family and everyone has their own space. I am most excited about cooking for my family on an open fire in my big backyard.” – Mary*

*“It’s been a long time since I applied for housing. It is very overwhelming to have space for my 14-year-old daughter to thrive. I have struggled lately with being able to save my work money due to us living in overcrowding and the constant humbug. I am excited to save now and have the things we need.” – Velda*

*“For me and my family it is really great to have this house. It is something that I have been wishing for, for a long time. We have been in an overcrowded house for some time and it is a huge relief to know I can finally enjoy my retirement after 20+ years of work at the Yirrkala School. My children are very excited to have their own rooms.” – Yalmay*



# Government Employee Housing

We provide Government Employee Housing (GEH) to support the employment and retention of qualified and skilled staff in regional and remote locations.

Increasing the number of staff in regional and remote locations supports the delivery of essential services, including by people who live in, and have developed relationships in the community.

## 2022-23 highlights

### Established the Northern Territory Government Employee Housing Office (NTGEHO).

The NTGEHO took responsibility for the management of all GEH in the Territory, a function that had previously been dispersed across departments, to support a consolidated, efficient and effective system for all Northern Territory Government employees.

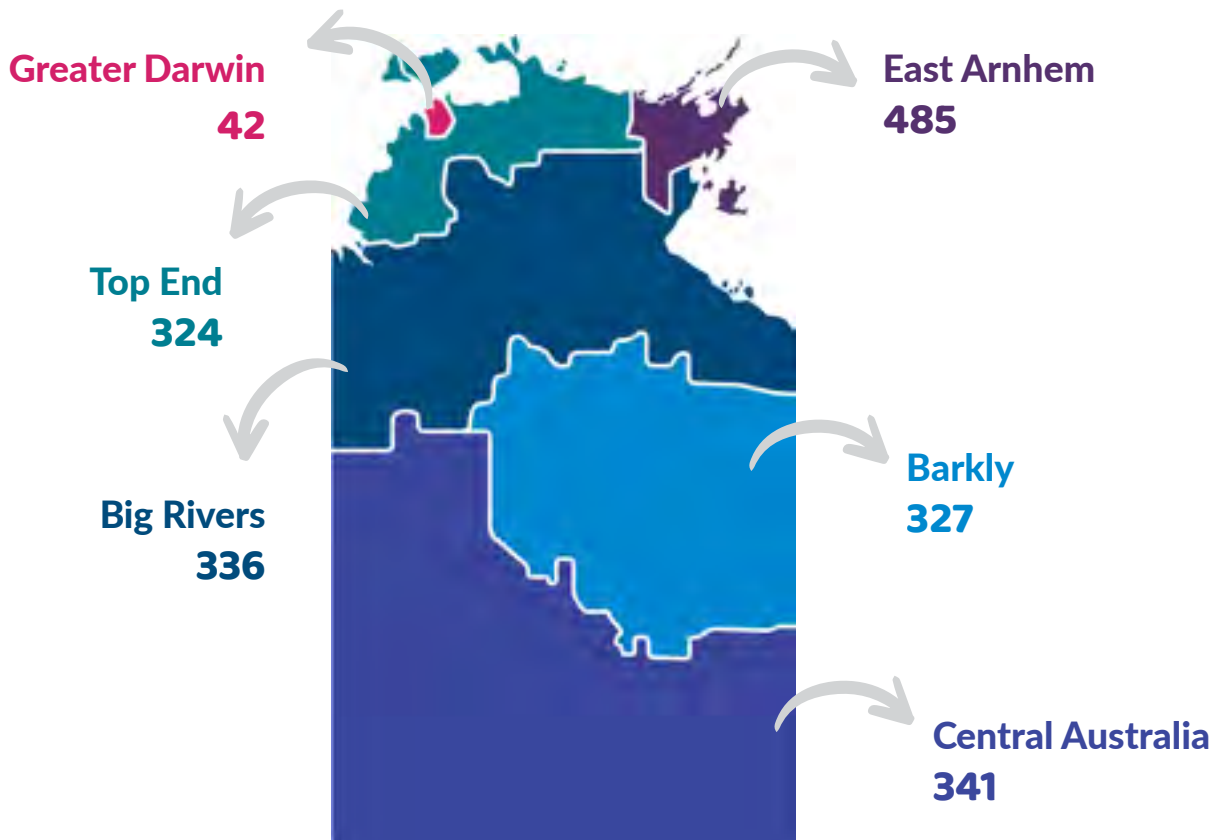
**Recruited and trained tenancy officers based in regional centres** to support the 'head office' NTGEHO team in Darwin to deliver the new management model on the ground.

**Inspected 50% of all GEH** (over 900 dwellings) across the Territory in the first 6 months of NTGEHO's operation, with a strong focus on repairing damage and maintaining high standards.

**Improved the quality of GEH assets** through the repairs and maintenance and minor new works programs.

**Initiated a 'user pays' model**, charging all government departments a flat rate for access to GEH a key plank of the centralised model, which was designed to generate an appropriate amount of revenue in order to support quality tenancy management and maintenance support.

Total: **1,855**





## CASE STUDY



### New housing inspection tool

In 2022-23 the NTGEHO also supported implementation of a new mobile inspection tool, which allowed us to overhaul our housing inspection process.

The new tool replaced the former paper-based approach to streamline tenancy inspections and how maintenance and safety concerns are reported and actioned.

# Town camps and homelands

**We are responsible for the development and implementation of key housing reforms to improve housing outcomes for Aboriginal Territorians.**

To support this, we deliver critical frontline programs across homelands and town camps that emphasise local decision-making and connection to family, culture and Country. Our programs recognise the fundamental importance of safe and suitable housing to the social and economic development of Aboriginal people.

Homelands (or outstations) are small, often remote, Aboriginal living areas outside larger communities and urban regions. They are defined by the residents' cultural or traditional relationship to the land. Residing on homelands is often referred to as 'living on Country'.

Town camps are Aboriginal communities in, or adjacent to, urban centres across the Northern Territory. They are where people have lived and raised their children over many generations. Residents have a strong connection to their town camp and they are highly valued as places for Aboriginal families to live together and thrive.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Finalised the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Audit** through the Advisory Committee on Homelands.

**Established homelands as a standing item on the Joint Steering Committee (JSC)** for Remote Housing in the Northern Territory. This provides policy oversight from the JSC and supports joint ownership and transparency with the Land Councils and Aboriginal Housing NT.

**Signed a Federation Funding Agreement with the Australian Government to** restore federal funding for homelands.

**Established the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program** to deliver Australian Government funding of \$100 million. The program:

- is dedicated to addressing critical housing and infrastructure upgrades in homelands
- will incorporate a collaborative approach to identifying and funding program works in consultation with residents, Land Councils and Aboriginal Housing NT
- will inform future homelands policy development.

**Provided \$53.2 million in grant funding for the delivery of services in homelands,** town camps and remote communities.

**Upgraded 151 houses under the Town Camps and Homelands Program,** exceeding the annual target of 60 houses for the second year in a row. These included:

- upgrades to houses in the Utopia region
- finalisation of electrical and fire safety maintenance upgrades in homelands across the Top End.



## CASE STUDY



### Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program

In response to the Australian Government's \$100 million investment in Northern Territory homelands (via the new Federation Funding Agreement – Restoring Funding for Northern Territory Homelands), we created the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program. So far, we've committed \$25 million in funding for the first year of operations (2022-23), with \$75 million in projects to follow (2023-24).

The Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program is being delivered in genuine partnership with the Territory's Aboriginal Land Councils, with decision-making through the Joint Steering Committee for Remote Housing Northern Territory, which includes membership from the Northern Territory and Australian Governments, the 4 Northern Territory Land Councils, and Aboriginal Housing NT.

Work has already begun in Utopia homelands, northeast of Alice Springs, where AUS Projects NT has commenced work on a \$5.2 million contract to deliver housing upgrades that focus on supporting residents to meet the 9 Healthy Living Practices by improving health hardware and the overall function and amenity of their homes.

These works will build on the \$9 million already invested by the Northern Territory Government across 7 Utopia homelands since 2019-20. We are proud to be delivering a program that supports people to live on Country, and that embeds Aboriginal decision-making to enable Traditional Owners to properly care for and maintain their cultural connection to Country, culture and community.

Moving forward, the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program will be delivering on work identified through regional planning which incorporates principles set out by Land Councils to determine where work is most important.

# Indigenous Essential Services

**We are responsible for the Indigenous Essential Services Program, which delivers power, sewerage and water services to around 38,000 clients in 72 remote communities and 79 homelands across the Territory.**

We do this by providing strategic planning, policy advice and grant funding of \$88 million to Indigenous Essential Services Pty Ltd (IES), a not-for-profit subsidiary of Power and Water Corporation, for annual operational services.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Provided an additional one-off \$6.3 million to accommodate surging fuel prices** to IES to support energy generation for remote communities across the Territory.

**Continued rollout of our \$28 million program with 9 projects completed** to improve water savings, unlock new supply, and reduce the risk of water stress and waterborne disease in remote communities.

**Supporting the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade on the Remote Power System Strategy** that aims to reduce diesel burnt and increase the use of renewable energy in remote communities. This supports the Northern Territory Government's commitment to an aggregate 70% renewable energy use across the 72 IES communities by 2030.

**Unlocked and secured water supplies and improved the reliability of essential services** to support new construction as part of the Remote Housing Investment Package.

**Supported local Aboriginal employment and development through our contracts** – including employment of local Aboriginal Essential Service Operators who perform water quality testing, diesel generator services and maintenance of remote assets.

**In April 2023, we completed the \$6.8 million Laramba ion-exchange water treatment project** to improve drinking water by reducing naturally occurring uranium to within Australian Drinking Water Guidelines parameters.

**Awarded a \$6 million pilot project to install additional solar panels and energy storage at Wurrumiyanga** in February 2023.

## CASE STUDY



### Laramba Water Treatment Plant officially opened

Water quality in one Central Australian community has improved following the installation of a water treatment plant.

The Laramba Water Treatment Plant was officially opened on 26 April 2023, with the ceremonial ribbon cut by the Minister for Essential Services and Central Desert Regional Council President.

This \$6.8 million project is part of our wider \$28 million commitment to improve water quality and address critical water supply infrastructure needs in remote Aboriginal communities.

With a capacity of 360 kilolitres per day, the plant uses proven ion-exchange technology to treat the drinking water and reduce naturally occurring uranium to well below Australian Drinking Water Guideline (ADWG) levels. The ADWG level for uranium is 0.02 milligram per litre (mg/L).

At Laramba, naturally occurring levels of uranium in the water levels historically range between 0.029 mg/L – 0.055 mg/L. Testing of the treated water through the Laramba plant indicates that uranium levels after treatment are almost undetectable at < 0.001.





# Communities



# What we do

**We support the wellbeing and social connection of children, families and the community through arts and culture, providing access to museums, galleries and cultural precincts. We also provide grants to individuals and organisations to showcase the vibrant arts and ancient and contemporary cultural stories of the Territory.**

Sport is the fabric of life for many children and families in the Northern Territory. We are committed to providing more opportunities for lifelong participation in sport and active recreation to support healthy lifestyles and fostering social connections.

We promote the inclusion, wellbeing and prosperity of Territorians through programs that empower individuals, foster community and connection, and celebrate diversity.



## Arts and culture



## Sport and active recreation



## Libraries, archives and heritage



## Social inclusion



## Concessions and recognition

### 2022-23 at a glance

- Invested \$217.8 million in our Communities portfolio
- supported 415 community events through grants and sponsorships with:
  - 218 to promote and celebrate young people
  - 111 to promote and celebrate our multicultural community
  - 86 to enhance gender equity and diversity
- 150 grants to support the arts and culture sector
- Provided grants to 45 community organisations to support events and activities held during Seniors Month
- Over \$7 million invested into peak sporting bodies, active recreation organisations and sport service providers
- 15,858 Seniors Recognition Scheme members and 15,769 Concession Scheme members
- 5,647 NDIS participants supported
- 11 linear kilometres and 179,000 terabytes of cultural collections managed.

*"It's heart-warming to see the uptake of our Communities programs grow and grow. From increased participation in sport, to attendance at events and festivals and engagement with reading and libraries – these are the initiatives that enhance the quality of life for all Territorians.*

*"While many of our programs could be described as 'the fun ones', they also drive meaningful, generational change – a good sport program can lead to increased school attendance, an investment in the arts can drive a local economy, policy that supports social inclusion creates thriving communities – the importance of this portfolio cannot be overstated."*

– A/DCEO Regional Services and Communities, Karen Broadfoot.

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### Northern Territory Art Gallery (NTAG)

The NTAG will showcase the Territory's significant Indigenous and non-Indigenous art collections, host Australian and international exhibitions and provide more space for learning and community participation in art programs, special events and festivals. The new gallery will also free up gallery space at the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) Bullocky Point facility for more exhibitions of natural science, Territory history, and material culture.

Construction of the new gallery is underway and is scheduled for completion in late-2024. It is anticipated that the gallery will open in mid-2025, following the design and installation of exhibitions and displays by MAGNT.



# Arts and culture

We are supporting a thriving arts community in the Northern Territory through:

- grant funding for individual artists and organisations
- the operation of art and culture venues such as the Araluen Arts Centre in Alice Springs
- investing in upgrades to Aboriginal and community owned art centres through the Arts Trail Gallery Extension Program
- investing in infrastructure including the Northern Territory Art Gallery (NTAG) and National Aboriginal Art Gallery (NAAG)
- developing arts policy, strategies, research and providing advice to the Northern Territory Government and arts sector
- building the capacity and sustainability of the arts and cultural industries including support to grow Aboriginal leadership, agency, employment and wealth in the arts and creative industries
- supporting community access and participation in arts and culture.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Invested \$6.098 million in the Northern Territory arts sector** across 150 activities including funding applications from 67 artists, 28 arts workers and 55 arts organisations across the Territory.

**Awarded a tender for the development of the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT) Bullocky Point Master Plan.**

**Invested \$8.035 million to support operations of the MAGNT across its 7 sites** and provided an additional \$1.07 million to support MAGNT to develop the exhibitions and programs for the NTAG.

**Awarded an \$88 million contract for construction of the NTAG.**

**Designed infrastructure upgrades** for the Strehlow Research Centre and Museum of Central Australia in Alice Springs.

**Established a Northern Territory Aboriginal Repatriation Working Group** to provide expert advice and feedback on the repatriation of Aboriginal ancestral remains and secret/sacred objects.

**Over 1,000 works in the Araluen Art Centre collection** that also continued to offer a vibrant art house cinema, theatre and visual arts programs.

**Confirmed that the new art centre for Gapuwiyak Culture and Arts will be constructed in 2024.**

**Continued our investment in the Arts Trail Gallery Extension program** providing \$4.907 million in capital funding milestone payments to support the design and construction of upgrades to:

- Godinymayin Yijard Rivers Arts and Culture Centre (\$3.907 million) in Katherine
- Nyinkka Nyunyu Arts and Culture Centre (\$1 million) in Tennant Creek.

**Progressed the design for upgrades to Buku Larrnggay Mulka Centre in Yirrkala.**

**Supported Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation to complete a feasibility study and business case** for upgrades to Maningrida Arts and Culture centre.

**Held 4 meetings of the Creative Industries Ministerial Advisory Council**, which provides expert industry advice and feedback to the minister on matters related to the development and growth of the Northern Territory's creative industries.

**Provided \$600,000 over 3 years (2023-2025) to Desert** as the Aboriginal peak body for Central Australian Art Centres.

**Provided \$162,695 to Julalikari Council Aboriginal Corporation** to support the delivery of the Nyinkka Nyunyu Strategic Business plan, a priority under Tennant Creek's local decision-making agreement.

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### Araluen Art Centre

Araluen Art Centre continues to be a thriving hub in Alice Springs, hosting:

- 42 theatre performances (13 by local artists or companies)
- 19 visual arts exhibitions (9 featuring Indigenous artists)
- 34 arthouse films and 3 film festivals
- 5 fundraisers for the Friends of Araluen
- Portrait of a Senior Territorian, which received 22 entries and saw first place awarded to Montana Kitching
- Annual Beanie Festival, with more than 6,000 people attending and more than \$200,000 in beanie sales
- Australian Ceramics Conference, which was attended by over 400 delegates.

*"I feel proud to work with a great group of people who value helping to share unique cultural and artistic experiences with the community and beyond."*

- Michael Hayward - Araluen Box Office Manager

### Arts Grants Program

We are proud to have provided a total of \$55,000 over the past 4 years to fund 'stArts with D' to support their Strong Feelings project. stArts with D supports artists with disability to build skills, co-create, collaborate and present disability-led performance works.

In 2022-23, 6 short films developed by StArts with D were selected for the National Portrait Gallery's exhibition in Canberra - Portrait23: Identity.

### First Desert Desert Mob

After transferring ownership of Desert Mob to the Aboriginal peak body for Central Australian Art Centres, Desert Inc., Desert delivered the first wholly owned Desert Mob exhibition in September 2022, which featured 232 artworks from 32 art centres and 227 artists, attracted 10,343 attendees and generated \$519,000 in sales through 180 artworks sold.

# Sport and active recreation

**We support the sport and active recreation sector through investment, training and development programs and infrastructure.**

We are committed to increasing participation for all Territorians, as well as supporting athlete performance, coaching, officiating and expertise in sport.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Invested \$2.779 million in Urban Sport Vouchers** with 27,127 vouchers redeemed.

**Invested \$1.969 million in the Remote Sport Program**, funding 14 regional councils and Aboriginal community corporations to deliver sport and recreational activities to remote areas.

**Officially released the Northern Territory Sports Academy (NTSA) Service Delivery Framework 2022-25** including the Foundations, Futures, Individual Athlete Scholarship, National Selection Grant and workforce development programs.

**Developed the Northern Territory Sport Volunteer Action Plan 2023-25.**

**Delivered over 327 NTSA Foundations Program** sessions (for 5 to 14 year-olds) to over 613 young people, with over 142 parents/guardians involved as helpers and volunteers across the Territory.

**Commenced the NTSA Futures Program** (for 15 to 19-year-olds) in Term 4, 2022. To 30 June 2023, over 50 athletes, representing 22 different sports, have been involved, including 4 athletes in Alice Springs and 2 in Nhulunbuy.

**Delivered and celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Northern Territory Sports Awards** in April.

**Developed the terms of reference for the Northern Territory Women in Sport Network** and held the first quarterly meeting on 22 June.

**Reviewed and updated the Northern Territory Sport and Active Recreation Infrastructure Plan** – Future Design Projects 2022-32.

**Employed 10 Community Sport Officers** in regional and remote communities across the Territory to support year-round participation in structured and scheduled programs.

**Invested \$400,000** to install a cricket pitch, and pitch nursery, at TIO Stadium.

**Invested \$832,038 to replace the seating at TIO Stadium**, which was completed in February.

**Invested \$2.6 million renovating the Arafura Athletics Track**, which was completed in October.

**Invested \$2.9 million upgrading** the wet play area at the Leanyer Recreation Park.

**Invested \$353,308 on safety upgrades** at Hidden Valley Motorsports Complex.



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### Sport program drives school attendance in Ntaria

In collaboration with the NTSA our Community Sport Officers are delivering the NTSA Foundations Program. The program is aimed at improving the holistic development of 5 to 14-year-olds and invites local community members to lead sessions with the support of our staff.

In Ntaria (Hermannsburg) our Community Sport Officer, Nicholas Williams, has been running the program at the local school since 2022. In 2023, he identified and engaged 2 local 16-year-old students, Wilfred and Thomas, to lead the activity sessions at Ntaria School. Wilfred and Thomas have been leading one session a day, 4 days per week, which have been incredibly popular with the students. The school's teachers have reported increased attendance on the days the program runs, and the students have transferred the games they've learned into their regular after school activities.

*"Having Wilfred and Thomas run the Foundation Program at the school has inspired them to go to school regularly and had a positive impact on their peers. The teachers comment on how the students ask them every morning if they are doing Foundations."* – Nicholas Williams - Remote Community Sport Officer, Ntaria.

### Darwin's own Australian Rollers head to Dubai

We were incredibly proud to see NTSA wheelchair basketball scholarship holders Clarence McCarthy-Grogan, Tom O'Neill-Thorne and Jannik Blair compete in the 2022 IWBF World Championships in Dubai.

For Clarence, this was his first senior representation for the Australian Rollers at a World Championship event. He is now aiming to be selected for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games, an opportunity to be the first Indigenous man to represent the Rollers at a Paralympics since Uncle Kevin Coombs in 1984.

# Library & Archives NT

**Our Library & Archives NT unit collects, preserves and shares the Territory's rich and diverse histories, cultures and stories.**

It comprehensively collects the documentary heritage of the Northern Territory, published and unpublished, print and digital, including books, newspapers, government archives, personal and community archives, photographs, oral histories, maps, magazines and ephemeral material.

In partnership with local governments, it also develops public library services to meet the needs of the Territory's diverse communities.

## Our archives:



**11 kilometres**  
of physical collections



**179,000**  
digital items

## 2022-23 highlights

**Supported 30 public library services.**

**Provided free public Wi-Fi in 48 remote communities.**

**Hosted 25 events** attended by 1,556 people.

**Held 3 online events** attended by 1,129 people.

**Developed 2 exhibitions** to:

- commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Overland Telegraph Line
- reflect on the isolation from travel restrictions during the pandemic.

**Digitised over 9,000 items** to add to our online collections.

**Invested \$6.9 million in the Northern Territory's public library sector** which supported:

- 3,494 programs
- 801,069 visits
- 592,184 loans (28% of all loans were ebooks, audiobooks and emagazines).

**Evaluated the Public Library Funding Model**

to inform the public library funding model for 2023-2028.

**Supported grants and programs** including:

- Northern Territory Literary Awards
- Chief Minister's Northern Territory History Book Award
- Northern Territory History Grants Program.

**Prepared for the move to the Education Community Precinct** (Danala) where the new Northern Territory Library will be open 7 days a week, with longer opening hours.

New spaces will include:

- a new children's library to introduce young people to Territory history and cultures
- a dedicated learning space for school programs and community use
- a permanent exhibition on Territory history and culture, a separate gallery for temporary exhibitions, and an events space
- collections relating to the Territory's past, present and future, including lending collections, with new reading and outdoor terrace spaces.

**Reviewed the Connected Communities Strategy and drafted the new 5-year strategy** Libraries Connecting Communities 2023-28.



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### Crocs like to read too

The nationwide Australia Reads campaign is designed to foster reading 'anywhere, anytime' and in the Northern Territory, we took the brief seriously.

So seriously that our own staff member PJ Andrews braved the Cage of Death at Crocosaurus Cove to promote the campaign by reading with a crocodile!

We were pleased to see 14 of the 16 local government area libraries participated in the event by holding diverse Australia Reads events, including at Mataranka Library, where the community gathered to share, tell and read stories together.

The campaign, spearheaded by the Public Library Service, resulted in 30% more Early Childhood library programs and participants in March 2023 compared to the average monthly Early Childhood programs and participants for the 2022-23 year.

*"Books retain a remarkable power to educate, to inspire and to show us different worlds. The benefits of reading are enormous, whether for learning or for wellbeing, but at the end of the day there aren't many better things than burying your nose in a good book."*

- Senior Director of Library and Archives NT, Patrick Gregory

### Commemorating our history

Successful History Grants projects included:

#### **The history and significance of the Gurindji Freedom Day Banners**

by Dr Joanna Barrkman

A history of the Gurindji Freedom Banners, which is the only account of the Wave Hill Walk-off in 1966 that Gurindji people were directly involved in and reflects their perspective of events.

#### **A Horse Named Polly - Creation of an effective Children's Book**

by Betty Franklin

A children's story book told from the unique perspective of a horse involved in one of the greatest achievements in the Territory's pioneering history.

#### **Stories from a Lost Trailway**

by Dr Lisa Stenoff

The oral history of the building of the short-lived Jay Creek Trailway in Central Australia.



# Heritage

**Our Heritage Branch works with the community to conserve the Territory's unique natural and cultural heritage.**

## 2022-23 highlights

**Added Wilkinson's Cottage, Alice Springs** to the Northern Territory Heritage Register.

**Funded 9 projects totalling \$111,000** through our Northern Territory Heritage Grants.

**Undertook a diver-based archaeological expedition** to the wreck of the Japanese submarine I-124 and released a documentary on the project.

**Coordinated a commemorative event at Frew Ponds** to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the completion of the Overland Telegraph Line.

**Facilitated a workshop for Northern Territory Aboriginal stakeholders** on submerged Aboriginal heritage.

**Supported the Heritage Council** including arranging 4 meetings of the Council, site visits and 3 out-of-session meetings. We further facilitated a workshop on best practice standards.

**Responded to 361 formal written enquiries** from a diverse variety of stakeholders.



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### Mapping Mabaluk

In July 2022 the Heritage Branch joined the Arts and Sea Rangers from the Karrabing Indigenous Corporation, Anthropologist Professor Elizabeth Povinelli, and archaeologists Dr Jonathan Benjamin and Dr John McCarthy from Flinders University, to map pre-contact stone fish traps at Cape Ford (Mabaluk) south of the Daly River.

These traps were designed to use the tide to capture and concentrate fish, making them easier to catch. The size and complexity of these traps are exceptional. They were recorded on the ground and by air using drone technology. It's hoped this close collaboration will continue, and the project develop into a larger cultural heritage mapping and management project. These sites are protected under the *Heritage Act 2011*.

### Supporting international reconciliation

After the release of the documentary on the wreck of the Japanese submarine I-124, the Japanese Ambassador to Australia wrote to the Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage.

*"The I-124 is symbolic of the reconciliation achieved between Japan and Australia, and thus the care taken in its management by the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities deserves the highest praise."*

- Yamagami Shingo, Japanese Ambassador to Australia



# Office of Disability

The Office of Disability supports Territorians with disability, including those who are not eligible for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), through:

- providing advice on policy and associated legislation
- monitoring and reporting of the NDIS
- implementing, monitoring and reporting against Australia's Disability Strategy
- participating on national and Northern Territory working groups
- providing grant funding to advocacy, information services and other peak bodies
- whole of government disability policy and program development.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Launched the Territory's first Disability Strategy and 3-year Action Plan** in August 2022 to improve the lives of Territorians with disability.

**Funded peak organisations over \$430,000** to support, represent and advocate for people with disability, their carers and disability service providers.

**Funded support services for 5,647 NDIS participants** in the Territory – an increase of 684 – in partnership with the Australian Government and other states and territories.

**Supported the Northern Territory Government's input and response to the NDIS Review.**

**Facilitated a visit from the NDIS Review Panel to the Northern Territory**, including visits to 2 Top End and 3 Central Australian remote communities. The panel viewed first-hand the unique challenges and experiences of people with disability, carers, and service providers in these communities.

**Commenced a deep dive project in Maningrida**, which aims to improve access and quality of services to the NDIS and supporting services at a local level for NDIS participants.

**Increased uptake of the Northern Territory Companion Card.** In 2022-23, 1,005 people were issued with Companion Cards, which is an increase of 353 from 2021-22.



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### Awards to celebrate inclusion

The 2022 Northern Territory Disability Inclusion Awards provided an opportunity to recognise individuals working in the disability sector as well as government and non-government services, organisations, businesses and programs demonstrating outstanding commitment to improving the lives of people with disability.

The 12th annual award ceremony was held on 11 November 2022 at Parliament House. Thirty-seven nominees from Darwin, Katherine and Alice Springs were in the running for the 5 award categories as well as the Overall Award for Excellence.

This year, the awards were updated to align closely with the Northern Territory Disability Strategy 2022-32. The awards support the vision of the strategy to promote an inclusive Territory where people with disability are valued, respected and can contribute to community, no matter where they live.

# Office of Youth Affairs

**The Office of Youth Affairs provides policy advice across government, coordinates youth programs, and administers grants for young people aged 12 to 25 with the aims of:**

- improving their personal wellbeing, promoting their positive achievements and assisting them to reach their goals
- providing them with positive recreational and developmental opportunities, and helping them to keep informed and actively involved in making things happen in their community
- developing effective communication links between young people, government and the community.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Launched the Northern Territory Youth Strategy 2023-33 during Northern Territory Youth Week**, which was a product of feedback from more than 200 young Territorians, 50 stakeholders and regional visits.

**Further developed our plans for the Darwin Youth and Community Hub**, scheduled to open in 2025, through extensive stakeholder consultation. We invested an additional \$0.4 million, growing to \$1.4 million from 2023-24, to expand youth services in the northern suburbs.

**Continued to support The SHAK** to deliver after hours and school holiday activities for young people in the northern suburbs located at Sanderson Middle School.

**Invested \$2.16 million for young people in Alice Springs** to have access to 2 government funded youth services located at the Gap Youth and Community Centre and the Brown Street Youth Drop-in Centre.

**Funded Tangentyere Council \$2.32 million for the Youth Development Program** through delivery of youth hubs in 3 Town Camps in Alice Springs (Trucking Yards, Hidden Valley and Karnte Camp) for a further year.

**Celebrated Northern Territory Youth Round Table's 25th year** and developed a mentor program for current and future members to connect with alumni.

**Held the Northern Territory Youth Round Table in Alice Springs for the first time** in the program's 25-year history.

**Funded more than \$250,000 for Youth Engagement Grants** including Youth Vibe Holiday Grants, Youth Quick Response Grants and Northern Territory Youth Week Grants.

**Supported school holiday calendars with more than 1,500 activities** listed, 218 of which were funded through our grants program.

**Supported Northern Territory Youth Week with 300+ activities** and \$65,354.70 in funding.

**Funded the Northern Territory Council of Social Service \$170,000** per annum for 5 years for the Youth Voice Project to support youth advocacy, sector capacity building and youth activities.

**Continued to sponsor** the Northern Territory Young Achiever Awards, the All Youth Conferences and the return of the Youth Parliament Program.



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### Young people in Palmerston find their voice

Established as the 'voice of young people', the Palmerston Youth Rep Group is progressing actions in the Palmerston Youth Action Plan to create positive change for young people and families in Palmerston.

Funded through Palmerston Youth Activity Grants, supported by City of Palmerston and run by Zesty Productions, this group is providing opportunities and developing the skills of local young people.

The Palmerston Youth Rep Group recently completed a passion project called the Give Back Backpacks that launched on 22 June 2023.

The project saw 50 tailor-made backpacks put together by young people with many items a young person might need as they go into care including personal hygiene items, toys or fun activities, water bottle, gift cards to help purchase phone credit and a letter from the Palmerston Youth Rep Group.

The bags were then gifted to the YMCA and Kentish Family Services to distribute to young people they support. Items in the backpacks were selected based on a survey completed by young people.

### East Arnhem a shining star of engagement with young people

The East Arnhem Land Youth Model (EALYM) continues to stand out as one of the strongest examples of local decision-making in practice in the Yolngu region. Over 2022-23, the model has facilitated more than 20 activities across 4 East Arnhem communities to positively engage young people, support cultural learning and reinforce pro-social behaviours.

The EALYM was featured in the 2023 World Community Development Conference. This provided a platform for national and international attendees to learn about and draw inspiration from the model, in particular the significance of genuine community-led decision-making and grass roots service delivery in action.

In addition, work has commenced with a consultancy firm to undertake a feasibility study into the establishment of a youth centre in Nhulunbuy. A dedicated youth centre is a key commitment in the Youth Action Plan for the Gove Peninsula and surrounding homelands.

# Office of Senior Territorians

**Our Office of Senior Territorians works to improve the lives of older people by providing information, promoting the wellbeing and concerns of older people and increasing awareness of the issues facing our ageing population.**

## 2022-23 highlights

**Funded the Council on the Ageing (COTA) NT** to administer:

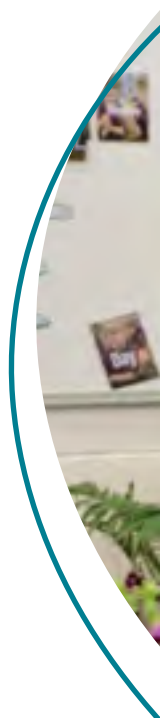
- Northern Territory Seniors Discount Card
- peak body services and advice to Northern Territory seniors
- healthy ageing activities in regional areas
- the annual Seniors Month Calendar
- the annual Grandparents Day in October.

**Funded the Association of Independent Retirees** to support and advocate for seniors in the Northern Territory.

**Contributed funding to Darwin Community Legal Service** to deliver the Older Persons Strategic Advocacy Project, which was focussed on supporting those experiencing elder abuse by providing information, advocacy and referral to other community services.

**Administered more than \$59,000 in grants** to 45 community organisations to support events and activities held during Seniors Month in August.

**Supported 3 meetings of the Minister's Advisory Council for Senior Territorians**, which provides links between government and the seniors' community to improve policy outcomes.





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## Celebrating Grandparents Day

To celebrate the many roles that grandparents and older people play in the Territory, we funded COTA NT to host and coordinate annual celebrations for Grandparents Day, held on the last Sunday in October.

Activities provide an opportunity to recognise grandparent relationships across generations, cultural backgrounds and geographical locations.

Celebrations in 2022 included movie mornings across the Territory, high teas, school 'stay and play' sessions and the Grandest Grandparents Day Ever competition with prizes given to organisations that held a celebratory event.

The events were attended by nearly 400 people and more than 45 event kits were downloaded to help plan, celebrate and promote community events for the day.



# Concessions and recognition

**We support the financial assistance for seniors and concession holders across the Northern Territory through the Northern Territory Concession Scheme and the Northern Territory Seniors Recognition Scheme.**

The schemes exist to ensure those on low incomes, aged pensions or retired, can access relevant services and support at subsidised or cheaper rates.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Invested \$31.2 million to operate both schemes.**

**At 30 June 2023, there were:**

- 15,769 Northern Territory Concession Scheme members
- 15,858 Northern Territory Seniors Recognition Scheme members.

**Northern Territory Seniors Recognition Scheme members spent \$7.8 million through the support of their prepaid card** at a range of businesses. The top categories for purchases in the financial year were at grocery stores, service stations, government services, pharmacies, travel agencies and tour operators. The prepaid card can be used at most businesses - in store or online - and provides a substantial investment to local businesses.

**Renewed our grant agreement with COTA NT for the administration of the Northern Territory Seniors Card** for a further 5 years worth \$1.6 million. This is an important cost of living program for senior Territorians. The Northern Territory Seniors Card provides access to discounts at participating businesses, including free travel on the public bus networks in Darwin and Alice Springs, and a \$55 annual discount on registration of their private vehicle.

## Membership growth:

- There has been an 8.4% increase in eligible residents on the Northern Territory Concession Scheme, and an 11% increase in eligible people on the Northern Territory Seniors Recognition Scheme.
- A membership engagement strategy has been implemented to increase awareness of the schemes, engage new members, and retain eligible members. This includes targeted flyers that have been put up in remote stores and remote government offices in each region.

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### Promoting remote uptake

In Arnhem, our Family Support Team staff Mertelle Murrungun and Helena Lalara have been raising awareness of the different concession and recognition offers to residents on Groote Eylandt and have supported community members like Robyn to complete application forms.

Robyn was the first Groote Eylandt recipient to receive the Northern Territory Seniors Recognition Scheme prepaid card and was delighted to receive the \$500, which she used to buy groceries and treat herself and her family.

As a result of our engagement, we have seen high uptake of registrations in the Eylandt communities. Similar work has been underway in the Top End, where in Nauiyu, all 12 seniors are signed up for the concession scheme.

### Seniors Easter Morning Tea

In March 2023 our Concession and Recognition Unit attended a Seniors Easter Morning Tea at the Coconut Grove Seniors Centre with COTA NT.

The teams were able to answer queries regarding the Northern Territory Concession Scheme and Northern Territory Seniors Recognition Scheme and help complete new applications and renewals for existing members.



# Office of Gender Equity and Diversity

**Gender equality is fundamental to improving the safety and lives of women and girls, men and boys and gender-diverse people**

We are championing gender equity and diversity through projects, initiatives and activities that address inequities and discrimination in relation to gender and help create inclusive, safe communities.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Launched the Men's Places Policy and Program on International Men's Day** - the first of its kind in Australia. The first Men's Places Grant received 31 applications with \$310,953 requested in funding from the \$100,000 available grant funding. Ten projects were successful.

**Provided \$178,128 for grants of up to \$5,000 to support projects that progress the aims and actions of the Gender Equality Action Plan 2022-25.** Thirty organisations and individuals were supported to deliver projects and events.

**Provided \$61,400 in International Women's Day Grant funding** (\$21,000 more than usual) to 32 organisations and individuals for events and activities to celebrate International Women's Day.

**Funded a record number of International Women's Day activities** and events throughout the Territory including 9 remote activities and 11 activities in regional centres.

**Launched 2 new Minister for Equality and Inclusion scholarships for men.** One Higher Education Scholarship for Men in Non-Traditional Occupations (\$15,000) and one Scholarship for Men in Non-Traditional Trades VET (\$5,000).

**Provided a total of \$68,600 for 7 Minister for Equality and Inclusion Scholarships** for tertiary and vocational education and training through Charles Darwin University (5 for women and the 2 new scholarships for men).

**Took part in the first celebration of World Pride in the southern hemisphere in Sydney.** We supported 4 organisations and groups to attend World Pride, including the Sistagirl Project where Galiwin'ku Women's Space took 6 Sistagirls (4 from Elcho Island and 2 from Gapuwiyak) to Sydney for World Pride and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and global First Nation LGBTQIA+ program.

**Provided \$20,000 for a joint funded project with Arts NT for the Territory's Mardi Gras float** 'the Northern Star' to take part in World Pride.

**Funded the delivery of 2 Silver Rainbow Training sessions for aged care and allied service providers** across the Northern Territory. Silver Rainbow Training promotes a better understanding of the needs of LGBTQIA+ people in aged care and provides workers with the confidence and knowledge to deliver an inclusive, best practice service in the aged care sector.

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### Sistagirls take Sydney

We were proud to fund the Galiwin'ku Women's Space to support 6 Sistagirls from Gapuwiyak and Galiwin'ku to attend Sydney World Pride.

The Sistagirls represented one of Elcho Island's most marginalised groups who are most at risk of experiencing compounded and multiple forms of discrimination and disadvantage. This funding enabled them to enjoy the experience of being within a global community that not only respected them, but overtly acknowledged and celebrated them. This experience has fundamentally shifted their perspective on how they can bring their cultural pride to the global community and how they can also inspire, support, and lead their community to having pride in being themselves.

The trip has further sparked the girls' passion for addressing issues of mental health and acceptance, and supporting sexual health education through community education workshops.

*"The Sistagirls were approached by First Nations celebrities, fashion designers, modelling agencies, choreographers, production companies, make-up companies, photographers and other First Nations artists and performers to embark upon future collaborations. The Sistagirls are currently planning a local performance event that will coincide with local football games, to showcase their talents and cultural pride. This will be supported by Galiwin'ku Women's Space."* Faith Makwanya, Galikwin'ku Women's Space.

### A sold-out show for women composers

Through a grant to Arafura Collective, we supported a sold-out International Women's Day performance with more than 220 attendees. Audience members were provided a very diverse program by 5 women composers, including the composition Hayashida Chizu by local composer Netanela Mizrahi, which focused on the importance of voice and giving voice to marginalised peoples.

This grant enabled the Arafura Collective to foster creativity and artistic expression and served as a platform to address social issues and promote social justice. Through their performances and artistic initiatives, they engaged audiences in conversations about equality, representation and inclusion, sparking dialogue and fostering a deeper understanding of these important topics.



# Office of Multicultural Affairs

**The Office of Multicultural Affairs coordinates services and activities across government for multicultural communities, develops and delivers initiatives that promote multicultural participation in the community, and facilitates the contribution of multicultural groups to government decision-making.**

We provide information to multicultural residents about:

- multicultural grants
- multicultural scholarship
- the Minister's Advisory Council on Multicultural Affairs
- community events.

We support diversity and accessibility, strengthened participation, inclusion and mutual respect for the Territory's diverse community, and celebrating the community's achievements and cultures.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Provided \$1.43 million to fund 122 events, festivals, projects and initiatives** through the 2022-23 Multicultural Grants Program. These grant programs and services include:

- \$1.02 million for Multicultural Grants
- \$338,000 for Multicultural Community Facilities Grants
- \$53,000 towards Harmony Grants
- \$14,000 for Charles See Kee Scholarship.

**\$296,685 invested to support 5 capital works projects** under the Multicultural Community Facilities Grants.

**\$55,000 to support 6 sharing arrangement schemes** for sharing of facilities between facility owners and participating multicultural communities.

**Appointed 9 new community members to the Minister's Advisory Council** for Multicultural Affairs for the next term (2023-24) to discuss items that impact our multicultural communities, including:

- future potential multicultural events and festivals
- services for migrants
- issues such as community safety and domestic and family violence.

**Provided \$31,818 to Charles Darwin University for the Overseas Qualification Assessment** service to continue until the end of 2022. The current agreement has been extended for 2 years to continue until the end of 2024.

**Continued to support the Darwin Waterfront Harmony Soiree** to celebrate our cultural diversity and experience other cultures' traditions, cuisines and performances.



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### Harmony Soiree

The Darwin Waterfront Harmony Soiree was held on Saturday 27 May 2023 at the Darwin Waterfront Precinct. The soiree is an annual event that celebrates the Northern Territory's cultural richness, diversity and a display of harmony as a multicultural society.

The event is co-managed with:

- Darwin Community Arts
- Darwin Waterfront Corporation
- Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory

This year, Darwin Waterfront Harmony Soiree showcased 11 community stalls, 7 food stalls and 400 performers, and was attended by more than 3,000 people.

Children joined in a lantern folding and decorating competition, using the folding design on the reverse side of the event poster. Lanterns were judged by staff with children winning waterfront wave pool vouchers, donated by Darwin Waterfront Corporation.

# Interpreting and Translating Service NT

**We work with government and the local business community to support them to communicate with people who speak languages other than English.**

This includes:

- face-to-face interpreting in migrant and refugee languages
- translation of documents such as posters and legal agreements
- providing advice on preparing text for translation into migrant and refugee languages
- voice recordings in languages targeting key overseas clients and prospective tertiary students looking to study in Australia.

The Interpreting and Translating Service NT (ITSNT) has 110 interpreters, and 173 translators, many of whom hold accreditation through the National Authority for Translators and Interpreters. ITSNT offers translation services for 69 languages, with 45 in active use, and provides interpreting services for 42 languages, with 32 actively utilised.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Relocated the ITSNT** to Jape Homemaker Village in Millner.

**Undertook 485 translation requests.** Languages most requested were Indonesian, Thai, French, Vietnamese, Portuguese and Chinese. We received requests from overseas clients in France, Italy, and Germany.

**Fielded 3,244 interpreter bookings.** Main languages were Vietnamese, Mandarin, Urdu, Greek, Swahili, and Thai.

**Clients for interpreting requests** include NT Health (hospitals), Darwin Magistrates Court and Supreme Courts, Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission, Darwin Dental Clinic and Motor Vehicle Registration.

## CASE STUDIES



### Supporting domestic violence reduction

ITSNT has been collaborating with Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission to provide regular legal training sessions on domestic violence laws in the Northern Territory and Introduction to the Australian Legal System for interpreters.

Fifty-five interpreters attended these training sessions, which helped them gain a deeper understanding of these legal matters to provide:

- **improved services:** interpreters were better equipped to assist individuals seeking legal aid for domestic violence cases, ensuring effective communication between clients and legal professionals
- **increased accessibility:** the collaboration improved access to legal aid for non-English-speaking individuals, promoting equity and inclusivity.

### Delegates enjoy the Dragon Boat Festival

ITSNT provided Mandarin and Indonesian interpreters for major events for the City of Darwin with overseas delegations for the Dragon Boat Festival.

This collaboration resulted in:

- **cultural exchange:** delegates from different countries were able to fully participate in the festival and interact with local communities, fostering cultural exchange and international relations
- **enhanced event experience:** overseas delegations enjoyed a more inclusive and engaging experience at the Dragon Boat Festival, thanks to language support
- **community cohesion:** the collaboration promoted a sense of community cohesion by welcoming and accommodating diverse linguistic and cultural backgrounds.

### Translating for economic growth

Translations have been provided for the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade for its Critical Minerals Guide for international delegations from Korea, Japan and Indonesia. The collaboration contributed to the promotion of Australian critical minerals in international markets, potentially bolstering economic growth in the sector.

# Reform Ma



# Management Office



# What we do

The Reform Management Office leads the monitoring, reporting and coordination of whole-of-government social reforms and provides secretariat support and policy advice to strategic committees.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Supported 14 Children and Families Standing Committee meetings** assisting agency Chief Executive Officers to ensure a whole-of-government approach to improving outcomes, and improving coordination and delivery of children and families services. The important work of the committee in 2022-23 included the establishment of a whole-of-government approach to domestic, family and sexual violence in the Interagency Coordination and Reform Office, steering key justice reforms including amendments to the minimum age of criminal responsibility, and improving coordination between economic and social reform programs.

**Supported 4 meetings of the Northern Territory Children and Families Tripartite Forum**, comprised of the Northern Territory Government, Australian Government and Community Sector. The focus of the Tripartite Forum in 2022-23 was the finalisation of the 10 Year Generational Strategy for Children and Families in the Northern Territory and the development of the first action plan for the strategy.

**Supported the development and delivery of the Tripartite Forum's 10-Year Generational Strategy for Children and Families in the Northern Territory** and the accompanying Northern Territory Commonwealth Coordinated Investment Framework, fulfilling a key recommendation by the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children. The co-designed strategy was released by the Northern Territory Government, Australian Government and Community Sector on 3 March 2023.

**Supported 4 Joint Steering Committee meetings of the National Partnership for Remote Housing NT**, which brings together the Northern Territory Government, Australian Government, Northern Territory Land Councils, and Aboriginal Housing NT in recognition that effective and culturally appropriate housing programs and services need to be designed, developed and implemented in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their representative organisations. The work of the Joint Steering Committee in 2022-23 included continued monitoring of the delivery of the remote housing investment package, input into the design of the 2023-24 Northern Territory Remote Housing agreement, and preliminary scoping and design of a new long-term remote housing partnership for the Northern Territory.

**In partnership with communities, worked with Aboriginal community-controlled organisations in Wurrumiyanga and Gapuwiyak** to fund 2 Aboriginal community controlled Child and Family Centres as part of our responsibility to establish 11 new centres by 2023-24, bringing the total to 8 which are now either operational or under establishment.

**Continued to engage closely with Aboriginal communities** and community-controlled organisations on the establishment of centres, which are developed through local decision-making involving nominated community representatives.

**Approved 16 applications to the Child and Family Community Fund**, which provides non-recurrent funding up to \$260,000 per year for communities with a Child and Family Centre to identify and deliver priority programs for children aged 0-5 years.

**Hosted the Territory's first Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Interagency Coordination and Reform Office** for 12 months to develop and deliver Action Plan 2 of the Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Reduction Framework 2018-28.



# Governanc



# governance and compliance



# Our ministers



**The Hon Kate Worden MLA**

- Minister for Territory Families
- Minister for Prevention of Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence
- Minister for Sport



**The Hon Selena Uibo MLA**

- Minister for Housing and Homelands
- Minister for Essential Services



**The Hon Lauren Moss MLA**

- Minister for Equality and Inclusion
- Minister for Youth
- Minister for Seniors



**The Hon Chansey Paech MLA**

- Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage



**The Hon Ngaree Ah Kit MLA**

- Minister for Disabilities
- Minister for Multicultural Affairs

## Ministerially appointed bodies

- Arts NT Register of Peers
- Board of the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory
- Clinical Governance and Professional Practice Committee
- Disability Advisory Committee
- Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Cross-Agency Working Group
- Aboriginal Advisory Group
- Libraries & Archives NT Community Reference Group
- Libraries & Archives NT History Grants and Awards Register of Peers
- Minister's Advisory Committee on Homelands
- Minister's Advisory Council for Senior Territorians
- Minister's Advisory Council on Multicultural Affairs
- Creative Industries Ministerial Advisory Council
- National Aboriginal Art Gallery Reference Group
- Northern Territory Heritage Council
- Northern Territory Sports Awards Selection Panel
- Northern Territory Water Safety Advisory Council
- Northern Territory Youth Round Table
- Public Housing Appeals Board
- Strehlow Research Centre Board
- Working With Children Clearance Screening Authority
- Youth Justice Advisory Committee

# Governance committees

## Senior Executive Group

**Chair:** Chief Executive Officer

**Purpose:** a forum for senior executives to provide timely and cohesive responses to emerging issues.

## Executive Leadership Board

**Chair:** Chief Executive Officer

**Purpose:** assists the Chief Executive Officer to define and deliver strategic and operational priorities, set policy direction and monitor and assess the agency's performance.

## Budget Committee

**Chair:** Chief Executive Officer

**Purpose:** ensure effective allocation and management of resources, to achieve service delivery outcomes, within a balanced budget.

## Operational Senior Leadership Group

**Chair:** Deputy CEO Regional Services and Communities

**Purpose:** responsible for information sharing, whole of operational governance, oversight of key operational reforms and agency priority projects; and identifying emerging future priorities.

## Infrastructure Committee

**Chair:** Deputy CEO Strategic and Enabling Services

**Purpose:** oversight of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics delivery of the infrastructure program.

## Strategic HR Committee

**Chair:** Deputy CEO Strategic and Enabling Services

**Purpose:** monitor and oversee the strategic human resource planning and management for the agency.

## Strategic Information Management Committee

**Chair:** General Manager Strategic Services

**Purpose:** provide strategic direction and risk management regarding information and data management, knowledge management and information and communications technology, including oversight of key projects.

## Emergency Management Committee

**Chair:** Executive Director Families Programs

**Purpose:** fulfil agency obligations as the Welfare Functional Group Leader and as a key contributor to regional emergency response to the Northern Territory, Regional and Local Emergency Plans under the *Emergency Management Act NT (2013)*.

## Work Health and Safety Steering Committee

**Chair:** Executive Director Office of the CEO

**Purpose:** oversight and leadership of the agency's management of Work Health and Safety (WHS) risks, legislated responsibilities and WHS Worksite Committees.

## Aboriginal Cultural Security Advisory Committee

**Chair:** Elder in Residence

**Purpose:** provide an Aboriginal perspective into the business of the agency and leadership to prioritise the needs of Aboriginal people.

## Risk and Audit Committee

**Chair:** External member

**Purpose:** provide assurance that sufficient internal controls exist to appropriately manage the agency's risk, control and compliance framework and advise whether the current level of exposure to risk is acceptable.

## Clinical Governance and Professional Practice Committee

**Chair:** External member

**Purpose:** provide specialist advice on practice and standards to support effective services to clients.

# Our legislation

We are responsible for the administration of the following Acts and Regulations as provided in the Administrative Arrangements Order 2023:

## Legislation

- *Community Housing Providers (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2013*
- *Housing Act 1982*
- *Adoption of Children Act 1994*
- *Care and Protection of Children Act 2007* (except Part 3.3)
- *Domestic and Family Violence Act 2007* (Part 5A)
- *Guardianship of Infants Act 1972*
- *Youth Justice Act 2005* (except Parts 3 and 4)
- *Major Cricket Events Act 2003*
- *Heritage Act 2011*
- *Information Act 2002* (Part 9 provisions about archives management)
- *Meteorites Act 1988*
- *National Trust (Northern Territory) Act 1976*
- *Publications (Legal Deposit) Act 2004*
- *Strehlow Research Centre Act 2005*
- *Carers Recognition Act 2006*
- *Disability Services Act 1993* (except Parts 3 to 7)
- *National Disability Insurance Scheme (Worker Clearance) Act 2020*

## Regulations

- *Adoption of Children Regulations 1994*
- *Care and Protection of Children (Mediation Conferences) Regulations 2010* (except Part 3.3)
- *Care and Protection of Children (Placement Arrangement) Regulations 2010* (except Part 3.3)
- *Care and Protection of Children (Screening) Regulations 2010* (except Part 3.3)
- *Domestic and Family Violence Regulations 2008* (Part 5)
- *Youth Justice Regulations 2006* (except Parts 3 and 4)
- *Information Regulations 2003* (Part 9 - provisions about archives management)
- *Heritage Regulations 2012*
- *Housing Regulations 1983*
- *Major Cricket Events Regulations 2003*
- *Rules of the National Trust of Australia (Northern Territory) 2004*

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for strategic leadership and management of the agency and is bound to act in accordance with the following Acts:

- *Contracts Act 1978*
- *Financial Management Act 1995*
- *Information Act 2002*
- *Procurement Act 1995*
- *Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993*
- all other relevant Northern Territory and Commonwealth legislation

# Legislative reform

During 2022-23, we advanced several reform initiatives in collaboration with other government agencies and community stakeholders. The following section outlines the legislative amendments that were implemented and the reform activities that were undertaken over this period.

## Care and Protection of Children Amendment Act 2023

The *Care and Protection of Children Amendment Act 2023* has now commenced. The reform measures contained in this Act follows the commencement of the *Territory Families Legislation Amendment Act 2021* in 2022 and reflects various government commitments including under Safe and Supported: the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2021-31.

The *Care and Protection of Children Amendment Act 2023* amends the *Care and Protection of Children Act 2007* to:

1. strengthen principles for Aboriginal children, including the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle
2. recognise the rights of children with disability under the jurisdiction of the *Care and Protection of Children Act 2007*
3. empower young parents under the age of 18 to instruct lawyers directly in child protection proceedings concerning their child
4. legislate the Child Wellbeing and Safety Partnership Framework to enhance collaboration and information sharing for the safety and wellbeing of children.

These amendments address findings in coronial inquests into the deaths of Aboriginal children in remote communities, promote child wellbeing and safety, support and strengthen the work of the department's Aboriginal Cultural Security Advisory Committee to embed the Aboriginal Child Placement Principle into child protection practice and empower young people and children in matters relating to them.

## Statute Law Revision Act 2023

We worked with the Department of the Attorney-General and Justice to make minor drafting amendments to the *Adoption of Children Act 1994* to clarify and modernise existing language in the Act. This included clarifying that the adoption process and steps to be taken in considering persons as suitable, apply to a single person as well as a couple seeking to adopt a child.

These changes commenced on 3 March 2023 and do not reflect a change in policy or operation of the adoptions process.

## Domestic and Family Violence Regulations 2008

Twice per calendar year, we update the list of prescribed Information Sharing Entities (ISE) for the domestic and family violence information sharing scheme (the scheme), which is provided for in the *Domestic and Family Violence Act 2007*. Prescription of who can be an ISE under the scheme is prescribed under the Domestic and Family Violence Regulations 2008 (the regulations).

The Scheme aims to remove barriers between services so they can work together to:

- improve safety for victim survivors of domestic and family violence
- facilitate timely action from services, and referrals and collaboration between services
- prevent victim-survivors from having to tell their stories over and over.

The *Domestic and Family Violence Act 2007* (the Act) establishes the Scheme. The Scheme aims to remove barriers to enable ISEs to share relevant information if it is necessary to assess, lessen or prevent a serious threat to a person's life, health, safety or welfare because of domestic and family violence.

In June 2023, 2 non-government organisations were successful in becoming ISEs under the Act. As a result, we are working to amend the Domestic and Family Violence Regulations to prescribe the 2 new ISEs, bringing the total to 15 in 2023-24.

### **Criminal Code Amendment (Age of Criminal Responsibility) Act 2022**

From 1 August 2023, the minimum age of criminal responsibility was raised from 10 to 12. During 2022-23 we worked with the Department of the Attorney-General and Justice to prepare for implementation of these reforms, with amendments made to the *Youth Justice Act 2005* and *Care and Protection of Children Act 2007* to support these reforms.

### **Other Law Reform**

We continue to review legislation administered by the department.

The review and modernisation of the *Disability Services Act 1993* is underway and is considering how the Act can be modernised to ensure people with disability can reach their full potential and support the ongoing development of the Northern Territory as an inclusive community.

The scope of the review has been recently expanded and will be undertaken in partnership with the Department of Health. The review is also considering alignment of the *Disability Services Act 1993* with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and other government commitments. The review of the *Disability Services Act 1993* will also consider the findings of the Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability.

# Access to information

We assisted members of the public and other organisations to access government and personal information. Our assistance included managing formal applications received under the freedom of information provisions of the *Information Act 2002*.

In 2022-23, we processed 393 freedom of information applications, up from 311 the previous year. In addition, we complied with 172 warrants and court orders for production of material.

Request	Received	Completed
Freedom of Information requests	441	393
<i>Family Law Act 1975</i> Section 69ZW requests	73	68
Subpoena (including interstate subpoenas)	12 (1 subsequently set aside)	9
Summons	19 (4 later withdrawn)	12
Coroner's warrant	21	16
Police warrant	69	67

## Our workforce

Our workforce comprised 1,207.99 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) staff in the last pay period of 2022-23. This is a reduction of 72.34 FTE. The majority of the reduction is in the administration stream and is due to natural attrition.

Primarily, reduced staff are in the Administration and Professional streams, which decreased by 47.97 and 21.63 respectively.

Senior Officer positions account for 36% of the agency's FTE staff, which is slightly higher than the prior year (35%). Aboriginal employees account for 20% of our overall workforce which is an increase from prior years.

Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) employees have also increase from 2021-22 and make up 24.4% of our FTE staff.

### Year on year comparison

Classification Group	FY 21-22	FY 22-23
Administrative Officer (AO1-4)	412.75	371.56
Administrative Officer (AO5-7)	392.05	377.19
Executive Contract Officer	32.61	33.55
Executive Officer	5	5
Graduate and Trainee	8	9.51
Other	0.75	0.89
Physical	5	3
Professional	230.84	209.21
Senior Administrative Officer	132.54	135.56
Senior Professional	49.7	48.3
Technical	11.09	14.22
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,280.33</b>	<b>1,207.99</b>

## 2022-23 FTE breakdown

Classification Group	FTE
Executive Officer 6 – contract	1
Executive Officer 4 – contract	4
Executive Officer 3	1
Executive Officer 3 – contract	7
Executive Officer 2	4
Executive Officer 2 – contract	15.55
Executive Officer 1 – contract	6
Senior Professional Officer 2	13.8
Senior Professional Officer 1	34.5
Professional 3	72.38
Professional 2	55.49
Professional 1	81.34
Senior Administrative Officer 2	46.69
Senior Administrative Officer 1	88.87
Administrative Officer 7	111.97
Administrative Officer 6	119.5
Administrative Officer 5	152.5
Administrative Officer 4	263.61
Administrative Officer 3	82.06
Administrative Officer 2	14.72
Administrative Officer 1	4.39
Technical 6	3
Technical 5	5.62
Technical 4	1
Technical 3	3
Technical 2	1.6
Physical 3	1
Physical 2	2
NTPS Graduate / Traineeship	6
School Based Trainee	3.51
Other	0.89
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,207.99</b>

# Training and development

The Professional Development and Training Unit plans, designs, develops, delivers, evaluates and brokers training and professional development opportunities to help build a highly skilled, well-trained and qualified workforce with the skills and knowledge that reflect work best practice and an in-depth understanding and awareness of the clients they engage with in their operational roles.

These professional development opportunities contribute towards the retention of staff and the goal of 'growing our own' staff, by enhancing the skills of our regional and remote workforce, strengthening the professional stream and creating an agile workforce across the sector of human and community services.

## 2022-23 highlights

**Launched the Cross Cultural Online Training Program** to provide comprehensive and accessible training in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, history, cross-cultural communication, cultural security and cultural safety.

**Supported 7 staff** to complete the Diploma of Child Youth and Family Intervention.

**Supported 7 staff** to complete the Graduate Certificate in Safe Communities.

**Supported 38 staff** to complete the Certificate IV in Youth Justice.

**Supported 47 Foster Carers** to complete specialist training topics that focused on working with children and young people with complex trauma, challenging behaviours, foetal alcohol spectrum disorder, the effects of domestic and family violence and mental health issues.

**Trained 381 people in the Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Risk Assessment Management Framework**, bringing the total number of trained workers to 980.

**In 2022-23, our staff completed a range of professional development programs.**

### Induction Courses completed:

- 80 staff - Care and Protection Induction
- 63 staff - Youth Justice Officer Induction
- 14 staff - Public Housing Safety Officer Induction

- 170 staff - Safe and Together CORE Training
- 63 staff - Corporate Induction
- 10 staff - Safe Care House Induction
- 20 staff - Government Employee Housing Induction

### Specialist Training Courses completed:

- 219 staff - First Aid Training
- 52 staff - Leadership for New Managers
- 13 staff - 4WD Training
- 215 staff - Maybo Training
- 38 staff - CPR Refresher Training
- 110 staff - Fire Warden Training
- 79 staff - Microsoft Excel Training
- 20 staff - Power BI Training
- 6 staff - Microsoft Outlook Training
- 10 staff - Mental Health First Aid Training
- 93 staff - Emotional Intelligence and Resilience Training
- 25 staff - Trauma Informed Practice Training
- 19 staff - Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Training
- 19 staff - Suicide Awareness Training
- 19 staff - Alcohol and Other Drugs and Volatile Substance Abuse Training

## CASE STUDY



### Seven new graduates

In September 2022, 7 of our staff graduated with a Graduate Certificate in Safe Communities from Charles Darwin University.

We co-designed the qualification to be tailored to child protection practice in the Northern Territory, teaching cultural security, trauma informed care and how to work with young people experiencing vulnerability.

*"I'm honoured to be employed within an agency that has been so supportive in developing my educational qualifications and career progression. At times it was difficult balancing my studies with work and personal commitments. However, I set myself a goal to inspire my children that it's never too late to achieve, and this was a great driving factor in helping me keep focused on my goals and completing my studies." - Joey McGee*

### Noela's story

*"I started with the department in October 2020 as an Aboriginal Community Worker. Since commencing, I have completed both my Diploma in Child Youth and Family Intervention and recently the Graduate Certificate in Safe Communities.*

*Completing the Diploma and postgraduate degree have afforded me the opportunity to expand my knowledge and skills, which I now use to influence change for children in care.*

*Thanks to the department's commitment to supporting the career development of Aboriginal staff I have been well supported to complete my studies while working fulltime."*

Noela is currently completing the Public Sector Management Program, which provides a Graduate Certificate in Business from the Queensland University of Technology.



# Risk and Audit

**Committee Chair:** External member.

**Purpose:** provides assurance that sufficient internal controls and resources exist to appropriately manage the department's governance, risk, control and compliance framework, and advises whether the current level of risk exposure is acceptable.

The Risk and Audit Committee met on 3 occasions in 2022-23, with key activities including:

- monitoring the management of strategic risks and response to fraud matters
- monitoring implementation of the Internal Audit Plan 2022-25 and external audit activities of the department
- monitoring implementation of recommendations relating to internal and external audit finding
- driving improved reporting on matters relating to internal and external audits, conflicts of interest, gifts and benefits, and investigations of serious and improper conduct matters.

## Audits and Reviews

We audit and review our functions to ensure that structures, systems and controls are appropriate and effective, and to make recommendations for improvement to achieve optimal performance and outcomes. In 2022-23, these included:

Audit	Purpose	Status at 30 June
Value for Territory Audit	To assess the adequacy of the department's procurement controls and to ensure compliance with the provisions of the <i>Procurement Act 1995</i> and supporting Procurement Rules and Guidelines.	Completed
Cabinet Confidentiality	To monitor and assess the secure handling of Cabinet documentation with a focus on breaches at department, Northern Territory Government and external levels.	Completed
Conflict of Interest	To assess compliance with conflict of interest management plans; effectiveness in managing risks associated with disclosed conflict of interests (COI); and to gain an overview of the level of staff understanding around COI responsibilities, particularly among remote staff.	In progress
Araluen Cultural Precinct	To provide assurance that the Araluen Arts Precinct is being managed efficiently, effectively and control arrangements are in place to ensure compliance with relevant policies, regulations and legislations.	In progress

## Risk and Audit

The Risk and Audit function coordinates and oversees the department's frameworks, policies, processes and responses regarding risk management, as well as governance frameworks and internal and external audits.

In 2022-23, we undertook a review of our strategic risks to ensure the actions we take to mitigate risks are effective and to identify any improvements needed in the management of our strategic risks.

In addition, we commenced strengthening and broadening the delivery of assurance monitoring functions through the transfer of compliance-based monitoring processes to the Risk and Audit function. This work will help to support business areas across the department to ensure their processes maintain high levels of compliance and accountability, and to identify any areas for improvement.

# Work health and safety

**Steering Committee Chair:** Executive Director, Office of the Chief Executive.

**Purpose:** provide oversight and leadership of the department's management of Work Health and Safety (WHS) risks, legislated responsibilities and WHS Worksite Committees.

The committee met 4 times in 2022-23, and consulted upon a broad range of WHS related matters, with a focus on:

- reviewing and developing the department's First Aid policy, Remote Travel policy and Fatigue Management policy which are critical areas for the safety and wellbeing of our staff
- ensuring our WHS management systems are in alignment with the Northern Territory Government's
- ensuring we have robust systems to identify, assess and control WHS hazards and risks
- ensuring we are meeting legislative obligations, particularly in regard to effective communication, consultation and cooperation to resolve WHS matters and to achieve legislative compliance at all levels.

## Work Health and Safety

We continue to strengthen our commitment to providing a safe and healthy work environment for all through the development and implementation of the department's WHS management systems and service delivery model. The service delivery model focuses on 4 key areas: **Education, Prevention, Response and Recovery.**

The WHS team played a key role in supporting the efforts of the Welfare Functional Group in response to flooding in the Big Rivers region in early 2023 and undertook 14 worker engagement sessions within workplaces to provide information and education sessions designed to improve awareness, cooperation and reporting. The team also delivered 7 WHS induction presentations to Youth Justice Officers and Public Housing Safety Officers.

## Hazard, Incident and Injury Reporting<sup>1</sup>

We have worked with internal and external stakeholders to achieve improvements in hazard identification and reporting processes, which have resulted in improvements in the department's WHS reporting culture.

In 2022-23, a total of 418 work-related health and safety hazards and incidents were reported.

Of these:

- 41 were hazard reports
- 146 were reports for incidents that did not result in injury
- 231 were reports for incidents that resulted in injury.

<sup>1</sup>Data Source: Northern Territory Government, Figtree Work Health and Safety Reporting system. Data current as at 12/07/2023.

# Compliance with the *Public Sector Employment and Management Act 1993*

Employment Instruction	Action
<b>Number 1</b> Filling vacancies	We mandate recruitment and selection training for all panel members filling vacancies. In 2022-23, 113 staff completed Merit Selection training.
<b>Number 2</b> Probation	We adhere to the NTPS mandated 6-month probation period. Of the 402 commencements in 2022-23, none were terminated while on probation.
<b>Number 3</b> Natural justice	We embed the principles of natural justice in relevant policies, trainings, performance management discussions and resources.
<b>Number 4</b> Employee performance management and development systems	We use the myPlan tool for career planning, with information and templates available to staff on the intranet. In 2022-23, 38% of staff had a myPlan.
<b>Number 5</b> Medical examinations	We engage qualified health practitioners as needed. In 2022-23, one employee undertook a medical examination or assessment for fitness for duty for inability
<b>Number 6</b> Employee performance and inability	We support staff to attend performance management training. In 2022-23, performance and inability processes were managed for 4 employees.
<b>Number 7</b> Discipline	Employment Instruction 7 has been revoked
<b>Number 8</b> Internal agency complaints and Section 59 grievance reviews	Our Employee Internal Complaints Policy and guidelines are available to staff on the intranet. In 2022-23: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8 complaint matters were lodged for internal review.</li> <li>• 20 complaints were lodged with the Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment for review - one remains open and 19 were closed (finalised).</li> </ul>
<b>Number 9</b> Employment records	We maintain employment records in accordance with legislative requirements.
<b>Number 10</b> Equality of employment opportunity programs	Cross cultural awareness forms a part of all our induction programs, from our corporate induction to our 6 role-specific induction courses. Our Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework is embedded in our Strategic Plan and Strategic Workforce Plan, which includes targets for Aboriginal employment. We encourage active participation of staff at events including NAIDOC Week, International Women's Day and International Day of People with Disability.

Employment Instruction	Action
<b>Number 11</b> <b>Occupational health and safety standards program</b>	<p>Our Work Health and Safety policy, guidelines, templates and resources are available to staff on the intranet. In 2022-23 the WHS team completed 14 worker engagement sessions and 7 WHS induction presentations. Additionally, there were 219 completions of first aid training, 38 of CPR refresher training, 110 of fire warden training and 10 of mental health first aid training.</p>
<b>Number 12</b> <b>Code of conduct</b>	<p>We embed these principles through staff induction, training, performance management discussions and in resources. In 2022-23, 373 staff completed Code of Conduct training.</p>
<b>Number 13</b> <b>Appropriate workplace behaviour</b>	<p>Our policy is available to staff on the intranet and behaviours are fostered through training and induction, meetings and promoting NTPS values.</p> <p>In 2022-23, 158 employees completed our Appropriate Workplace Behaviours training and 289 completed OneNTG's Appropriate Workplace Behaviours training.</p>
<b>Number 14</b> <b>Redeployment and redundancy procedures</b>	<p>Information is available to staff on the intranet.</p>
<b>Number 15</b> <b>Special measures</b>	<p>We applied Special Measures to 99.56% of our positions to support the growth of our Aboriginal workforce. In 2022-23, 24% of Aboriginal applicants requesting Special Measures be applied were successful.</p> <p>21% of all vacancies were filled by Aboriginal people in 2022-23.</p>

# Complaints

We value accountability and accessibility and welcome feedback from our community to inform continuous quality improvement.

In 2022-23, we recorded 1,020 complaints, 95 less than 2021-22. The reduction was seen in complaints about youth justice and child protection matters.

There has been an increase in complaints recorded which are categorised as 'other'. 'Other' complaints are varied and disparate, for example regarding sport vouchers and internet publishing errors.

Description	2021-22	2022-23
Child Protection	252	154
Youth Justice	122	30
Pensioner Concessions	11	19
Other	19	51
Housing Complaints*	711	765
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,115</b>	<b>1,019</b>

\*Complaints about services and/or actions of agency or staff, excludes Antisocial Behaviour Housing Complaints.

## Antisocial Behaviour Housing Complaints

In 2022-23, we responded to 79% of complaints about antisocial and/or disruptive behaviour within the required timeframes:

- 4 hours for serious complaints
- 2 days for moderate complaints
- 4 days for minor complaints.

## Children's Commissioner

We maintain a collaborative and solutions focussed relationship with the Northern Territory Children's Commissioner.

In 2022-23, the Acting Commissioner used Notices to Access on 180 matters and gave notice of 23 investigations when discharging her role to monitor the work of the department across child protection and youth justice.



# Responding to climate change

Climate change presents a real threat to all aspects of Territory life, and we are committed to doing our bit under the Northern Territory Government's Climate Change Response: Towards 2050.

The Response identifies 4 key objectives, which we use to inform our actions and guide mitigation strategies.

## Objective 1: Achieve net zero emissions

We are proud to report that several of our offices have implemented sustainable features and programs such as:

- solar panels on office roofs
- upgrades to hybrid and electric vehicles where possible or utilising diesel vehicles for remote travel.

In regions and remote areas where the infrastructure cannot yet support initiatives such as electric vehicles or solar energy storage, we encourage staff to find other ways to be more energy efficient, such as:

- ensuring air conditioning and lighting systems are on timers
- reducing paper use
- coordinating joint staff visits to regional and remote locations that reduce the need for multiple vehicles or flights.

Our significant investment in capital infrastructure is ensuring new buildings and upgrades meet the highest standards of energy efficiency. This includes:

- the installation of solar systems at Mimi Aboriginal Arts and Crafts and Godinmayin Yijard Rivers Arts and Culture Centre through our Arts Trail Gallery Extension Program investments. Mimi reported reduction in power costs of an estimated 40% from the new solar system.
- design of the Northern Territory Art Gallery
- Alice Springs Public Housing Solar Trial.

## CASE STUDIES



### A sustainable Northern Territory Art Gallery

The design of the Northern Territory Art Gallery has strong environmental sustainability features and is responsive to the Territory's climate. Features which seek to provide shade to the building as well as exemplify a tropical architectural aesthetic include the fly roof, large awnings, verandas and shade screens. In addition, the project has been designed to:

- comply with the National Construction Code 2019 Section J energy efficiency requirements
- include a photovoltaic (PV) system of up to 199kVA
- demonstrate a trajectory to net zero emissions by 2050 - the building can be described as 'net zero ready'
- utilise lower carbon concrete products throughout the building structure and pavements, with up to 50% cement content reduction for some elements.

### Solar energy for public housing

- Fifteen Alice Springs households are taking part in a new public housing solar and battery trial, with installation completed in May 2023.
- As part of the Public Housing Renewables Program Trial, solar panels and battery systems are being installed on homes with residents set to benefit from a reduction in their power bills, while also generating clean, renewable energy.
- The trial will produce data and lessons on how various metering types, such as prepayment and post payment metres, interact with the Alice Springs Virtual Power Plant (VPP). Using smart technology, the VPP is a collection of solar and battery storage technologies that govern energy flow to and from power networks.
- The trial is one of several simulations, investigations and trials that make up the Alice Springs Future Grid, a multi-stakeholder systems initiative considering how Alice Springs can achieve 50% renewable energy by 2030. Desert Knowledge Australia is managing delivery of the Future Grid project in collaboration with business organisations, including Ekistica, Jacana Energy, Power and Water Corporation and the Arid Lands Environment Centre.

## Objective 2: Build a resilient Territory

Our Heritage Branch stays informed about international and national discourse on climate change impacts to coastal heritage to ensure the Territory is adequately prepared to respond to similar challenges.

Our commitment to building a resilient Territory is reflected in specific strategies including:

The Northern Territory Youth Strategy with key actions to support:

- youth voice and actions that promote inclusive spaces for young people's resilience to climate change
- young people to be change agents for and design of community infrastructure protecting and safeguarding a future against climate change.

The Northern Territory Gender Equality Action Plan 2022-25 with key action:

- development of government policy and actions will consider and be informed by the gendered impacts on Territorians, including development and planning for the built environment, climate change and emergency management.

In response to water insecurity, we're investing \$28 million in select remote communities to reduce waste and secure supply.

In 2022-23 this included:

- installation of bulk water meters completed in Atitjere, Engawala, Imanpa, Numbulwar, Warruwi and Wutunugurra to identify high levels of water loss to guide water saving works
- installation of smart water meters in Numbulwar and approvals from the Northern Land Council to install Warruwi in 2023, to support demand management measures
- Four water-saving projects in Yuendumu to reduce water leakage and waste, including the installation of bulk and smart water meters, modification of bore pumps and network repair and conditions assessment.

To support our remote public housing tenants with rising temperatures, we include air conditioning as a standard in all new builds and are in the process of retrofitting existing homes with air conditioning systems.

Additionally, we're transitioning remote public housing with evaporative cooling to air conditioning. While evaporative models can use less energy, their reliance on water makes them an unsuitable option in remote communities where water is already limited.

In response to increasingly extreme weather events, our Welfare Functional Group plan for the response and recovery of all hazard events including heatwaves and other climate influenced disasters included in the Territory Emergency Plan through a regionalised service delivery model.

### CASE STUDY



#### Extreme weather planning

Regional planning for extreme weather conditions in our Barkly region includes:

- safety planning for staff wellbeing
- emergency management planning to ensure sufficient coverage to respond to events
- support for all staff to join the Northern Territory Fire and Rescue Service.

### Objective 3: Unlock opportunities from a low carbon future

We're working closely with the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade to increase solar generation and maintain reliability of power supplies across the Territory. This includes working towards a target of 70% renewable energy power supply for Indigenous Essential Services communities by 2030. This has included:

- the Solar Energy Transformation Program, which decreased reliance on diesel powered electrical generation by approximately 3.5 million litres
- a \$6 million pilot project to install additional solar panels and energy storage in Wurrumiyanga.

We're committed to undertaking procurement activities and working with organisations that support the Northern Territory's climate targets. In 2022-23 this included awarding the:

- cleaning contract for our youth detention centres to a provider with triple certification in ISO standards for environmental management.
- meal provider contract for our youth detention centres to a provider that uses eco-friendly materials.

### Objective 4: Inform and involve all Territorians

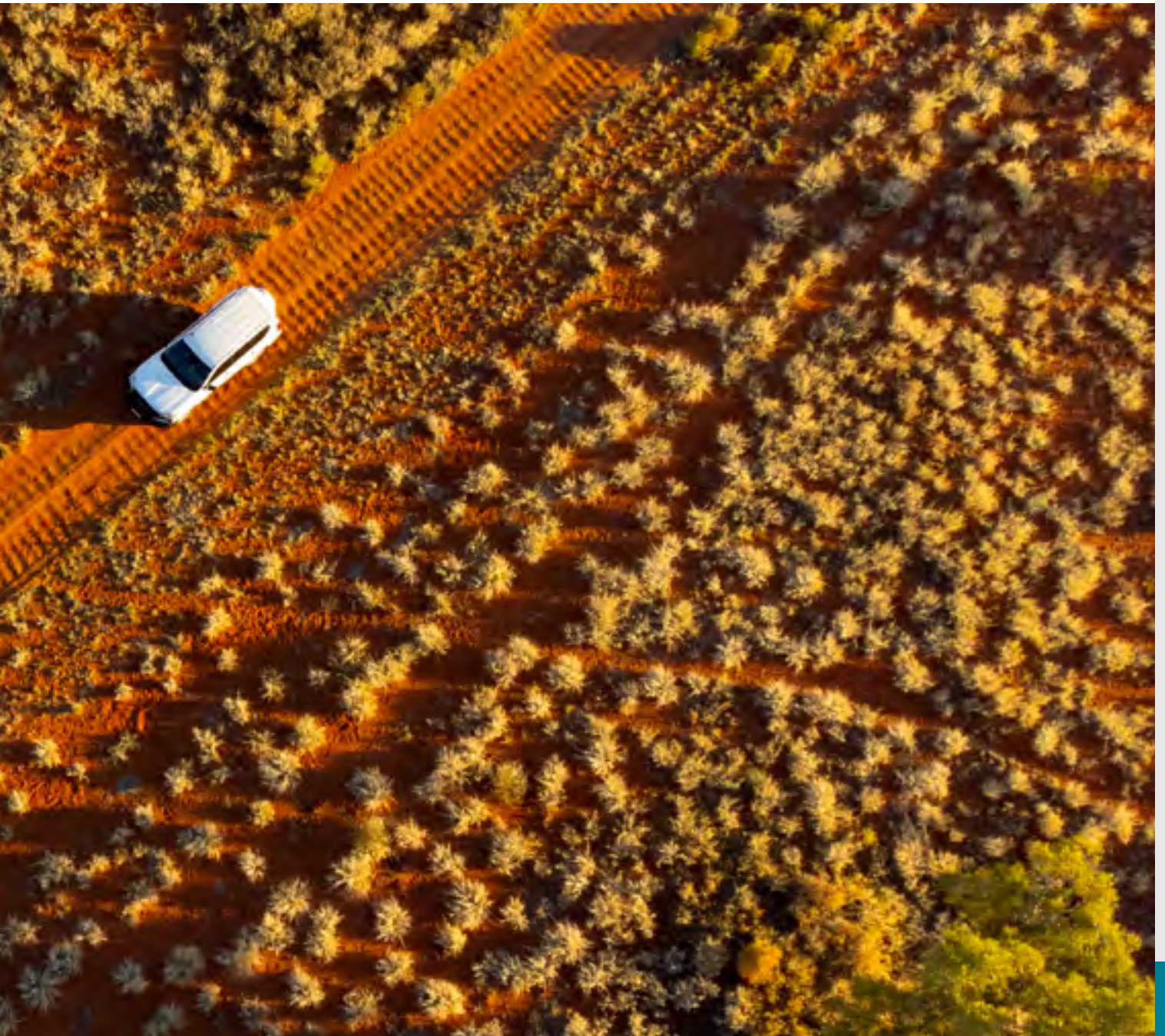
Our Climate Change Champion and 2 Climate Change Coordinators participate in and contribute to the network and meetings led by the Office of Climate Change Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security.

Our Housing Officers, along with our contracted Remote Tenancy Support Providers educate tenants on electricity and water use and encourage them to reduce consumption through everyday behaviours and through the early reporting of repairs and maintenance.

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# Financial statements



## Agency overview

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The primary objective of Territory Families, Housing and Communities is to provide support services across child protection, domestic, family and sexual violence, youth justice services, housing, homelessness, social inclusion, sport and active recreation and to support arts, culture, heritage, libraries and archives in the Northern Territory.

Territory Families, Housing and Communities' financial performance for the year and its financial position as at 30 June 2023 are reported in the following financial statements and consists of a Comprehensive Operating Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity, and Cash Flow Statement, and the notes accompanying these statements.

The agency's output groups are:

- Families
- Housing
- Communities
- Corporate and Shared Services

Note 3 of the financial statements outlines the Comprehensive Operating Statement by output groups.

# Summary of financial performance

## Budget Performance

In 2022-23, the Department had an original Budget of \$1.107 billion which increased to \$1.180 billion across the year. The increase of \$72.5 million was predominately related to additional budget for:

- **\$25 million** for Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program;
- **\$16 million** for out of home care placements funding;
- **\$6.3 million** for Indigenous essential services - diesel price pressures;
- **\$5.9 million** for the remote rent framework implementation;
- **\$5.0 million** for Community Housing Providers;
- **\$4.6 million** for urban housing cost pressures;
- **\$3.7 million** for the National Iconic Arts Trail program;
- **\$3.0 million** for the Wadeye wet weather response;
- **\$2.3 million** for the continuation of the Alice Springs youth development model;
- **\$1.7 million** for the Emu Point housing upgrade project;
- **\$1.5 million** for the National Aboriginal Art Gallery implementation;
- **\$1.3 million** for youth detention centre operations – staffing and model of care;
- **\$1.2 million** for Domestic Family & Sexual Violence; and
- **\$0.4 million** for the National Energy Bill Relief Program.

These increases were partially offset by reductions for:

- **\$4.9 million** related to delays in the Barkly Regional Deal investment.

# 2022-23 budget and expenditure by output group

	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>Families</b>	<b>311 117</b>	<b>323 264</b>	<b>310 902</b>	<b>12 362</b>
Child protection	24 540	27 719	21 698	6 021
Family support	22 302	22 336	26 757	(4 421)
Out of home care	119 414	136 213	135 024	1 189
Youth justice	76 723	81 106	78 245	2 861
Domestic, family and sexual violence	54 143	38 459	37 497	962
Reform Management Office	13 995	17 432	11 681	5 751
<b>Housing</b>	<b>444 081</b>	<b>482 438</b>	<b>488 971</b>	<b>(6 533)</b>
Homelessness services	40 398	40 114	38 290	1 824
Urban housing	106 016	108 281	112 688	(4 407)
Remote housing	120 115	126 327	144 094	(17 767)
Town camps and homelands	48 702	72 481	59 340	13 141
Government employee housing	46 785	47 358	46 679	679
Indigenous essential services	82 065	87 878	87 880	(2)
<b>Communities</b>	<b>233 975</b>	<b>237 017</b>	<b>217 789</b>	<b>19 228</b>
Arts and culture	27 083	31 539	32 347	(808)
Heritage, libraries and archives	12 670	12 310	12 782	(472)
Sport and active recreation	37 531	35 203	35 792	(589)
Social inclusion	4 802	5 577	5 851	(274)
Disability services	119 599	108 923	88 686	20 237
Northern Territory concession and recognition schemes	31 593	31 195	29 013	2 182
Emergency management welfare group	697	12 270	13 318	(1 048)
<b>Corporate and shared services</b>	<b>118 303</b>	<b>137 292</b>	<b>151 897</b>	<b>(14 605)</b>
<b>Corporate and governance</b>	<b>16 698</b>	<b>18 430</b>	<b>13 306</b>	<b>5 124</b>
<b>Shared services received</b>	<b>101 605</b>	<b>118 862</b>	<b>138 591</b>	<b>(19 729)</b>
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>1 107 476</b>	<b>1 180 012</b>	<b>1 169 559</b>	<b>10 453</b>

## Budget performances

Territory Families, Housing and Communities final expenditure result was \$1.169 billion, resulting in a below budget position of \$10.453 million or 0.9 per cent against the final budget of \$1.180 billion.

The below budget result is primarily due to the following underspends:

- **\$6.4 million** in employee expenditure primarily due to delays in recruitment of youth justice officers;
- **\$20.2 million** in Disability Services due to reduced payments for the NDIS due to an increase in the in kind offset;
- **\$13 million** in Town camps and homelands primarily due to underspends in the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program (\$12.1 million);
- delays in the implementation of the Barkly Regional Deal (**\$1 million**); and
- under utilisation of the NT Concession Scheme (**\$3.0 million**).

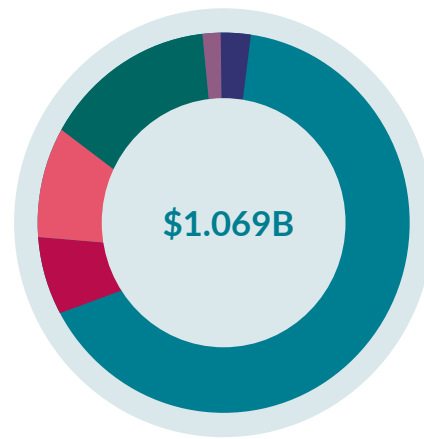
These below budget results are partially offset by:

- Shared services increased repairs and maintenance performed by the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (**\$24.7 million**) offset by lower notional charges from the Department of Corporate and Digital Development (**\$5 million**);
- **\$15 million** in remote housing; and
- emergency management welfare group response **\$1 million**.

## Operating revenue

Operating revenue for the financial year was \$1.067 billion. The agency is dependent on government appropriations with the Northern Territory Government contributing \$707.1 million and the Commonwealth \$72.6 million.

The other main source of revenue for the agency is goods and services revenue of \$119.4 million for housing tenancy charges.



- **\$1.2M** Current Grants
- **\$707.1M** NT Output Appropriation
- **\$72.6M** Commonwealth Appropriation
- **\$119.4M** Sales of goods and services revenue
- **\$167.1M** Goods and services received free of charge
- **\$2.3M** Other income

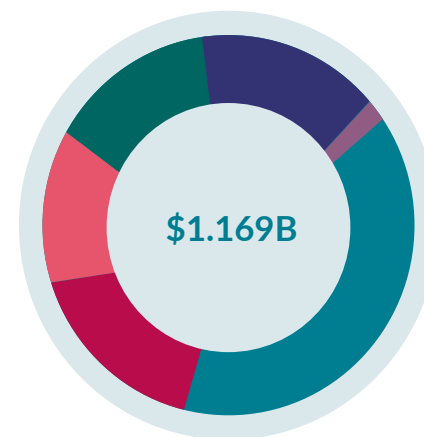
## Operating expenses

The Department's operating expenses were \$1.169 billion. The payment of grants and subsidies contributed to \$395.8 million or 33.8 per cent of total operating expenses. These were largely grants to meet the NT's Commitments to the NDIS, support for the Indigenous Essential Services, non-government organisation partners, senior concession scheme and the Homelands Housing Infrastructure Program.

Employee expense was \$165.7 million or 14.2 per cent of total operating expenses, with purchase of goods and services expenditure being \$160.0 million or 13.7 per cent.

Interest expense from borrowings and finance leases was \$9.7 million. The remainder of operational expenses were directly related to property management of \$67.1 million, including water and sewerage, rates and lease charges.

Non-cash asset expenses were \$183.9 million in depreciation and amortisation and \$187.4 million in other administrative expenses, which includes services received free of charge from the Department of Corporate and Digital Development and Department of Infrastructure Planning and Logistics and other non-cash asset related expenses.



- **\$9.7M** Interest expenses
- **\$395.8M** Grants and subsidies
- **\$165.7M** Employee expenses
- **\$160.0M** Purchases of goods and services
- **\$183.9M** Depreciation and amortisation
- **\$187.4M** Other administrative expenses

## Operating result

### Balance sheet

The balance sheet shows the Department's net worth and financial position. The Department held total assets worth \$4.3 billion at 30 June 2023, consisting mainly of \$3.5 billion of public housing assets. Total liabilities is \$243.2 million, which consists mainly of borrowings from NT Treasury Corporation of \$55 million and lease liabilities of \$79.4 million.

### Cash flow statement

The cash flow statement represents cash received and used during the year from the department's operating, investing and financing activities. As at 30 June 2023, the Department held \$154 million in cash and deposits.

## Certification of the financial statements

We certify that the attached financial statements for the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities have been prepared based on proper accounts and records in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and with the requirements as prescribed in the *Financial Management Act 1995* and *Treasurer's Directions*.

We further state that the information set out in the comprehensive operating statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement, and notes to and forming part of the financial statements, presents fairly the financial performance and cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2023 and the financial position on that date.

At the time of signing, we are not aware of any circumstances that would render the particulars included in the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.



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**Emma White**  
Acting Chief Executive Officer  
31 August 2023



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**Rachelle McMillan**  
Acting Chief Financial Officer  
31 August 2023

# Comprehensive operating statement

For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$000	2022 \$000
<b>INCOME</b>			
Grants and subsidies revenue			
Current	4	1 223	21 161
Appropriation	5		
Output		707 054	665 292
Commonwealth		72 630	36 744
Sales of goods and services	6	119 375	98 358
Goods and services received free of charge	7	167 136	113 047
Gain on disposal of assets	8	-	691
Other income	9	2 304	2 896
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1 069 722</b>	<b>938 189</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Employee expenses		165 676	174 639
Administrative expenses			
Property management		67 075	70 906
Purchases of goods and services	10	159 954	141 886
Depreciation and amortisation	20	183 907	177 122
Other administrative expenses <sup>1</sup>		175 903	103 673
Grants and subsidies expenses			
Current	11a	326 167	403 352
Capital	11b	52 609	45 382
Community service obligations	11c	17 011	18 338
Interest expenses	12	9 730	9 959
Loss on disposal of assets	8	11 534	27 298
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1 169 566</b>	<b>1 172 555</b>
<b>NET DEFICIT</b>		<b>(99 844)</b>	<b>(234 366)</b>
<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>			
Changes in asset revaluation surplus	31	223 307	151 666
Transfer from reserves		(3 242)	-
Correction of prior period errors		371	-
<b>TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>		<b>220 436</b>	<b>151 666</b>
<b>COMPREHENSIVE RESULT</b>		<b>120 592</b>	<b>(82 700)</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes DCDD service charges and DIPL repairs and maintenance service charges.

The comprehensive operating statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Balance sheet

As at 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$000	2022 \$000
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and deposits	14	154 022	25 791
Receivables	16	22 189	13 368
Inventories	17	46	34
Advances	18	-	-
Prepayments	19	2 569	2 703
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>178 826</b>	<b>41 896</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	20, 32	3 956 990	3 634 139
Intangible assets	23, 32	-	-
Heritage and cultural assets	24, 32	169 389	155 941
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>4 126 379</b>	<b>3 790 080</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>4 305 205</b>	<b>3 831 976</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Deposits held	25	6 754	7 706
Payables	26	27 448	20 200
Borrowings and advances	27	21 703	18 481
Provisions	28	20 187	20 921
Other liabilities	29	54 400	3 232
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>130 492</b>	<b>70 540</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings and advances	27	112 743	115 065
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>112 743</b>	<b>115 065</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>243 235</b>	<b>185 605</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>4 061 970</b>	<b>3 646 371</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Capital		3 408 390	3 113 383
Asset revaluation surplus	31	2 099 254	1 875 947
Accumulated funds		(1 445 674)	(1 342 959)
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>4 061 970</b>	<b>3 646 371</b>

The balance sheet is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	Equity at 1 July \$000	Comprehensive result \$000	Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners \$000	Equity at 30 June \$000
<b>2022-23</b>					
<b>Accumulated funds</b>		(1 342 959)	(99 844)	-	(1 442 803)
Correction of prior period errors			371		371
Transfers from reserves			(3 242)	-	(3 242)
		<b>(1 342 959)</b>	<b>(102 715)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1 445 674)</b>
Asset Revaluation Surplus		1 875 947	301 006	-	2 176 953
Adjustment <sup>1</sup>		-	(77 699)	-	(77 699)
	<b>31</b>	<b>1 875 947</b>	<b>223 307</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2 099 254</b>
Reserves					
Equity injections					
Capital appropriation		2 415 020	-	4 659	2 419 679
Equity transfers in		759 731	-	290 641	1 050 372
Other equity injections		93 554	-	-	93 554
Specific purpose payments		3 050	-	-	3 050
Equity withdrawals					
Capital withdrawal		(15 610)	-		(15 610)
Equity transfers out		(142 362)	-	(293)	(142 655)
		<b>3 113 383</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>295 007</b>	<b>3 408 390</b>
<b>Total equity at end of financial year</b>		<b>3 646 371</b>	<b>120 592</b>	<b>295 007</b>	<b>4 061 970</b>

<sup>1</sup> Adjustment to revised opening balances to align with 2021-22 Treasurer's Annual Financial Statements.

# Statement of changes in equity (continued)

For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	Equity at 1 July \$000	Comprehensive result \$000	Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners \$000	Equity at 30 June \$000
<b>2021-22</b>					
<b>Accumulated funds</b>		(1 129 307)	(234 366)	-	(1 363 673)
Transfers from reserves		-	20 714	-	20 714
		<b>(1 129 307)</b>	<b>(213 652)</b>	-	<b>(1 342 959)</b>
Asset Revaluation Surplus	31	1 744 995	130 952	-	1 875 947
		<b>1 744 995</b>	<b>130 952</b>	-	<b>1 875 947</b>
<b>Reserves</b>					
Equity injections					
Capital appropriation		2 414 361	-	659	2 415 020
Equity transfers in		634 718	-	125 013	759 731
Other equity injections		93 447	-	107	93 554
National partnership payments		3 050	-	-	3 050
Equity withdrawals					
Capital withdrawal		(2 646)	-	(12 964)	(15 610)
Equity transfers out		(142 362)	-	-	(142 362)
		<b>3 000 568</b>	-	<b>112 815</b>	<b>3 113 383</b>
<b>Total equity at end of financial year</b>		<b>3 616 256</b>	<b>(82 700)</b>	<b>112 815</b>	<b>3 646 371</b>

The statement of changes in equity is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements

# Cash flow statement

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	Note	2023 \$000	2022 \$000
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Operating receipts</b>			
Grants and subsidies received			
Current		1 223	21 161
Appropriation			
Output		707 054	665 292
Commonwealth		119 853	71 744
Receipts from sales of goods and services		141 658	125 057
<b>Total operating receipts</b>		<b>969 788</b>	<b>883 254</b>
<b>Operating payments</b>			
Payments to employees		(165 856)	(174 456)
Payments for goods and services		(253 700)	(252 254)
Grants and subsidies paid			
Current		(326 064)	(376 944)
Capital		(52 609)	(45 382)
Community service obligations		(17 248)	(20 321)
Interest paid		(9 732)	(9 960)
<b>Total operating payments</b>		<b>(825 209)</b>	<b>(876 317)</b>
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>144 579</b>	<b>3 937</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Investing receipts</b>			
Proceeds from asset sales	8	1 512	7 872
<b>Total investing receipts</b>		<b>1 512</b>	<b>7 872</b>
<b>Investing payments</b>			
Purchases of assets		(32)	(23)
<b>Total investing payments</b>		<b>(32)</b>	<b>(23)</b>
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>		<b>1 480</b>	<b>7 849</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Financing receipts</b>			
Deposits received		-	801
Capital appropriation	5	4 659	659
Other equity injections		-	107
<b>Total financing receipts</b>		<b>4 659</b>	<b>1 567</b>
<b>Financing payments</b>			
Deposits paid		(952)	-
Repayment of borrowings		(4 343)	(3 817)
Lease liabilities payments		(17 193)	(15 758)
Equity withdrawals		-	(12 964)
<b>Total financing payments</b>		<b>(22 488)</b>	<b>(32 539)</b>
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		<b>(17 828)</b>	<b>(30 972)</b>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		128 231	(19 186)
Cash at beginning of financial year		25 791	44 977
<b>CASH AT END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>154 022</b>	<b>25 791</b>

The cash flow statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

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## 1. Objectives of funding

The primary objective of the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities is to provide support services across child protection, domestic and family violence, youth justice services, housing, homelessness, social inclusion, disability, sport and active recreation and to support arts, culture, heritage libraries and archives in the Northern Territory.

Additional information in relation to the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities and its principal activities may be found in the annual report.

The department is predominantly funded and therefore dependent, on the receipt of parliamentary appropriations.

The financial statements encompass all funds through which the agency controls resources to carry on its functions and deliver outputs. For reporting purposes, outputs delivered by the agency are summarised into several output groups. Note 3 provides summarised financial information in the form of a comprehensive operating statement by the output group.

The Agency's output groups are:

- Families
- Housing
- Communities
- Corporate and Shared Services.

## 2. Statement of significant accounting policies

### a. Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Financial Management Act 1995* and related Treasurer's Directions. The *Financial Management Act 1995* requires the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities to prepare financial statements for the year ended 30 June based on the form determined by the Treasurer.

The form of agency financial statements should include:

- a certification of the financial statements
- a comprehensive operating statement
- a balance sheet
- a statement of changes in equity
- a cash flow statement
- applicable explanatory notes to the financial statements.

### b. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, which recognises the effect of financial transactions and events when they occur, rather than when cash is paid out or received. As part of the preparation of the financial statements, all intra agency transactions and balances have been eliminated.

Except where stated, the financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

The form of the agency financial statements is also consistent with the requirements of Australian accounting standards. The effects of all relevant new and revised standards and interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are effective for the current annual reporting period have been evaluated.

### Standards and interpretations effective from 2022-23 financial year

Several amending standards and AASB interpretations have been issued that apply to the current reporting periods, but are considered to have no or minimal impact on public sector reporting.

### Standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective

No Australian accounting standards have been early adopted for 2022-23.

Several amending standards and AASB interpretations have been issued that apply to future reporting periods but are considered to have limited impact on public sector reporting.

## **AASB 2022-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Fair Value Measurement of Non-Financial assets of Not-for-Profit Public Sector Entities**

This standard amends the application of AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement to non-financial assets of not-for-profit public sector entities not held primarily to generate cash inflows. It applies prospectively to annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024, with earlier application permitted.

This revised standard provides clarification and further guidance on the current requirements for measuring non-financial assets including:

- when an asset's use is considered 'financially feasible'
- application of the cost approach in measurement of an asset's fair value
- costs to be included in the calculation of replacement cost
- indicators of economic obsolescence.

TFHC is under the process of assessing whether it will have material impact from July 2024.

### **c. Reporting entity**

The financial statements cover the Department as an individual reporting entity.

The Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities is a Northern Territory department established under the *Interpretation Act 1978 and Administrative Arrangements Order*.

The principal place of business of the department is:

Level 7, Power House, 41 Smith Street,  
Darwin 0800.

The department also has regional and remote offices across the Northern Territory.

### **d. Agency and Territory items**

The financial statements of the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities include income, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity over which the Department has control (agency items). Certain items, while managed by the agency, are controlled and recorded by the Territory rather than the agency (Territory items).

Territory items are recognised and recorded in the Central Holding Authority as discussed below.

### **Central Holding Authority**

The Central Holding Authority is the 'parent body' that represents the government's ownership interest in government-controlled entities.

The Central Holding Authority also records all Territory items, such as income, expenses, assets and liabilities controlled by the government and managed by agencies on behalf of the government. The main Territory item is Territory income, which includes taxation and royalty revenue, Commonwealth general purpose funding (such as GST revenue), fines, and statutory fees and charges.

The Central Holding Authority also holds certain Territory assets not assigned to agencies as well as certain Territory liabilities that are not practical or effective to assign to individual agencies such as unfunded superannuation and long service leave.

The Central Holding Authority recognises and records all Territory items, and as such, these items are not included in the agency's financial statements.

However, as the agency is accountable for certain Territory items managed on behalf of government, these items have been separately disclosed in Note 37 – Schedule of administered Territory items.

### **e. Comparatives**

Where necessary, comparative information for the 2021-22 financial year has been reclassified to provide consistency with current year disclosures.

### **f. Presentation and rounding of amounts**

Amounts in the financial statements and notes to the financial statements are presented in Australian dollars and have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, with amounts of \$500 or less being rounded down to zero. Figures in the financial statements and notes may not equate due to rounding.

### g. Changes in accounting policies

There have been no changes to accounting policies adopted in 2022-23 financial year as a result of management decisions.

### h. Accounting judgments and estimates

The preparation of the financial report requires the making of judgments and estimates that affect the recognised amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Judgments and estimates that have significant effects on the financial statements are disclosed in the relevant notes to the financial statements.

### i. Goods and services tax

Income, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred on a purchase of goods and services is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as part of receivables or payables in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are included in the cash flow statement on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash

flows. Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable or payable unless otherwise specified. Gross GST recoverable on commitments is disclosed separately in the commitments note.

### j. Contributions by and distributions to government

The agency may receive contributions from government where the government is acting as owner of the agency. Conversely, the agency may make distributions to government. In accordance with the *Financial Management Act 1995* and Treasurer's Directions, certain types of contributions and distributions, including those relating to administrative restructures, have been designated as contributions by, and distributions to, government. These designated contributions and distributions are treated by the agency as adjustments to equity.

The statement of changes in equity provides additional information in relation to contributions by, and distributions to, government.

## 3. Comprehensive operating statement by output group

Note	Families		Housing		Communities		Corporate and Shared Services		Total	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>INCOME</b>										
Grants and subsidies revenue										
Current	969	10 229	-	-	254	10 932	-	-	1 223	21 161
Appropriation										
Output	307 800	276 463	188 693	158 565	191 576	213 089	18 985	17 175	707 054	665 292
Commonwealth	24 074	1 195	37 801	25 158	10 755	10 391	-	-	72 630	36 744
Sales of goods and services	67	29	117 433	96 762	1 720	1 375	155	192	119 375	98 358
Goods and services received free of charge	-	-	1 227	-	27 319	14 351	138 590	98 696	167 136	113 047
Gain on disposal of assets	-	-	-	691	-	-	-	-	-	691
Other income	525	143	1 476	1 812	181	898	122	43	2 304	2 896
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>333 435</b>	<b>288 059</b>	<b>346 630</b>	<b>282 988</b>	<b>231 805</b>	<b>251 036</b>	<b>157 852</b>	<b>116 106</b>	<b>1 069 722</b>	<b>938 189</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>										
Employee expenses	104 315	106 166	29 517	32 783	20 634	22 000	11 210	13 690	165 676	174 639
Administrative expenses										
Property management	2 891	3 416	59 760	58 758	4 082	8 360	342	372	67 075	70 906
Purchases of goods and services	116 527	101 439	27 766	17 700	13 935	20 753	1 726	1 994	159 954	141 886
Repairs and maintenance	4 283	3 993	165 308	157 512	14 248	15 548	68	69	183 907	177 122
Depreciation and amortisation	74	94	9 918	17 625	27 326	14 540	138 585	71 414	175 903	103 673
Other administrative expenses <sup>1</sup>										
Grants and subsidies expenses										
Current	80 928	71 334	130 425	156 639	114 772	175 344	42	35	326 167	403 352
Capital	1 835	2 098	41 600	33 241	9 174	10 043	-	-	52 609	45 382
Community service obligations	-	-	3 414	3 414	13 597	14 924	-	-	17 011	18 338
Interest expenses	5	5	9 700	9 929	-	-	25	25	9 730	9 959
Loss on disposal of assets	44	-	11 563	-	28	-	(101)	27 298	11 534	27 298
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>310 902</b>	<b>288 545</b>	<b>488 971</b>	<b>487 601</b>	<b>217 796</b>	<b>281 512</b>	<b>151 897</b>	<b>114 897</b>	<b>1 169 566</b>	<b>1 172 555</b>
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>	<b>22 533</b>	<b>(486)</b>	<b>(142 341)</b>	<b>(204 613)</b>	<b>14 009</b>	<b>(30 476)</b>	<b>5 955</b>	<b>1 209</b>	<b>(99 844)</b>	<b>(234 366)</b>

### 3. Comprehensive operating statement by output group (continued)

<b>OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>									
<b>Items that will not be reclassified to net surplus</b>									
Correction of prior period errors	-	-	-	-	-	371	-	371	-
Changes in asset revaluation surplus	31	-	-	-	-	220 065	151 666	220 065	151 666
<b>TOTAL OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>220 436</b>	<b>151 666</b>	<b>220 436</b>	<b>151 666</b>
<b>COMPREHENSIVE RESULT</b>	<b>22 533</b>	<b>(486)</b>	<b>(142 341)</b>	<b>(204 613)</b>	<b>14 009</b>	<b>226 391</b>	<b>152 875</b>	<b>120 592</b>	<b>(82 700)</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes DCDD service charges and DIP/L repairs and maintenance service charges.

#### Income

Income encompasses both revenue and gains.

Income is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, exclusive of the amount of GST. Exchanges of goods or services of the same nature and value without any cash consideration being exchanged are not recognised as income.

## 4. Grants and subsidies revenue

	2023			2022		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total
Current grants	1 173	50	1 223	834	20 327	21 161
<b>Total grants and subsidies revenue</b>	<b>1 173</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>1 223</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>20 327</b>	<b>21 161</b>

Grants revenue is recognised at fair value exclusive of the amount of GST.

Where a grant agreement is enforceable and has sufficiently specific performance obligations for the agency to transfer goods or services to the grantor or a third party beneficiary, the transaction is accounted for under AASB 15. In this case, revenue is initially deferred as a contract liability when received in advance and recognised as or when the performance obligations are satisfied. The agency has adopted a low value contract threshold of \$50 000 excluding GST and recognises revenue from contracts with a low value, upfront on receipt of income.

The agency's contracts with customers relate predominately to Commonwealth funding arrangements for Tripartite Forum (\$677k), Underwater Heritage (\$120k) and Keeping Women Safe in their Homes (\$291k).

Revenue from contracts with customers have been disaggregated below into categories to enable users of these financial statements to understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of income and cash flows. These categories include a description of the type of product or service line, type of customer and timing of transfer of goods and services.

Grant agreements that satisfy recognition requirements under AASB 15 are disaggregated below.

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Type of good and service:</b>		
Service delivery	1 173	834
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers by good or service</b>	<b>1 173</b>	<b>834</b>
<b>Type of customer:</b>		
Australian Government entities	1 088	749
State and territory governments	85	85
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers by type of customer</b>	<b>1 173</b>	<b>834</b>
<b>Timing of transfer of goods and services:</b>		
Overtime	677	145
Point in time	496	689
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>1 173</b>	<b>834</b>

A financing component for consideration is only recognised if it is significant to the contract and the period between the transfer of goods and services and receipt of consideration is more than one year. For the 2022-23 reporting period, there were no adjustments for the effects of a significant financing component.

Where grant agreements do not meet criteria above, it is accounted for under AASB 1058 and income is recognised on receipt of funding except for capital grants revenue received for the purchase or construction of non-financial assets to be controlled by the agency. Capital grants with enforceable contracts and sufficiently specific obligations are recognised as an unearned revenue liability when received and subsequently recognised progressively as revenue as or when the agency satisfies its obligations under the agreement. Where a non-financial asset is purchased, revenue is recognised at the point in time the asset is acquired and control transfers to the agency.

Territory Families, Housing and Communities revenue recognised under AASB1058 includes, a Commonwealth reimbursement for expenditure incurred in 2020-21 for the Centre of National Resilience for Repatriated Australians (\$50K).

Grant revenue, passed on from a Territory Government-controlled entity with the exception of the Central Holding Authority, is recognised upfront on receipt, irrespective of which revenue accounting standard it may fall under in accordance with the Treasurer's Direction on income.

## 5. Appropriation

Appropriation recorded in the operating statement includes output appropriation and commonwealth appropriation received for the delivery of services.

	2023			2022		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total
Output	-	707 054	707 054	-	665 292	665 292
Commonwealth	-	72 630	72 630	-	36 744	36 744
<b>Total appropriation in the cashflow statement</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>779 684</b>	<b>779 684</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>702 036</b>	<b>702 036</b>

Appropriation recorded in the cashflow statement includes capital appropriation and commonwealth capital appropriation received for the delivery of assets to be retained by the agency.

	2023			2022		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total
Capital	-	4 659	4 659	-	659	659
<b>Total appropriation in the cashflow statement</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4 659</b>	<b>4 659</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>659</b>

Output appropriation is the operating payment to each agency for the outputs they provide as specified in the Appropriation Act. It does not include any allowance for major non-cash costs such as depreciation. Output appropriations do not have sufficiently specific performance obligations and are recognised on receipt of funds.

## 5. Appropriation (continued)

Commonwealth appropriation follows from the intergovernmental agreement on federal financial relations, resulting in specific purpose payments (SPPs) and national partnership (NPPs) payments being made by the Commonwealth Treasury to state treasuries, in a manner similar to arrangements for GST payments. These payments are received by the Department of Treasury and Finance on behalf of the Central Holding Authority and then passed on to the relevant agencies as Commonwealth appropriation.

Where appropriation received has an enforceable contract with sufficiently specific performance obligations as defined in AASB 15, revenue is recognised as and when goods and or services are transferred to the customer or third party beneficiary. Otherwise revenue is recognised when the agency gains control of the funds. Commonwealth appropriation has been received under National Partnership Agreements, as follows:

- \$20.96 million for the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement;
- \$14.31 million for Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence responses;
- \$10.76 million for the Disability Care Australia Fund of the National Disability Insurance Scheme;
- \$9.34 million for the remote housing delivery of property and tenancy management;
- \$9.76 million for the Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment; and
- \$7.50 million for the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure program (HHIP).

### a) Summary of changes to budget appropriations

The following table presents changes to budgeted appropriations authorised during the current financial year together with explanations for significant changes. It compares the amounts originally identified in the Appropriation (2022-2023) Act 2022 with revised appropriations as reported in 2023-24 Budget Paper No. 3 Agency Budget Statements and the final end of year appropriation.

The changes within this table relate only to appropriation and do not include agency revenue (for example, goods and services revenue and grants received directly by the agency) or expenditure. Refer to Note 38 Budgetary information for detailed information on variations to the agency's actual outcome compared to budget for revenue and expenses.

	Original 2022-23 budget appropriation	Revised 2022-23 budget appropriation	Change to budget appropriation	Final 2022-23 budget appropriation	Change to budget appropriation
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Output	656 197	696 863	40 666	707 054	10 191
Capital	9 659	4 659	(5 000)	4 659	-
Commonwealth	64 939	90 919	25 980	119 853	28 934
<b>Total appropriation</b>	<b>730 795</b>	<b>792 441</b>	<b>61 646</b>	<b>831 566</b>	<b>(39 125)</b>

Output and capital appropriations reflect funding as a direct result of government-approved decisions, with actual funding received by the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities in line with the budgeted amounts.

Commonwealth appropriation reflects funding anticipated to be received from the Commonwealth for both operational and capital purposes. As Commonwealth appropriations are largely recognised as or when performance obligations are satisfied, the actual amounts receipted by the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities reported in these financial statements may vary from the budgeted amounts reported in this table.

## 6. Sales of Goods and Services

	2023			2022		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total
Other goods and services revenue	119 005	370	119 375	97 900	458	98 358
<b>Total sales of goods and services</b>	<b>119 005</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>119 375</b>	<b>97 900</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>98 358</b>

### Sale of goods

Revenue from sales of goods is recognised when the agency satisfies a performance obligation by transferring the promised goods. The agency typically satisfies its performance obligations when the control of goods is transferred to the customers, and when the customer obtains control of the promised goods. The payments are typically due when the control of goods is transferred to the customers, and when the customers obtains control of the promised goods.

Revenue from these sales are based on the price specified in the contract, and revenue is only recognised to the extent that it is highly probable a significant reversal will not occur. There is no element of financing present as sales are made with a short credit term.

### Rendering of services

Revenue from rendering of services is recognised when the agency satisfies the performance obligation by transferring the promised services. Most of the goods and services that is disclosed in this note include rental income from operating lease arrangements of agency public housing. Rental income arising is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease terms.

Revenue from contracts with customers have been disaggregated below into categories to enable users of these financial statements to understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of income and cash flows. These categories include a description of the type of product or service line, type of customer and timing of transfer of goods and services.

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Type of good and service:</b>		
Service delivery	119 005	97 900
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>119 005</b>	<b>97 900</b>
<b>Type of customer:</b>		
Non-government entities	119 005	97 900
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers by type of customer</b>	<b>119 005</b>	<b>97 900</b>
<b>Timing of transfer of goods and services:</b>		
Overtime	117 447	96 780
Point in time	1 558	1 120
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers by timing of transfer</b>	<b>119 005</b>	<b>97 900</b>

## 7. Goods and services received free of charge

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Department of Corporate and Digital Development	36 590	38 677
Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics	101 999	60 019
National Disability Insurance Scheme in-kind services	28 547	14 351
	<b>167 136</b>	<b>113 047</b>

Resources received free of charge are recognised as revenue when, and only when, a fair value can be reliably determined and the services would have been purchased if they had not been donated. Use of those resources is recognised as an expense. Resources received free of charge are recorded as either revenue or gains depending on their nature.

Repairs and maintenance expenses and associated employee costs are centralised and provided by the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics and forms part of goods and services free of charge of the agency.

In addition, the following corporate services staff and functions are centralised and provided by Department of Corporate and Digital Development on behalf of the agency and form part of goods and services received free of charge by the agency:

- financial services including accounts receivable, accounts payable and payroll
- employment and workforce services
- information management services
- procurement services
- property leasing services.

Under the National Disability Insurance Scheme, in-kind supports are provided by other Northern Territory government agencies to scheme participants and are recognised in the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities as service free of charge.

## 8. Gain/Loss on disposal of assets

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Net proceeds from the disposal of non-current assets(a)	1 511	7 872
Less: Carrying value of non-current assets disposed	(1 528)	(7 181)
<b>Loss/Gain on the disposal of non-current assets</b>	<b>(17)</b>	<b>691</b>
Carrying value of non-current assets written off	(11 485)	(26 499)
Carrying value of non-current assets gifted	(32)	(799)
<b>Loss on disposal of non-current assets</b>	<b>(11 517)</b>	<b>(27 298)</b>
<b>Net Loss on disposal of non-current assets</b>	<b>(11 534)</b>	<b>(26 607)</b>

(a) The agency has sold four urban land and building assets and no remote rental dwellings.

## 9. Other income

	2023			2022		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total
Miscellaneous income	1 620	684	2 304	1 444	1 453	2 897
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>1 620</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>2 304</b>	<b>1 444</b>	<b>1 453</b>	<b>2 897</b>

The Agency revenue from contract with customers includes revenue under the National Rental Affordability Scheme (NRAS). The Agency is one of the participants under this scheme where an agency is to provide affordable rental dwellings at 20 per cent below market rates. Revenue is recognised when the agency satisfies the performance obligation.

Revenue from contracts with customers have been disaggregated below into categories to enable users of these financial statements to understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of income and cash flows. These categories include a description of the type of product or service line, type of customer and timing of transfer of goods and services.

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Type of good and service:</b>		
Service delivery	1 620	1 444
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>1 620</b>	<b>1 444</b>
<b>Type of customer:</b>		
Australian Government entities	1 620	1 444
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers by type of customer</b>	<b>1 620</b>	<b>1 444</b>
<b>Timing of transfer of goods and services:</b>		
Overtime	1 620	1 444
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers by timing of transfer</b>	<b>1 620</b>	<b>1 444</b>

## 10. Purchases of goods and services

	2022	2021
	\$000	\$000
The net surplus has been arrived at after charging the following expenses:		
<b>Goods and services expenses:</b>		
Consultants <sup>1</sup>	1 556	917
Advertising <sup>2</sup>	232	129
Marketing and promotion <sup>3</sup>	829	722
Document production	241	363
Legal expenses <sup>4</sup>	2 984	2 801
Recruitment <sup>5</sup>	244	336
Training and study	2 536	2 737
Official duty fares	3 969	3 372
Travelling allowance	1 195	1 038
Information technology charges and communications	8 516	9 207
Accommodation	1 871	1 728
Agent service arrangements	9 866	8 058
Audit fees	22	61
Client Travel	1 690	1 229
Consumables / general expenditure	1 513	1 320
Child placement expenses <sup>6</sup>	74 520	61 173
Child related expenses <sup>7</sup>	27 570	28 797
Insurance premiums	3 086	2 021
IT hardware and software expenses	502	520
Medical / dental supplies and services	2 915	2 482
Motor vehicle expenses	3 351	3 142
Office requisites and stationery	369	383
Other equipment expenses	4 418	4 104
Other operating expenses	5 959	5 246
	<b>159 954</b>	<b>141 886</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes marketing, promotion and IT consultants.

<sup>2</sup> Does not include recruitment related advertising or advertising for marketing and promotion.

<sup>3</sup> Includes advertising for marketing and promotion but excludes marketing and promotion, consultant expenses, which are incorporated in the consultants' category.

<sup>4</sup> Includes legal fees, claim and settlement costs.

<sup>5</sup> Includes recruitment-related advertising costs.

<sup>6</sup> Includes expenses for sourcing and approving appropriate Out-of-Home-Care placements.

<sup>7</sup> Includes expenses for all children and young people in the care of the Chief Executive Officer.

Purchases of goods and services generally represent the day-to-day running costs incurred in normal operations, including supplies and service costs recognised in the reporting period in which they are incurred

## 11. Grant and subsidies expenses

### a) Current grant and subsidy expense

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Current Grant</b>		
Local Government	28 995	28 824
Private and not-for-profit sector	134 720	125 859
Other sectors of government	67 674	64 181
Other	70 096	133 133
<b>Total current grants</b>	<b>301 485</b>	<b>351 997</b>
<b>Subsidy</b>		
Local Government		
Private and not-for-profit sector	24 682	51 355
<b>Total subsidies</b>	<b>24 682</b>	<b>51 355</b>
<b>Total advances and investments</b>	<b>326 167</b>	<b>403 352</b>

Current grants expenses are intended to finance the current activities of the recipient for which no economic benefits of equal value are receivable in return. Current grant expense largely comprise of payments to Indigenous Essential Services (\$68 million), National Disability Insurance scheme (\$59 million), Homelands and Town Camps (\$32 million), Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (\$8 million).

Subsidies are payments aimed at reducing all or part of the costs of an activity. They include payments made to NT Concession scheme (\$5 million), NT Concession and Recognition Unit scheme (\$9.3 million).

Current grant and subsidy expenses are recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are paid or payable, exclusive of the amount of GST.

### b) Capital grant expense

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Local Government	5 357	4 977
Private and not-for-profit sector	27 738	24 593
Other sectors of government	19 514	15 813
<b>Total capital grant expense</b>	<b>52 609</b>	<b>45 383</b>

Capital grant expenses are transfers made to a recipient for the purpose of acquiring or constructing a new physical asset or upgrading an existing physical asset, for which no economic benefits of equal value are receivable in return. It also includes the transfer of existing agency assets to another entity for which no economic benefits of equal value are receivable in return. Capital grant expenses largely comprise of Indigenous Essential Services (\$20 million), Homelands Capital program (\$21 million), including Homelands Housing Infrastructure Program, Arts Trail Extension Program (\$5 million) and Wadey Unrest Response (\$3 million).

Capital grant expenses are recognised in the reporting period in which they are paid or payable, exclusive of the amount of GST. Where an existing agency asset is transferred to a recipient, the transaction is recognised when the agency transfers control of asset to the recipient.

## 11. Grant and subsidies expenses (continued)

### c) Community service obligations

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Other sectors of government	17 011	18 338
<b>Total community service obligations</b>	<b>17 011</b>	<b>18 338</b>

Community service obligations (CSO) are payments the agency makes to a government business division or a government owned corporation to compensate them for undertaking activities they would not elect to undertake on a commercial basis or would only undertake commercially at a higher price. CSO payments are recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are paid or payable, exclusive of the amount of GST.

## 12. Interest expenses

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Interest from lease liabilities	2 339	2 041
Interest from loans	7 391	7 918
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 730</b>	<b>9 959</b>

Interest expenses consist of interest and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowing of funds. It includes interest on loans and advances and lease liabilities.

### 13. Write-offs, postponements, waiver, gifts and ex gratia payments

	Agency			Territory items		
	2023	No. of trans.	2022	2023	No. of trans.	2022
	\$000		\$000	\$000		\$000
<b>Write-offs, postponements and waivers under the Financial Management Act 1995</b>						
Represented by:						
<b>Amounts written off, postponed and waived by delegates</b>						
Irrecoverable amounts payable to the Territory or an agency written off	1 128	779	2 846	-	-	-
Losses or deficiencies of money written off	-	1	-	-	-	-
<b>Total written off, postponed and waived by delegates</b>	<b>1 128</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>2 846</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Amounts written off, postponed and waived by the Treasurer</b>						
Waiver or postponement of right to receive or recover money or property	-	-	26 408	-	-	-
Losses or deficiencies of money written off	-	-	-	-	-	-
Irrecoverable amounts payable to the Territory or an agency written off	694	65	43 308	-	-	-
<b>Total written off, postponed and waived by the Treasurer</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>69 716</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Write-offs, postponements and waivers authorised under other legislation<sup>(a)</sup></b>						
<b>Gifts under the Financial Management Act 1995</b>						
Represented by:						
Gifts by delegate	799	1	706	-	-	-
Gifts by Treasurer	32	3	799	-	-	-
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

Amounts written off, postponed and waived by the Treasurer relates to unpaid rent and bond of former Urban Public Housing tenants.

Gifts under the Financial Management Act 1995 relates to the gifting of a vehicle (KIA Carnival) to support the care of a young person, and two Hydraulic goal posts (basketball rings) to Basketball NT.

## 14. Cash and deposits

	2022	2021
	\$000	\$000
Cash on hand	8	2
Cash at bank	154 014	25 789
<b>Total</b>	<b>154 022</b>	<b>25 791</b>

For the purposes of the balance sheet and the cash flow statement, cash includes cash on hand, cash at bank and cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are highly liquid short-term investments that are readily convertible to cash. Cash at bank includes monies held in the Accountable Officer's Trust Account (AOTA) that are ultimately payable to the beneficial owner – refer also to Note 25.

## 15. Cash flow reconciliation

### a) Reconciliation of cash

The total of agency 'Cash and deposits' of \$154,022 recorded in the balance sheet is consistent with that recorded as 'Cash' in the cash flow statement.

### Reconciliation of net surplus/deficit to net cash from operating activities

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Net deficit</b>	<b>(99 844)</b>	<b>(234 366)</b>
<i>Non-cash items:</i>		
Depreciation and amortisation	183 907	177 122
Asset write-offs/write-downs	11 505	26 499
Asset donations/gifts	32	799
Gain/loss on disposal of assets	16	(691)
Doubtful debts expense	7 119	(55 528)
Doubtful debts expense - other	(20)	-
Assets acquired nil consideration	-	(144)
<i>Changes in assets and liabilities:</i>		
(Increase)/Decrease in receivables	(15 940)	104 292
(Increase) in inventories	(12)	(10)
Decrease/(Increase) in prepayments	134	(387)
Increase/(Decrease) in payables	7 248	(10 639)
Decrease in provision for employee benefits	(982)	-
Increase/(Decrease) in provisions	248	(151)
Increase/(Decrease) in other liabilities	51 168	(2 859)
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>144 579</b>	<b>3 937</b>

## 15. Cash flow reconciliation (continued)

### b) Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities

2022-23

	Cash flows			Non-cash				
	1 July	Deposits Received	Repayments	Lease liabilities repayments	Total cash flows	Other	Total other	30 June
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Deposits held	7 706	952	-	-	952	-	-	8 658
Borrowings	59 359	-	(4 343)	-	(4 343)	-	-	55 016
Lease liabilities	74 187	-	-	(17 193)	(17 193)	5 264	5 264	62 258
<b>Total</b>	<b>141 252</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>(4 343)</b>	<b>(17 193)</b>	<b>(20 584)</b>	<b>5 264</b>	<b>5 264</b>	<b>125 932</b>

2021-22

	Cash flows			Non-cash				
	1 July	Deposits Received	Repayments	Lease liabilities repayments	Total cash flows	Other	Total other	30 June
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Deposits held	6 905	801	-	-	801	-	-	7 706
Borrowings	63 176	-	(3 817)	-	(3 817)	-	-	59 359
Lease liabilities	84 681	-	(15 758)	-	(15 758)	5 264	5 264	74 187
<b>Total</b>	<b>154 762</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>(19 575)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(18 774)</b>	<b>5 264</b>	<b>5 264</b>	<b>141 252</b>

### c) Non-cash financing and investing activities

*Lease transactions*

During the financial year, the agency recorded a right-of-use asset for the lease of affordable, social and government employee housing with an aggregate value of \$50.3 million

## 16. Receivables

	2023	2022
<b>Current</b>		
Accounts receivable	29 879	16 083
Less: loss allowance	(18 833)	(11 714)
	<b>11 046</b>	<b>4 369</b>
Accrued revenue	2 824	1 253
Less: loss allowance	-	-
	<b>2 824</b>	<b>1 253</b>
GST receivables	5 512	6 303
Other receivables	2 807	1 443
	<b>8 319</b>	<b>7 746</b>
<b>Total receivables</b>	<b>22 189</b>	<b>13 368</b>

Receivables are initially recognised when the agency becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument and are measured at fair value less any directly attributable transaction costs. Receivables include contract receivables, accounts receivable, accrued contract revenue and other receivables.

Receivables are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairments.

Accounts receivable and contract receivables are generally settled within 30 days and other receivables within 60 days.

The loss allowance reflects lifetime expected credit losses and represents the amount of receivables the agency estimates are likely to be uncollectible and are considered doubtful.

### Credit risk exposure of receivables

Receivables are monitored on an ongoing basis to ensure exposure to bad debts is not significant. The entity applies the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses. This approach recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime expected credit losses for all accounts receivables, contracts receivables and accrued contract revenue. To measure expected credit losses, receivables have been grouped based on shared risk characteristics and days past due.

The expected loss rates are based on historically observed loss rates, adjusted to reflect current and forward-looking information, including macroeconomic factors. The majority of the agency's accounts receivable balance comprises tenancy related debt. The only forward looking factor which could materially impact housing tenants would be Centrelink benefits. As the majority of tenants are reliant on Centrelink benefits, any variance could impact the expected loss rate. However, it is not expected that these benefits will decrease materially overtime, therefore the expected credit loss rate applied is the historical default rate.

## 16. Receivables (continued)

### Loss allowance for receivables

The loss allowance for receivables and reconciliation as at the reporting date is disclosed below.

	2023				2022			
	Gross Receivables \$000	Loss rate %	Expected credit losses \$000	Net receivables \$000	Gross receivables \$000	Loss rate %	Expected credit losses \$000	Net receivables \$000
<b>Internal receivables</b>								
Not overdue	2 957 <sup>1</sup>	0%	-	2 957	2 568	0%	-	2 568
<b>Total internal receivables</b>	<b>2 957</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2 957</b>	<b>2 568</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2 568</b>
<b>External receivables</b>								
Not overdue	5 837 <sup>1</sup>	0.08%	5	5 832	2 298	0.17%	4	2 294
Overdue for less than 30 days	1 334 <sup>1</sup>	24.45%	326	1 008	683	19.33%	132	551
Overdue for 30 to 60 days	1 447 <sup>1</sup>	41.77%	604	843	1 242	30.11%	374	868
Overdue for more than 60 days	23 936 <sup>1</sup>	74.77%	17 898	6 038	12 488	89.72%	11 204	1 284
<b>Total external receivables</b>	<b>32 554</b>	<b>57.85%</b>	<b>18 833</b>	<b>13 721</b>	<b>16 711</b>	<b>70.09%</b>	<b>11 714</b>	<b>4 997</b>

<sup>1</sup>Total amounts disclosed exclude statutory amounts and prepayments; and include contract receivables and accrued contract revenue.

## 16. Receivables (continued)

### Reconciliation of loss allowance for receivables

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>External receivables</b>		
Opening balance	11 714	67 242
Recovered during the year	53	84
Increase/(Decrease) in loss allowance recognised in profit or loss	7 066	(55 612)
<b>Total external receivables</b>	<b>18 833</b>	<b>11 714</b>

## 17. Inventories

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Current</b>		
Inventories	46	34
<b>Total inventories</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>34</b>

Inventories include assets held either for sale (general inventories) or distribution at no or nominal consideration in the ordinary course of business operations.

General inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, while those held for distribution are carried at the lower of cost and current replacement cost. Cost of inventories includes all costs associated with bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. When inventories are acquired at nil or nominal consideration, the cost will be the current replacement cost at date of acquisition.

The cost of inventories are assigned using a mixture of first in, first out or weighted average cost formula, or using specific identification of their individual costs.

Inventory held for distribution is regularly assessed for obsolescence and loss.

## 18. Advances and investments

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Current</b>		
Advances paid	-	20
Less: loss allowance	-	(20)
<b>Total Advances</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

### a) Advances paid

Advances paid are recognised initially at fair value plus or minus relevant transaction costs and are recognised in the balance sheet when the agency becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instruments. Where the advances are provided with interest free periods or at concessional interest rates, they are considered to have a fair value which is less than the amount lent. This fair value is calculated in accordance with Note 32. The difference between the amount lent and the fair value is recognised as an expense in the comprehensive income statement.

Loss allowances on advances paid reflect either 12-month or lifetime expected credit losses depending on changes in credit risk and represents the amount of advances paid the agency estimates are likely to be uncollectible and are considered doubtful.

## 18. Advances and investments (continued)

### Credit risk exposure of advances paid

Advances paid are monitored on an ongoing basis to ensure exposure to bad debts is not significant. The agency applies the AASB 9 general approach to measuring expected credit losses. This approach recognises a loss allowance based on 12-month expected credit losses if there has been no significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition and lifetime expected credit losses if there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition.

The loss allowance for advances paid and reconciliation as at the reporting date is disclosed below.

	2023				2022			
	Gross advances paid	Loss rate	Expected credit losses	Net advances paid	Gross advances paid	Loss rate	Expected credit losses	Net advances paid
	\$000	%	\$000	\$000	\$000	%	\$000	\$000
<b>External advances paid</b>								
Overdue for more than 60 days	-	-	-	-	20	100%	20	-
<b>Total external advances paid</b>	-	-	-	-	20	100%	20	-

### Reconciliation of loss allowance for advances paid

	2022	2021
	\$000	\$000
<b>External advances paid</b>		
Opening balance	20	20
Written off during the year	(20)	-
<b>Total external advances paid</b>	-	20

## 19. Other financial assets

### a. Prepayments

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Prepayments	2 569	2 703
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 569</b>	<b>2 703</b>

Prepayments represent payments in advance of receipt of goods and services or that part of expenditure made in one accounting period covering a term extending beyond that period.

### b. Agency as a lessor

Leases under which the agency assumes substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of an asset are classified as finance leases. Other leases are classified as operating leases.

Subleases are classified by reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease, rather than by reference to the underlying asset. A sublease is an arrangement where the underlying asset is re-leased by a lessee (intermediate lessor) to another party, and the lease (head lease) between the head lessor and original lessee remains in effect.

## 19. Other financial assets (continued)

### Finance leases

At the lease commencement date, the entity recognises a receivable for assets held under a finance lease in its statement of financial position at an amount equal to the net investment in the lease. The net investment in leases is classified as financial assets amortised cost and equals the lease payments receivable by a lessor and the unguaranteed residual value, plus initial direct costs, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease initial direct costs.

Finance income arising from finance leases is recognised over the lease term, based on a pattern reflecting a constant periodic rate of return on the lessor's net investment in the lease.

The former Department of Tourism, Sport and Culture entered into a 30-year finance arrangement with ARLC NT Limited to lease the Warren Park complex. This arrangement has transferred to the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities as a result of administrative restructuring. The arrangement is a peppercorn lease with nominal lease payments, with the intention to further the not-for-profit objectives of the lessee. As such, no finance lease receivables has been recognised. In line with the requirements of AASB 16 for lessors, the Warren Park complex, with a value of \$24.6 million, was derecognised in the 2019-20 financial year.

Management of TFHC lease portfolio through the utilisation of the Progen system. This maintains a comprehensive record of TFHC lease arrangements and instrumental in TFHC lease management process to ensure monitoring and compliance.

### Operating leases

An operating lease is a lease other than a finance lease. Rental income arising is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease terms and is included in revenue in the statement of comprehensive income due to its operating nature. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the underlying asset and recognised over the lease term on the same basis as rental income. Contingent rents are recognised as revenue in the period in which they are earned.

The agency owns housing rental properties across the Territory. These properties are leased to tenants under operating lease agreements with rent payable weekly. Tenancy leases for the housing properties are short term or periodic, and may be cancelled by providing the required number of days' notice under the *Residential Tenancy Act 1999* (RTA) by either party.

The agency also subleases properties under Affordable and Social Housing and Government Employee Housing (GEH) private head-lease arrangements. Sub-lease arrangements for both affordable housing buildings and under social housing are generally between 1 to 5 years. Leases may be cancelled by providing the required number of days' notice under the RTA by either party. Therefore, sub-lease arrangements under affordable and social housing are treated as operating leases. Similarly, GEH private head-lease properties are sub-leased to NTG agencies and are categorised as operating leases.

The agency is lessor to a number of peppercorn leases with various not-for-profit sporting and cultural organisations, and other non-government organisations. These leases do not meet the recognition criteria of a finance lease under AASB16 so are treated as operating leases. The leases payments are nominal, or significantly below market value. The purpose of these arrangements is to further the not-for-profit objectives of the lessee and also the Department. Four properties are currently being used to provide services in accordance with the services contract and all ancillary residential uses required in order to provide the services. These properties are utilised for children in care under the CEO.

At 30 June 2023, the agency does not have non-cancellable operating lease future rental receivables.

## 20. Property, plant and equipment

### a) Total property, plant and equipment

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Land</b>		
At fair value	55 364	54 743
<b>Rental properties</b>		
Urban vacant land at fair value	14 876	12 796
Urban unimproved land at fair value	780 822	734 077
	<b>795 698</b>	<b>746 873</b>
Urban buildings at fair value	847 844	750 737
<b>Remote Rental properties</b>		
<i>Remote buildings at fair value</i>	3 426 093	3 189 072
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>	(1 581 092)	(1 443 050)
	<b>1 845 001</b>	<b>1 746 022</b>
<b>Total rental properties</b>	<b>2 692 844</b>	<b>3 243 632</b>
<b>Buildings</b>		
At fair value	522 981	510 092
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>	(315 500)	(303 037)
	<b>207 481</b>	<b>207 056</b>
<b>Infrastructure</b>		
At fair value	122 236	117 879
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>	(72 369)	(68 203)
	<b>49 867</b>	<b>49 676</b>
<b>Construction (work in progress)</b>		
At capitalised cost	37 468	-
<b>Plant and equipment</b>		
<i>At fair value</i>	28 340	28 133
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>	(22 332)	(20 378)
	<b>6 008</b>	<b>7 755</b>
<b>Leased land and buildings</b>		
At capitalised cost	93 711	87 698
<i>Less: accumulated amortisation</i>	(18 246)	(16 421)
	<b>75 465</b>	<b>71 277</b>
<b>Service Concession Arrangements</b>		
At fair value	36 795	-
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation</i>	-	-
	<b>36 795</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Property, Plant and Equipment</b>	<b>3 956 990</b>	<b>3 634 139</b>

The net carrying amount may also include the balance related to concessionary leases which are right-of-use assets under leases that have significantly below-market terms and conditions principally to enable the agency to further its objectives.

## 20. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

### 2023 Property, plant and equipment reconciliations

Property, plant and equipment includes right-of-use assets under AASB 16 Leases and service concession assets under AASB 1059. Further information on right-of-use assets are disclosed in Note 21. A reconciliation of the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment at the beginning and end year is set out below:

2023	Land	Land-urban rental properties	Buildings-urban rental dwellings	Buildings-remote rental dwelling	Public buildings	Infrastructure	Construction (work in progress)	Plant and equipment	Leased land and buildings	Service Concession Asset	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Carrying amount as at 1 July	54 743	746 873	750 737	1 746 023	207 056	49 676	-	7 755	71 277	-	3 634 140
Adjustment <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-	(77 699)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(77 699)
Additions	621	969	22 883	176 037	12 888	4 356	37 468	193	9 144	36 795	301 354
Disposals	-	(998)	(11 366)	(611)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(12 975)
Disposals from asset transfers	-	-	(493)	(511)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1 004)
Depreciation/amortisation expense	-	-	(38 886)	(108 206)	(12 463)	(4 165)	-	(1 940)	(18 246)	-	(183 907)
Revaluation increments	-	48 854	124 970	109 968	-	-	-	-	-	-	283 792
Remeasurement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13 290	-	13 290
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June</b>	<b>55 364</b>	<b>795 698</b>	<b>847 844</b>	<b>1 845 001</b>	<b>207 481</b>	<b>49 867</b>	<b>37 468</b>	<b>6 008</b>	<b>75 465</b>	<b>36 795</b>	<b>3 956 991</b>

<sup>1</sup> Adjustment to revised opening balances to align with Treasurer's Annual Financial Statements

## 20. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

### 2022 Property, plant and equipment reconciliations

Property, plant and equipment includes right-of-use assets under AASB 16 Leases and service concession assets under AASB 1059. Further information on right-of-use assets are disclosed in Note 21. Respectively a reconciliation of the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment at the beginning and end year is set out below:

2022	Land-urban rental properties		Buildings-urban rental dwellings		Buildings-remote rental dwellings		Public Buildings		Infrastructure		Construction (work in progress)		Plant and equipment		Leased land and buildings		Total	
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Carrying amount as at 1 July	54 958	712 428	715 369	1 716 207	212 070	52 404	9 482	8 422	82 434	3 563 774								
Additions	-	-	12 211	97 186	9 342	376	3 693	2 228	190	125 226								
Disposals	-	(5 510)	(2 549)	(13 245)	-	-	(13 175)	-	-	(34 479)								
Depreciation/amortisation expense	-	-	(38 862)	(102 146)	(13 694)	(3 104)	-	(2 895)	(16 421)	(177 122)								
Additions/disposals from asset transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-								
Revaluation increments/decrements	-	39 740	64 568	48 020	(662)	-	-	-	-	151 666								
Remeasurement of leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5 074	5 074								
Transfer between asset classes	(215)	215	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-								
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June</b>	<b>54 743</b>	<b>746 873</b>	<b>750 737</b>	<b>1 746 022</b>	<b>207 056</b>	<b>49 676</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7 755</b>	<b>71 277</b>	<b>3 634 139</b>								



## 20. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

2022	\$000	Buildings-					Construction (work in progress)	Plant and equipment	Leased land and buildings	Total
		Land-urban rental properties	Buildings- urban rental dwellings	Buildings- remote rental dwellings	Public Buildings	Infrastructure				
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	
<b>Balance at 1 July</b>										
Gross carrying amount	54 958	14 291	62 596	228 768	146 852	45 768	11 286	-	574 001	
Accumulated depreciation/ amortisation	-	-	(2 985)	(11 243)	(9 137)	(3 452)	(2 889)	-	(29 706)	
<b>Carrying amount as at 1 July</b>	<b>54 958</b>	<b>14 291</b>	<b>59 611</b>	<b>217 525</b>	<b>137 715</b>	<b>42 316</b>	<b>8 397</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>544 295</b>	
Additions	-	-	650	5 295	4 917	199	2 202	190	17 146	
Disposals	-	-	-	462	-	-	-	-	462	
Depreciation/amortisation expense	-	-	15 074	(51 488)	(10 141)	(2 036)	(2 885)	(2 855)	(54 331)	
Revaluation increments/ decrements	-	447	13 808	7 074	(662)	-	-	-	20 667	
Other transfers out	(12 405)	(215)	-	-	-	-	(13 175)	25 700	(95)	
Remeasurement of leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 804	3 804	
Transfer between assets	(215)	215	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June</b>	<b>42 338</b>	<b>14 738</b>	<b>89 143</b>	<b>178 868</b>	<b>131 829</b>	<b>40 479</b>	<b>7 714</b>	<b>26 839</b>	<b>531 948</b>	

## 20. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

### c) Reconciliation of property, plant and equipment where the agency is a lessor under operating leases

A reconciliation of the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment where agency is lessor under operating leases is set out below. These assets are leased by public and non-government organisations for the purpose of providing services to the community.

2023	Land \$'000	Buildings- urban rental dwellings		Buildings- remote rental dwellings		Public Buildings \$'000	Infrastructure \$'000	Construction (work in progress) \$'000	Plant and equipment \$'000	Leased land and buildings \$'000	Service Concession Asset	Total \$'000
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000							
Carrying amount as at 1 July	12 405	732 135	661 594	1 567 155	75 227	9 197	-	41	44 438	-	-	3 102 192
Adjustment <sup>1</sup>	-	-	-	(77 699)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(77 699)
Additions	621	969	22 883	176 037	12 888	4 356	37 468	193	9 144	36 795	-	301 354
Disposals	-	(998)	(11 217)	(611)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(12 826)
Depreciation/ amortisation expense	-	-	(36 136)	(101 684)	(11 210)	(4 116)	-	(53)	(18 246)	-	-	(171 446)
Additions/disposals from asset transfers	-	-	(493)	(511)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1 004)
Revaluation increments/ decrements	-	48 619	124 970	109 968	-	-	-	-	13 290	-	-	296 847
Transfer between asset class	23 963	(3 813)	31 440	43 445	104 164	39 491	-	12	26 839	-	-	317 106
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June</b>	<b>36 989</b>	<b>776 912</b>	<b>793 041</b>	<b>1 716 100</b>	<b>181 069</b>	<b>48 928</b>	<b>37 468</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>75 465</b>	<b>36 795</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3 702 959</b>

<sup>1</sup> Adjustment to revised opening balances to align with Treasurer's Annual Financial Statements

## 20. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

2022	\$000	Buildings-					Construction (work in progress)	Plant and equipment	Leased land and buildings	Total
		Land-urban rental properties	Buildings- urban rental dwellings	Buildings- remote rental dwellings	Public Buildings	Infrastructure				
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	
<b>Balance at 1 July</b>										
Gross carrying amount	-	698 137	686 581	1 586 331	77 367	11 136	-	99 529	3 159 112	
Accumulated depreciation/ amortisation	-	-	(30 823)	(87 649)	(3 012)	(1 048)	-	(17 095)	(139 633)	
<b>Carrying amount as at 1 July</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>698 137</b>	<b>655 758</b>	<b>1 498 682</b>	<b>74 355</b>	<b>10 088</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>82 434</b>	<b>3 019 479</b>	
Additions	-	-	11 561	91 891	4 425	177	-	-	108 080	
Disposals	-	(5 510)	(2 549)	(13 707)	-	-	-	-	(21 766)	
Depreciation/amortisation expense	-	-	(53 936)	(50 658)	(3 553)	(1 068)	-	(13 566)	(122 791)	
Revaluation increments/ decrements	12 405	215	-	-	-	-	-	-	12 405	
Other transfers out	-	39 293	50 760	40 946	-	-	-	-	130 999	
Remeasurement of leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 270	1 270	
Transfer between assets										
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June</b>	<b>12 405</b>	<b>732 135</b>	<b>661 594</b>	<b>1 567 154</b>	<b>75 227</b>	<b>9 197</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>44 438</b>	<b>3 102 191</b>	

## 20. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

### Acquisitions

Property, plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost and subsequently revalued at fair value less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Cost is the amount of cash or cash equivalents paid or the fair value of the other consideration given to acquire the asset at the time of its acquisition or construction or, where applicable, the amount attributed to that asset when initially recognised in accordance with the requirements of other accounting standards.

All items of property, plant and equipment with a cost or other value, equal to or greater than \$10 000 are recognised in the year of acquisition and depreciated as outlined below. Items of property, plant and equipment below the \$10 000 threshold are expensed in the year of acquisition.

The construction cost of property, plant and equipment includes the cost of materials and direct labour, and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

### Complex assets

Major items of plant and equipment comprising a number of components that have different useful lives, are accounted for as separate assets. The components may be replaced during the useful life of the complex asset.

### Subsequent additional costs

Costs incurred on property, plant and equipment subsequent to initial acquisition are capitalised when it is probable that future economic benefits in excess of the originally assessed performance of the asset will flow to the agency in future years. Where these costs represent separate components of a complex asset, they are accounted for as separate assets and separately depreciated over their expected useful lives.

### Construction (work in progress)

As part of the financial management framework, the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics is responsible for managing general government capital works projects on a whole of government basis. Therefore appropriation for the remainder of the agencies capital works is provided directly to the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics and the cost of construction work in progress is recognised as an asset of that department. Once completed, capital works assets are transferred to the agency.

### Revaluations and impairment

#### Revaluation of assets

Subsequent to initial recognition, assets belonging to the following classes of non-current assets are revalued with sufficient regularity to ensure the carrying amount of these assets does not differ materially from their fair value at reporting date:

- urban rental land;
- urban rental dwellings; and
- remote rental land and dwellings including Government Employee Housing (GEH) remote rental dwellings.

Assets belonging to the following classes of non-current assets are revalued with sufficient regularity (at least once every five years) to ensure the carrying amount of these assets does not differ materially from their fair value at reporting date:

- land;
- public buildings; and
- infrastructure.

## 20. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less depreciation, which is deemed to equate to fair value.

For right-of-use assets, the net present value of the remaining lease payments is often an appropriate proxy for the fair value of relevant right-of-use assets at the time of initial recognition. Subsequently, right-of-use assets are stated at cost less amortisation, which is deemed to equate to fair value.

For right-of-use assets under leases that have significantly below-market terms and conditions principally to enable the agency to further its objectives, the agency has elected to measure the asset at cost. These right-of-use assets are not subject to revaluation.

Herron Todd White conducted an independent valuation at 30 June 2023 of all rental land and dwellings (urban and remote). The valuation outcomes are reflected in the financial statements.

### Urban rental properties

The basis for the valuation of urban rental properties is the market approach, that of 'fair value' being the estimate the price at which an orderly transaction to sell the asset or to transfer the liability would take place between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions. Urban rental properties consists of land, houses, flat complexes and units in body corporates.

Existing urban rental properties that have incurred major renovations or upgrading costs in the current year up to 31 December 2022 are included in the valuation – nil for current year. Assets with works completed in the current year post 31 December 2022 are excluded in the valuation. Remaining useful lives of all urban rental dwellings have been reassessed at the time of valuation. Any additional dwellings in the 2022-23 financial year have been excluded for revaluation.

### Remote rental dwellings including, Government Employee Housing (GEH) remote rental dwelling

Remote rental dwellings are measured on the basis of 'fair value' using the depreciated replacement cost methodology. The remaining useful lives of all remote rental dwellings are also reassessed at the time of valuation. Newly constructed dwellings in 2021-2022 and 2022-23 financial year have been excluded from the revaluation.

Refer to note 32: Fair value for additional disclosures.

### Impairment of assets

An asset is said to be impaired when the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount.

Non-current physical agency assets are assessed for indicators of impairment on an annual basis or whenever there is indication of impairment. If an indicator of impairment exists, the agency determines the asset's recoverable amount. The asset's recoverable amount is determined as the higher of the asset's current replacement cost and fair value less costs to sell. Any amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount is recorded as an impairment loss.

Impairment losses are recognised in the comprehensive operating statement. They are disclosed as an expense unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount. Where the asset is measured at a revalued amount, the impairment loss is offset against the asset revaluation surplus for that class of asset to the extent an available balance exists in the asset revaluation surplus.

In certain situations, an impairment loss may subsequently be reversed. Where an impairment loss is subsequently reversed, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the comprehensive operating statement as income, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment reversal results in an increase in the asset revaluation surplus. Note 31 provides additional information in relation to the asset revaluation surplus.

## 20. Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Agency property, plant and equipment assets were assessed for impairment as at 30 June 2023. Impairment adjustments were required on dwellings that are beyond economic repair (BER) and are earmarked for demolishing in the next 12 months. Adjustment for 2022-23 for these dwellings are recorded in the revaluation surplus.

### Depreciation and amortisation expense

Items of property, plant and equipment, including buildings but excluding land, have limited useful lives and are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives.

Amortisation applies in relation to intangible non-current assets with limited useful lives and is calculated and accounted for in a similar manner to depreciation.

The estimated useful lives for each class of asset are in accordance with the Treasurer's Directions or approved by the Treasurer and are determined as follows:

	2023	2022
Urban dwellings	50 years	50 years
Remote Public Housing Dwellings	30 years	30 years
GEH Remote Area Dwellings	40 years	40 years
Public Buildings	10-50 years	10-50 years
Infrastructure assets	8 years - infinite	8 years - infinite
Plant and equipment	5-10 years	5-10 years
Leased Land and Buildings Upgrades	Remaining period of lease	Remaining period of lease

Assets are depreciated or amortised from the date of acquisition or from the time an asset is complete and held ready for use.

The estimated useful lives disclosed above includes the useful lives of right-of-use assets under AASB 16. For further detail, refer to Note 21.

Assets are depreciated from the date of acquisition or from the time an asset is completed and held ready for use.

Remaining useful lives are reviewed and adjusted during regular revaluations.

The estimated useful lives disclosed above includes the useful lives of right-of-use assets under AASB 16 and service concession assets under AASB 1059. For further detail, refer to Note 21 and 22, respectively.

## 21. Agency as a lessee

The Department leases include private head leases for affordable and social housing head leases, and government employee housing dwellings, government employee housing remote land leases, remote land peppercorn leases, and vehicles. Lease contracts are typically made for fixed periods of two to 40 years, but may have extension options. Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants. The agency does not provide residual value guarantees in relation to leases.

Extension and termination options are included in a number of leases. These terms are used to maximise operational flexibility in terms of managing contracts. The majority of extension and termination options held are exercisable only by the agency and not by the respective lessor. In determining the lease term, management considers all facts and circumstances that create an economic incentive to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option. Extension options (or periods after termination options) are only included in the lease term if the lease is reasonably certain to be extended (or not terminated).

## 21. Agency as a lessee (continued)

Potential future cash outflows have not been included in the lease liability because it is not reasonably certain the leases will be extended (or not terminated). The assessment is reviewed if a significant event or a significant change in circumstances occurs that affects this assessment and is within the control of the lessee. During the current financial year, the financial effect of revising lease terms to reflect the effect of exercising extension and termination options did not have a material impact.

The agency has elected to recognise payments for short-term leases and low value leases as expenses on a straight-line basis, instead of recognising a right-of-use asset and lease liability. Short-term leases are leases with a lease term of 12 months or less with no purchase option. Low value assets are assets with a fair value of \$10,000 or less when new and not subject to a sublease arrangement.

### Right-of-use asset

The following table presents right-of-use assets (including concessionary leases) included in the carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment at Note 20.

	Land \$000	Buildings \$000	Total \$000
Balance as at 1 July 2022	24 332	46 944	71 276
Additions	-	9 145	9 145
Disposals			
Depreciation expense	(873)	(17 374)	(18 247)
Revaluation increments/decrements including remeasurement	1 706	11 584	13 290
Impairment losses			
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June 2023</b>	<b>25 165</b>	<b>50 299</b>	<b>75 464</b>

	Land \$000	Buildings \$000	Total \$000
Balance as at 1 July 2021	23 811	58 623	82 434
Additions from Administrative restructure	-	190	190
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	(817)	(15 604)	(16 421)
Amortisation expense	1 338	3 735	5 074
Revaluation increments/decrements including remeasurement	-	-	-
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June 2022</b>	<b>24 332</b>	<b>46 944</b>	<b>71 277</b>

The following amounts were recognised in the comprehensive operating for the year in respect of leases where the agency is the lessee:

	2023 \$000	2022 \$000
Amortisation expense of right-of-use assets	18 246	16 421
Interest expense on lease liabilities	2 339	2 041
Expense relating to short-term leases	14 459	11 312
Expense relating to lease of low-value assets	9	-
Intergovernmental leases	2 103	2 388
<b>Total amount recognised in the comprehensive operating statement</b>	<b>37 156</b>	<b>32 162</b>

## 21. Agency as a lessee (continued)

### Recognition and measurement

The agency assesses at contract inception whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. That is, if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

The agency recognises lease liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets, except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets.

The agency recognises right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are initially measured at the amount of initial measurement of the lease liability, adjusted by any lease payments made at or before the commencement date and lease incentives, any initial direct costs incurred, and estimated costs of dismantling and removing the asset or restoring the site.

Right-of-use assets are amortised on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term and the estimated useful lives of the assets, as follows:

	2023	2022
Land	12 to 40 years	12 to 40 years
Building	2 to 10 years	2 to 10 years

If ownership of the leased asset transfers to the agency at the end of the lease term or the cost reflects the exercise of a purchase option, depreciation is calculated using the estimated useful life of the asset.

The right-of-use assets are subsequently measured at fair value which approximates costs except for those arising from leases that have significantly below-market terms and conditions principally to enable the agency to further its objectives and are also subject to impairment.

The right-of-use assets are subject to remeasurement principles consistent with the lease liability including indexation and market rent review that approximates fair value and only revalued where a trigger or event may indicate their carrying amount does not equal fair value.

### **Inter-governmental leases**

The agency applies the inter-governmental leases recognition exemption as per the Treasurer's Direction – Leases, and recognises these as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term. These largely relate to the lease of motor vehicles from NT Fleet. Leases of commercial properties for office accommodation are centralised with the Department of Corporate and Digital Development (DCDD). Consequently all lease liabilities and right-of-use assets relating to these arrangements are recognised by DCDD and not disclosed within these financial statements.

### **Leases that have significantly below-market terms and conditions principally to enable the agency to further its objectives**

The Department owns remote public housing dwellings are on land owned by the Traditional owners. The agency enters into long-term peppercorn lease arrangements with the Traditional owners for these land parcels. Lease payments are generally set a \$1 per annum, payable if and when demanded, and are stipulated in the lease contracts. The leased land lots must be used for the provision of public housing and the construction, demolition, upgrading, extending, refurbishment, landscaping, and maintenance of houses. The remote public housing operation is dependent on these lease arrangements.

Right-of-use assets under leases at significantly below-market terms and conditions that are entered into principally to enable the agency to further its objectives, are measured at cost.

These right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term and the estimated useful lives of the assets, subject to impairment. They are not subject to revaluation.

## 22. Service concession assets

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Service concession assets</b>		
Gross carrying amount	36 795	-
Less: Accumulated depreciation	-	-
<b>Carrying amount at 30 June</b>	<b>36 795</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Reconciliation of carrying amount</b>		
Carrying amount at 1 July	-	-
Transfers in/(out)	36 795	-
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June</b>	<b>36 795</b>	<b>-</b>

Service concession assets are measured at current replacement cost on initial recognition or reclassification and are subsequently measured at fair value (determined using current replacement cost). The assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful lives of 50 years.

During the current period, the net carrying amount of \$36.8 million for existing assets of the entity have been recognised as service concession assets.

The agency's accounting policies on fair value measurement and impairment for property, plant and equipment disclosed in Note 20 also apply to service concession assets.

Specific accounting policies and disclosures for each of the agency's service concession arrangements are provided below.

### **Service Concession Arrangement 1 (SCA 1)**

Territory Families Housing and Communities (CEO Housing) entered into a contractual arrangement for a community housing transfer to provider Venture Housing Pty Ltd (concession holder). The community housing lease for John Stokes Square Residential Precinct Community Housing Management (JSS Lease) comprises of four-story buildings with 78 residential dwellings and three non-government organisation/community spaces. The agreement details the service to be provided for the provision of community housing and the arrangement will operate for a period of 20 years with an option to extend for 30 years.

Under the arrangement the leased premises are utilised by the Community Housing Providers (CHP) to provide the public of social and affordable rental housing. Venture Housing is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the assets including the general care of the premises. The CHP has the discretion to set and charge rent that maintains affordability for tenants and households and receives the revenue from the leased asset. There is implicit control of price setting by capping rent charged based on two regulatory factors: percentage of assessable income and Commonwealth Rent Assistance. Venture Housing must allocate the dwellings to eligible applicants from the Agency's waitlist.

The Agency (CEO Housing) retains ownership of the leased assets through the term and at the expiration of the lease. The fair value of the asset are recognised as a service concession asset of Territory Families, Housing and Communities.

## 23. Intangibles

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Intangibles with a finite useful life</b>		
<b>Computer Software</b>		
At cost	638	638
Less: accumulated amortisation	(638)	(638)
<b>Written down value - 30 June</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Reconciliation of Movements</b>		
Carrying amount at 1 July	-	-
Additions from administrative restructuring	-	-
Amortisation	-	-
Disposals	-	-
<b>Carrying value as at 30 June</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

### Impairment of intangibles

Agency intangible assets were assessed for impairment as at 30 June 2023. No impairment adjustments were required as a result of this review.

## 24. Heritage and cultural assets

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Carrying amount</b>		
At valuation	169 389	155 941
Less: Accumulated depreciation	-	-
<b>Written down value - 30 June</b>	<b>169 389</b>	<b>155 941</b>
<b>Reconciliation of movements</b>		
Carrying amount at 1 July	155 941	155 797
Additions/disposals from administrative restructuring	-	-
Additions for nil consideration	-	144
Revaluation increments	13 448	-
<b>Carrying amount as at 30 June</b>	<b>169 389</b>	<b>155 941</b>

### Heritage and cultural assets valuation

The latest valuation of heritage and cultural assets was independently conducted as at 30 June 2023 by Australian Valuations. The unique nature of some of the heritage and cultural assets may preclude reliable measurement. Such assets have not been recognised in the financial statements.

Refer to note 32: Fair value for additional disclosures.

### Impairment of heritage and cultural assets

Agency heritage and cultural assets were assessed for impairment as at 30 June 2023. No impairment adjustments were required as a result of this review.

## 25. Deposits held

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Gifts fund account	4	3
Accountable Officer's Trust Account (Note 25a)	6 750	7 703
<b>Total deposits held</b>	<b>6 754</b>	<b>7 706</b>

Deposits held mainly comprise Accountable Officer's Trust Account and clearing money

Accountable Officer's Trust Accounts hold trust monies established under legislations held by the agency on behalf of others for a specific purpose and not for use in operations of government. These include unclaimed monies, rent security deposits and other deposits for Araluen productions.

Clearing money is public money in transit that is payable to another entity. These funds typically do not contribute to the operations of the agency.

### a) Accountable officer's trust account

Accountable officer's trust account balances comprise:

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Security deposit	6 283	6 363
Unclaimed money	355	1 018
Other money	112	322
<b>Total accountable officer's trust account</b>	<b>6 750</b>	<b>7 703</b>

## 26. Payables

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Accounts payable	2 320	1 369
Accrued expenses	23 523	16 988
Government payables	1 586	1 822
Interest payables	19	21
<b>Total payables</b>	<b>27 448</b>	<b>20 200</b>

Liabilities for accounts payable and other amounts payable are carried at cost, which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the agency. Accounts payable are normally settled within 20 days from receipt of valid invoices under \$1 million or 30 days for invoices over \$1 million.

## 27. Borrowings and advances

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Current</b>		
Loans and advances	4 943	4 344
Lease liabilities	16 760	14 137
	<b>21 703</b>	<b>18 481</b>
<b>Non current</b>		
Loans and advances	50 073	55 015
Lease liabilities	62 670	60 050
	<b>112 743</b>	<b>115 065</b>
<b>Total borrowings and advances</b>	<b>134 446</b>	<b>133 546</b>

### Loans and advances

Loans and advances are recorded initially at fair value, net of transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, these are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses are recognised in net result when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the amortisation process.

### Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of the lease where the agency is the lessee, the agency recognises lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. Lease payments include:

- fixed payments (including in substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate
- amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees
- exercise price of a purchase options reasonably certain to be exercised by the agency
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the agency exercising the option to terminate.

Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as expenses (unless they are incurred to produce inventories) in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease. If that rate cannot be readily determined, which is generally the case for the agency's leases, the Northern Territory Treasury Corporation's institutional bond rate is used as the incremental borrowing rate.

After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the lease payments (such as changes to future payments resulting from a change in an index or rate used to determine such lease payments) or a change in the assessment of an option to purchase the underlying asset.

## 27. Borrowings and advances (continued)

The following table presents liabilities under leases.

	2023		2022	
	\$000		\$000	
Balance at 1 July	74 187		84 681	
Additions/remeasurements	22 435		5 264	
Interest expenses	2 339		2 041	
Payments	(19 532)		(17 799)	
<b>Balance at 30 June</b>	<b>79 430</b>		<b>74 187</b>	

Future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable leases not recorded as a liability are as follows:

	2023		2022	
	Internal	External	Internal	External
Within one year	1 098	6 342	1 383	2 618
Later than one year and not later than five years	1 879	636	1 987	138
Later than five years	-	-	-	-
	<b>2 977</b>	<b>6 978</b>	<b>3 370</b>	<b>2 756</b>

## 28. Provisions

	2022		2021	
	\$000		\$000	
<b>Current</b>				
<i>Employee benefits</i>				
Recreation leave	14 558		15 562	
Leave loading	2 182		2 154	
Recreation leave fares	28		33	
<i>Other current provisions</i>				
Fringe Benefits Tax	163		137	
Payroll Tax	1 141		1 162	
Superannuation contributions	2 115		1 873	
<b>Total provisions</b>	<b>20 187</b>		<b>20 921</b>	

The Agency employed 1 208 full time equivalent employees as at 30 June 2023 (1,280 as at 30 June 2022).

### Employee benefits

Provision is made for employee benefits accumulated as a result of employees rendering services up to the reporting date. These benefits include wages and salaries and recreation leave. Liabilities arising in respect of wages and salaries, recreation leave and other employee benefit liabilities that fall due within twelve months of reporting date are classified as current liabilities and are measured at amounts expected to be paid. Non-current employee benefit liabilities that fall due after twelve months of the reporting date are measured at present value, calculated using the government long-term bond rate.

## 28. Provisions (continued)

No provision is made for sick leave, which is non-vesting, as the anticipated pattern of future sick leave to be taken is less than the entitlement accruing in each reporting period.

Employee benefit expenses are recognised on a net basis in respect of the following categories:

- wages and salaries, non-monetary benefits, recreation leave and other leave entitlements
- other types of employee benefits.

As part of the financial management framework, the Central Holding Authority assumes the long service leave liabilities of government agencies, including the Department and therefore no long service leave liability is recognised in agency financial statements.

### Superannuation

Employees' superannuation entitlements are provided through the:

- Northern Territory Government and Public Authorities Superannuation Scheme (NTGPASS)
- Commonwealth Superannuation Scheme (CSS)
- or non-government employee nominated schemes for those employees commencing on or after 10 August 1999.

The agency makes superannuation contributions on behalf of its employees to the Central Holding Authority or non-government employee-nominated schemes. Superannuation liabilities related to government superannuation schemes are held by the Central Holding Authority and therefore not recognised in agency financial statements.

## 29. Other liabilities

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Current</b>		
Unearned contract revenue rent charged/paid in advance	3 337	1 502
Unearned contract revenue-other	51 063	1 730
<b>Total other liabilities</b>	<b>54 400</b>	<b>3 232</b>

### Unearned contract revenue liability

The agency anticipates to recognise as revenue, any liabilities for unsatisfied obligations as at the end of the reporting period in accordance with the time bands below:

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Not later than one year	3 348	3 232
Later than one year and not later than five years	51 052	-
Later than five years	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>54 400</b>	<b>3 232</b>

### 30. Commitments

Commitments contracted represent future obligations or cash outflows that are not recognised as liabilities on the balance sheet and can be reliably measured

Disclosures in relation to other commitments are detailed below

#### (a) Other non-cancellable contract commitments<sup>1</sup>

	2023		2022	
	Internal	External	Internal	External
Within one year	1 176	239 750	1 338	258 184
Later than one year and not later than five years	1 971	133 334	1 987	81 264
Later than five years	-	5 602	-	-
<b>Total other non-cancellable contract commitments (exclusive of GST)</b>	<b>3 147</b>	<b>378 686</b>	<b>3 325</b>	<b>339 448</b>
Plus: GST recoverable	294	22 949	-	-
<b>Total other non-cancellable contract commitments (inclusive of GST)</b>	<b>3 441</b>	<b>401 635</b>	<b>3 325</b>	<b>339 448</b>

<sup>1</sup> Excludes capital and lease commitments, but includes grants maintenance contracts. Also excludes amounts recognised as unearned revenue in the agency's financial records.

### 31. Reserves

#### Asset revaluation surplus

(i) Nature and purpose of the asset revaluation surplus

The asset revaluation surplus includes the net revaluation increments and decrements arising from the revaluation of non-current assets. Impairment adjustments may also be recognised in the asset revaluation surplus.

	Land		Land- Urban Rental Properties		Buildings- Urban Rental Dwellings		Buildings- Remote Rental Dwellings		Public Buildings		Infrastructure		Heritage and Cultural Assets		Total	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Balance as at 1 July	29 330	29 330	695 391	655 651	195 712	131 144	729 283	696 297	67 353	73 696	4 449	4 449	154 429	154 429	1 875 947	1 744 996
Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	(77 699)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(77 699)	-
Correction of Prior Period errors	-	-	-	-	-	-	(370)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(370)	-
Increment/ (decrement)	-	-	48 854	39 740	124 970	64 568	109 968	48 019	-	(662)	-	-	13 447	-	297 239	151 666
Transfers In	-	-	35	-	747	-	113	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	895	-
Transfers to accumulated funds	-	-	-	-	(6 627)	-	9 869	(15 033)	-	(5 681)	-	-	-	-	3 242	(20 714)
<b>Balance as at 30 June</b>	<b>29 330</b>	<b>29 330</b>	<b>744 280</b>	<b>695 391</b>	<b>314 802</b>	<b>195 712</b>	<b>771 164</b>	<b>729 283</b>	<b>67 353</b>	<b>67 353</b>	<b>4 449</b>	<b>4 449</b>	<b>167 876</b>	<b>154 429</b>	<b>2 099 254</b>	<b>1 875 948</b>

## 32. Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use. The highest and best use takes into account the use of the asset that is physically possible, legally permissible and financially feasible.

When measuring fair value, the valuation techniques used maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. Unobservable inputs are used to the extent that sufficient relevant and reliable observable inputs are not available for similar assets/liabilities.

Observable inputs are publicly available data relevant to the characteristics of the assets/liabilities being valued. Observable inputs used by the agency include, but are not limited to, published sales data for land and general office buildings.

Unobservable inputs are data, assumptions and judgments not available publicly but relevant to the characteristics of the assets/liabilities being valued. Such inputs include internal agency adjustments to observable data to take account of particular and potentially unique characteristics/functionality of assets/liabilities and assessments of physical condition and remaining useful life.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the following fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used:

Level 1 – inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

Level 2 – inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly

Level 3 – inputs are unobservable.

The fair value of financial instruments is determined on the following basis:

- the fair value of cash, deposits, advances, receivables and payables approximates their carrying amount, which is also their amortised cost
- the fair value of derivative financial instruments are derived using current market yields and exchange rates appropriate to the instrument
- the fair value of other monetary financial assets and liabilities is based on discounting to present value the expected future cash flows by applying current market interest rates for assets and liabilities with similar risk profiles.

### 32. Fair value measurement (continued)

#### a) Fair value hierarchy

The agency does not recognise any financial assets or liabilities at fair value as these are recognised at amortised cost. The carrying amounts of these financial assets and liabilities approximates their fair value.

The table below presents non-financial assets recognised at fair value in the balance sheet categorised by levels of inputs used to compute fair value.

	Note	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total fair value	
		2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Assets</b>									
Land	20	-	-	7 594	6 973	47 770	47 770	55 364	54 743
Land-urban rental properties	20	-	-	795 698	746 873	-	-	795 698	746 873
Buildings- urban rental dwellings	20	-	-	847 844	750 737	-	-	847 844	750 737
Buildings-remote rental dwellings	20	-	-	-	-	1 845 000	1 746 022	1 845 000	1 746 022
Public buildings	20	-	-	34 031	520	173 450	205 536	207 481	207 056
Infrastructure	20	-	-	-	-	49 867	49 676	49 867	49 676
Plant and equipment	20	-	-	-	-	6 008	7 755	6 008	7 755
Construction (work in progress)	20	-	-	-	-	37 468	-	37 468	-
Leased land and buildings	20	-	-	-	-	75 465	71 277	75 465	71 277
Service concession assets				36 795	-	-	-	36 795	-
Heritage and cultural assets	24	-	-	-	-	169 388	155 941	169 388	155 941
Intangible assets	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 721 962</b>	<b>1 505 103</b>	<b>2 404 416</b>	<b>2 283 977</b>	<b>4 126 378</b>	<b>3 790 080</b>

## 32. Fair value measurement (continued)

### b) Valuation techniques and inputs

Valuation techniques used to measure fair value in 2022-23 are:

Asset classes	Level 2	Level 3
	techniques	techniques
Land (Note 20)	Market approach	-
Land-urban rentals properties (Note 20)	Market approach	-
Buildings-urban rental dwellings (Note 20)	Market approach	-
Buildings-remote rental dwellings (Note 20)	-	Cost approach
Public buildings (Note 20)	Market approach	Cost approach
Infrastructure	Market approach	Cost approach
Plant and equipment (Note 20)	-	Cost approach
Leased land and buildings (Note 20)	-	Cost approach
Heritage and cultural assets (Note 24)	Market approach	Cost approach
Intangibles (Note 23)	-	Cost approach

The agency's assets, excluding plant and equipment and construction (work in progress) are stated at their revalued amounts, being the fair value at the date of revaluation, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation, impairment losses, and any additions or modifications. Land, buildings, infrastructure and heritage and cultural assets are revalued at least once every five years. The agency's urban land and urban and remote dwellings are revalued every year to ensure the carrying amount of these assets does not differ materially from their fair value at reporting date.

Herron Todd White performed a valuation of urban and remote rental land and dwellings at 30 June 2023.

Level 2 fair values of urban rental land and buildings are based on market evidence of sales price of comparable land and buildings in similar locations.

Level 3 fair values of remote rental properties are determined by calculating their depreciated replacement costs due to the absence of an active market within remote locations. The depreciated replacement cost is derived from a combination of internal records detailing the historical cost of the dwellings, which are adjusted for contemporary technology and construction methods. Significant judgement is exercised in assessing the dwellings remaining useful lives, taking into account variable such as local environmental conditions, projected usage, and records of the current condition of the dwellings.

Public building and infrastructure assets are valued at level 2 or level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, subject to the characteristics of the building and availability of market information. Due to the unique and specialised nature of the agency's building and infrastructure assets, combined with inherent restrictions upon use of some of these assets, depreciated replacement cost has been determined the primary method of valuation.

The depreciated replacement cost was based on a combination of internal records of the historical cost of the assets, adjusted for contemporary pricing and construction approaches, project costs of recent construction, cost data from construction manuals, the remaining useful life of the assets, and current conditions of the assets. This was then assessed against observable market data including price per square metre. Where an active market and relevant data does not exist for building and infrastructure assets that are special-purpose or have limited other uses, these assets are categorised within level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

## 32. Fair value measurement (continued)

The agency's heritage and cultural assets are stated at their revalued amounts, being the fair value at the date of revaluation, less subsequent accumulated impairment losses. Assets were valued June 2023

The heritage and cultural assets held by the agency are by nature unique and due to a range of factors including provenance, rarity, a paucity of observable market data and activity, valuation of these assets requires market inputs to be materially adjusted and a high degree of professional judgement. Further, appraisals conducted by statistical sampling methodology and that use cost approach methodology introduces inherent risk and the use of unobservable inputs. Consequently, due to the level of professional judgement exercised by the valuers, all heritage and cultural assets are categorised as level 3.

For the purpose of the revaluation, the agency's heritage and cultural assets were divided into two distinct sections, namely Natural Sciences and Cultural Heritage and Fine Art.

Level 3 fair value of the collections held at the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory and Araluen Art Centre were determined as follows:

- **Recollection cost approach:** Recollection cost approach follows the principle of substitution and is based on the averaged unit cost to collect and accession of a substitute specimen, object or item. Most Natural Science objects cannot be reliably valued using the market approach because they have no observable market value. Therefore, the current replacement approach was used for the Natural Science collection, except for the Meteorite collection (see market approach). The Archaeological objects under the Cultural Heritage and Fine Art Collection were also valued under this approach.
- **Market approach:** This approach is based on verified sales of comparable items. For rare items, and where there is a paucity of market data, the Valuer looked to market indications, these included items of similar importance for sale. In these instances, the Valuer relied on their professional experience, judgement, and interpretation of similar items and current market conditions. The Cultural Heritage and Fine Art collection, except objects on the Archaeological collection (see recollection cost approach), were valued under this approach. The Meteorite collection under the Natural Sciences category was also valued under this approach.

### 32. Fair value measurement (continued)

#### c) Additional information for level 3 fair value measurements

(i) Reconciliation of recurring level 3 fair value measurements of non financial assets

	Land- urban rental properties	Buildings- urban rental dwellings	Buildings- remote rental dwellings	Public Buildings	Infra- structure	Construction (work in progress)	Plant and equipment	Leased land and buildings	Heritage and cultural assets	Intangible assets	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>2022-23</b>											
Fair value as at 1 July 2022	47 770	-	1 746 022	206 536	49 676	-	7 755	71 277	155 941	-	2 284 977
Adjustments	-	-	(77 699)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(77 699)
Additions	-	-	176 037	11 608	4 356	37 468	193	9 144	-	-	238 806
Disposals	-	-	(611)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(611)
Depreciation/ amortisation	-	-	(108 206)	(9 161)	(4 165)	-	(1 940)	(18 246)	-	-	(141 718)
Revaluation increments/ decrements including remeasurements	-	-	117 093	-	-	-	-	13 290	13 447	-	143 830
Transfer between asset classes	-	-	(7 636)	(35 533)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(43 169)
<b>Fair value as at 30 June 2023</b>	<b>47 770</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 845 000</b>	<b>173 450</b>	<b>49 867</b>	<b>37 468</b>	<b>6 008</b>	<b>75 465</b>	<b>169 388</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2 404 416</b>

### 32. Fair value measurement (continued)

	Land- urban rental properties	Buildings- urban rental dwellings	Buildings- remote rental dwellings	Public Buildings	Infra- structure	Construction (work in progress)	Plant and equipment	Leased land and buildings	Heritage and cultural assets	Intangible assets	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>2021-22</b>											
Fair value as at 1 July 2021	-	-	1 716 207	211 522	52 404	9 482	8 422	82 434	155 797	-	2 236 268
Additions	-	-	97 186	9 342	376	3 693	2 228	190	-	-	113 015
Disposals	-	-	(13 245)	-	-	(13 175)	-	-	-	-	(26 420)
Depreciation/ amortisation	-	-	(102 146)	(12 137)	(3 104)	-	(2 902)	(16 421)	-	-	(136 710)
Other transfers	47 770	-	-	(1 516)	-	-	-	-	-	-	46 254
Revaluation increments/ decrements	-	-	48 020	(674)	-	-	-	-	144	-	47 490
Remeasurement of leases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5 074	-	-	5 074
<b>Fair value as at 30 June 2022</b>	<b>47 770</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1 746 022</b>	<b>206 537</b>	<b>49 676</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7 748</b>	<b>71 277</b>	<b>155 941</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2 284 971</b>

## 32. Fair value measurement (continued)

### (ii) Sensitivity analysis

**Remote rental dwellings** - Unobservable inputs used in computing the fair value of buildings include the new replacement costs on a per structure basis, have been ascertained from analysis of remote residential construction contracts for new constructions over the past year on either a whole or part basis, information received from a major constructions contractors/architects/quantity surveyors and engineers cross referenced to Rawlinson's, Cordell's and the Building Economists guidelines to derive construction cost rates on a per square metre/net area modern equivalent basis.

Useful economic life determinations on a per structure basis have been undertaken with reference to historic information, individual construction/engineering characteristics and associated obsolescent factors (to include technical, structural, economic and functional features) and industry standards as identified by the Australian Taxation Office and the Institute of Chartered Accounts in Australia. Remote residential housing and associated infrastructure are generally accepted to have useful economic lives of between 20-40 years, however individual units will vary dependent on construction type, location, utility, alternate use and related service features and functions. For the purpose of this valuation a useful economic life of 30 years has been applied in all instances with the exception of Government Employee Housing (GEH) which have a higher quality of internal fit-out and fittings, and these have had a useful economic life of 40 years applied.

Given the locations and number of agency buildings, it is not practical to compute a relevant summary measure for the unobservable inputs. In respect of sensitivity of fair value to changes in input value, a higher replacement cost results in a higher fair value and greater consumption of economic benefit lowers fair value.

**Other land, buildings and infrastructure** - Unobservable inputs used in computing the fair value of these assets include the historical cost and the consumed economic benefit for each asset. Given the large number of assets, it is not practical to compute a relevant summary measure for the unobservable inputs. In respect of sensitivity of fair value to change in input value, a higher historical cost results in a higher fair value and greater consumption of economic benefit lowers fair value.

**Heritage and cultural assets** - The key unobservable input used in computing the fair value of these assets is their 'contribution' to the purpose of the agency, but without regard to any intangible or non-monetary values that they may possess (scientific, cultural, historical, or sentimental values). Given the nature of the agency's heritage and cultural assets, it is not practical to compute a relevant summary measure for the unobservable inputs. In respect of sensitivity of fair value to changes in input value, a higher or lower replacement or recollection cost results in a higher or lower fair value respectively.

## 33. Financial instruments

A financial instrument is a contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

Financial assets and liabilities are recognised on the balance sheet when the agency becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. The agency's financial instruments include cash and deposits; receivables; advances paid; payables and borrowings.

Due to the nature of operating activities, certain financial assets and financial liabilities arise under statutory obligations rather than a contract. Such financial assets and liabilities do not meet the definition of financial instruments as per AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation. These include statutory receivables arising from taxes including GST and penalties.

The Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities has limited exposure to financial risks as discussed below.

### 33. Financial instruments (continued)

Exposure to interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk, credit risk, price risk and liquidity risk arise in the normal course of activities. The Territory Government's investments, loans and placements, and borrowings are predominantly managed through the Northern Territory Treasury Corporation adopting strategies to minimise the risk.

#### a) Categories of financial instruments

The carrying amounts of the agency's financial assets and liabilities by category are disclosed in the table below.

	Fair value through profit or loss		Amortised cost	Fair value through other comprehensive income	Total
	Mandatorily at fair value	Designated at fair value			
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>2022-23</b>					
Cash and deposits		154 022			154 022
Receivables			11 046		11 046
<b>Total financial assets</b>		<b>154 022</b>	<b>11 046</b>		<b>165 068</b>
Deposits held			6 754		6 754
Payables			27 448		27 448
Loans			55 016		55 016
Lease liabilities			79 429		79 429
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>			<b>168 647</b>		<b>168 647</b>
<b>2021-22</b>					
Cash and deposits	-	25 791	-	-	25 791
Receivables	-	-	4 369	-	4 369
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25 791</b>	<b>4 369</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30 160</b>
Deposits held	-	-	7 706	-	7 706
Payables	-	-	20 200	-	20 200
Loans	-	-	59 359	-	59 359
Lease liabilities	-	-	74 187	-	74 187
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>161 452</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>161 452</b>

#### Categories of financial instruments

The agency's financial instruments are classified in accordance with AASB 9.

Financial assets are classified under the following categories:

- amortised cost
- fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)
- fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL).

Financial liabilities are classified under the following categories:

- amortised cost
- fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL).

### 33. Financial instruments (continued)

These classification are based on the agency's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows. Where assets are measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss, or other comprehensive income.

Financial instruments are reclassified when and only when the agency's business model for managing those assets changes.

Financial assets with embedded derivatives are considered in their entirety when determining whether their cash flows are solely payment of principal and interest.

#### Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets are classified at amortised cost when they are held by the agency to collect the contractual cash flows and the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest.

These assets are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment. The agency's financial assets categorised at amortised cost include receivables, advances paid, leases receivables, term deposits and certain debt securities.

#### Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Financial assets are classified at fair value through other comprehensive income when they are held by the agency to collect contractual cash flows and the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest.

These assets are initially and subsequently recognised at fair value. Changes in the fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income, except for the recognition of impairment gains or losses and interest income which are recognised in the operating result in the comprehensive operating statement. When financial assets are derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified from equity to the comprehensive operating statement.

For equity instruments elected to be categorised at FVOCI, changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income are not reclassified to profit or loss on derecognition of the asset. Dividends from such instruments continue to be recognised in the comprehensive operating statement as other income when the agency's right to receive payments is established.

The agency does not have any financial assets under this category.

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets are classified at FVTPL where they do not meet the criteria for amortised cost or FVOCI. These assets are initially and subsequently recognised at fair value with gains or losses recognised in the net result for the year.

The agency's financial assets categorised at FVTPL include investments in managed unit trusts and certain debt instruments. Unrealised gains in relation to these investments are recognised in other economic flows in the comprehensive operating statement, however realised gains are recognised in the net result.

The agency does not have any financial assets under this category.

#### Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities at amortised cost are initially measured at fair value, net of directly attributable transaction costs. These are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. The agency's financial liabilities categorised at amortised cost include all accounts payable, deposits held, advances received, lease liabilities and borrowings.

### 33. Financial instruments (continued)

#### Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities are classified at FVTPL when the liabilities are either held for trading or designated as FVTPL. Financial liabilities classified at FVTPL are initially and subsequently measured at fair value with gains or losses recognised in the net result for the year.

For financial liabilities designated at FVTPL, changes in the fair value of the liability attributable to changes in the agency's credit risk are recognised in other comprehensive income, while remaining changes in the fair value are recognised in the net result.

The agency does not have any financial liabilities under this category.

#### Derivatives

The agency may enter into a variety of derivative financial instruments to manage its exposure to interest rate risk. The agency did not speculate on trading of derivatives in 2022-2023.

#### Netting of swap transactions

The agency, from time to time, may facilitate certain structured finance arrangements, where a legally recognised right to set-off financial assets and liabilities exists, and the Territory intends to settle on a net basis. Where these arrangements occur, the revenues and expenses are offset and the net amount is recognised in the comprehensive operating statement.

#### b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation

The agency has limited credit risk exposure (risk of default). In respect of any dealings with organisations external to government, the agency has adopted a policy of only dealing with credit worthy organisations and obtaining sufficient collateral or other security where appropriate, as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from defaults.

The carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the financial statements, net of any allowances for losses, represents the agency's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking account of the value of any collateral or other security obtained.

Credit risk relating to receivables is disclosed in Note 16 and advances paid in Note 18.

#### c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk the agency will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The agency's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure it will always have sufficient funds to meet its liabilities when they fall due. This is achieved by ensuring minimum levels of cash are held in the agency bank account to meet various current employee and supplier liabilities. The agency's exposure to liquidity risk is minimal. Cash injections are available from the Central Holding Authority in the event of one-off extraordinary expenditure items arise that deplete cash to levels that compromise the agency's ability to meet its financial obligations.

The following tables detail the agency's remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities, calculated based on undiscounted cash flows at reporting date. The undiscounted cash flows in these tables differ from the amounts included in the balance sheet, which are based on discounted cash flows.

### 33. Financial instruments (continued)

#### 2023 Maturity analysis for financial liabilities

	Carrying amount	Less than a year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Deposits held	6 754	6 754	-	-	6 754
Payables	27 448	27 448	-	-	27 448
Loans	55 016	11 736	58 679	14 483	84 898
Lease liabilities	79 429	18 027	33 926	40 762	92 715
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>168 646</b>	<b>63 965</b>	<b>92 605</b>	<b>55 245</b>	<b>211 815</b>

#### 2022 Maturity analysis for financial liabilities

	Carrying amount	Less than a year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Deposits held	21 568	21 568	-	-	21 568
Advances received	-	-	-	-	-
Payables	-	-	-	-	-
Loans	59 359	11 736	58 679	26 219	96 634
Lease liabilities	74 187	15 954	38 528	40 931	95 413
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>155 114</b>	<b>49 258</b>	<b>97 207</b>	<b>67 150</b>	<b>213 615</b>

#### d) Market risk

Market risk is the risk the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. It comprises interest rate risk, price risk and currency risk.

##### (i) Interest rate risk

The Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities exposure to interest rate risk by asset and liability classes is disclosed below.

### 33. Financial instruments (continued)

#### 2023 Interest rate risk for financial assets and liabilities

	Interest bearing			Total	Weighted average
	Variable	Fixed	Non-interest bearing		
	\$000	\$000	\$000		
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and deposits	154 022	-	-	154 022	4.10%
Receivables	-	-	11 046	11 046	-
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>154 022</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11 046</b>	<b>165 068</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Deposits held	-	-	6 754	6 754	-
Payables	-	-	27 448	27 448	-
Loans	-	55 016	-	55 016	12.35%
Lease liabilities	-	79 429	-	79 429	2.93%
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>134 445</b>	<b>34 202</b>	<b>168 647</b>	

#### 2022 Interest rate risk for financial assets and liabilities

	Interest bearing			Total	Weighted average
	Variable	Fixed	Non-interest bearing		
	\$000	\$000	\$000		
<b>Assets</b>					
Cash and deposits	25 791	-	-	25 791	0.85%
Receivables	-	-	8 933	15 236	
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>25 791</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8 933</b>	<b>41 027</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Deposits held	-	-	7 706	7 706	
Payables	-	-	20 200	20 200	
Loans	-	59 359	-	59 359	12.88%
Lease liabilities	-	74 187	-	74 187	2.72%
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>133 546</b>	<b>27 906</b>	<b>161 452</b>	

### 33. Financial instruments (continued)

#### Sensitivity analysis

Changes in the variable rates of 100 basis points (1 per cent) at reporting date would have the following effect on the agency's profit or loss and equity.

	100 basis points increase	100 basis points decrease
	\$000	\$000
<b>30 June 2023</b>		
Financial assets – cash at bank	1 540	(1 540)
<b>Net sensitivity</b>	<b>1 540</b>	<b>(1 540)</b>
<b>30 June 2022</b>		
Financial assets – cash at bank	258	(258)
<b>Net sensitivity</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>(258)</b>

#### (ii) Price risk

The Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities is not exposed to price risk as the Department does not hold units in unit trusts.

#### (iii) Currency risk

The Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities is not exposed to currency risk as the Department does not hold borrowings denominated in foreign currencies or transactional currency exposures arising from purchases in a foreign currency.

## 34. Related parties

### *i) Related parties*

The Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities is a government administrative entity and is wholly owned and controlled by the Territory Government. Related parties of the department include:

- the portfolio minister and key management personnel (KMP) because they have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the department directly
- close family members of the portfolio minister or KMP including spouses, children and dependents
- all public sector entities that are controlled and consolidated into the whole of government financial statements
- any entities controlled or jointly controlled by KMP's or the portfolio minister, or controlled or jointly controlled by their close family members.

### *ii) Key management personnel (KMP)*

Key management personnel of the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of Department Territory Families, Housing and Communities. These include the ministers, the Chief Executive Officer and the 18 members of the executive team of Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities as listed in the Annual Report.

### *iii) Remuneration of key management personnel*

The details below excludes the salaries and other benefits of ministers for service as the ministers's remunerations and allowances are payable by the Department of the Legislative Assembly and consequently disclosed within the Treasurer's annual financial statements.

The aggregate compensation of key management personnel of Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities is set out below:

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Short-term benefits	6 639	6 032
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 639</b>	<b>6 032</b>

### *iv) Related party transactions:*

Transactions with Northern Territory Government-controlled entities

The department's primary ongoing source of funding is received from the Central Holding Authority in the form of output and capital appropriation and on-passed Commonwealth national partnership and specific-purpose payments.

The following table provides quantitative information about related party transactions entered into during the year with all other Northern Territory Government-controlled entities.

## 34. Related parties (continued)

### 2023

Related party	Revenue from related parties \$000	Payments to related parties \$000	Amounts owed by related parties \$000	Amounts owed to related parties \$000
All NT Government departments	97 233	163 961	146 338	70 951

### 2022

Related party	Revenue from related parties \$000	Payments to related parties \$000	Amounts owed by related parties \$000	Amounts owed to related parties \$000
All NT Government departments	47 314	155 257	18 377	73 245

The department's transactions with other government entities are set out below.

- Payments to Power and Water Corporation of \$26.9 million and Jacana Energy of \$12.1 million for Community Service Obligations for the Northern Territory Concession and Seniors Recognition Schemes, and utility costs for assets owned by the Department.
- Payments to Department of Corporate Digital Development (DCDD) are predominantly related to central billing of information communication costs of \$3.3 million.
- Payments to Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL) are predominantly related to repairs and maintenance cost for Government Employee Housing of \$5.3 million.

Other related party transactions are as follows:

Given the breadth and depth of Territory Government activities, related parties will transact with the Territory public sector in a manner consistent with other members of the public including paying stamp duty and other government fees and charges and therefore these transactions have not been disclosed.

All other related party transactions in excess of \$10,000 have been provided in the tables below.

Transaction type	Transaction value for year ended 30 June 2023 \$000	Net receivable/ (payable) as at 30 June 2023 \$000	Commitments at 30 June 2023 \$000
Grants	721	-	2 557
Services received	15 206	554	3 542

The amounts outstanding are unsecured and will be settled in cash. No guarantees have been given or received. No expense has been recognised in the current year for bad or doubtful debts in respect of the amounts owed by related parties.

## 35. Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

### a) Contingent liabilities

There are a number of current court proceedings against the department that may result in the department having to pay compensation. The likelihood of payment and settlement cost of these court matters cannot be determined at this point.

As a lessee, the department holds finance leases on 618 affordable and social housing dwellings across the NT where it is required to make good as the leases expire. A reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation cannot be made at this stage.

The department also holds contingent liabilities in operating and finance lease agreements on Government Employee Housing dwellings and Remote Government Employee Housing land leases. The risk associated with these agreements is assessed and considered low and unquantifiable.

### b) Contingent assets

The Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities had no contingent assets as at 30 June 2023.

## 36. Events subsequent to balance date

No events have arisen between the end of the financial year and the date of this report that require adjustments to, or disclose in the financial statements.

## 37. Schedule of administered Territory items

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>TERRITORY INCOME AND EXPENSES</b>		
<b>Income</b>		
Fees from regulatory services	1 260	-
Other income	134	-
<b>Total income</b>	<b>1 394</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Other administrative expenses	1 394	-
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>1 394</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>TERRITORY INCOME LESS EXPENSES</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>TERRITORY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Assets</b>		
Unearned Central Holding Authority Receivables	500	500
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Unearned Central Holding Authority income	500	500
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## 38. Budgetary information

### Comprehensive operating statement

	2022-23 Actual	2022-23 Original budget	Variance	Note
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
<b>INCOME</b>				
Grants and subsidies revenue				
Current	1 223	205	1 018	1
Capital	-	-	-	
Appropriation				
Output	707 054	656 197	50 857	2
Commonwealth	72 630	64 939	7 691	3
Sales of goods and services	119 375	103 741	15 634	4
Goods and services received free of charge	167 136	114 710	52 426	5
Other income	2 304	1 733	571	6
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>1 069 722</b>	<b>941 525</b>	<b>128 197</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Employee expenses	165 676	159 297	6 379	7
Administrative expenses			-	
Purchases of goods and services	227 029	189 985	37 044	8
Depreciation and amortisation	183 907	178 372	5 535	9
Services free of charge	167 136	114 710	52 426	10
Other administrative expenses	20 301	-	20 301	11
Grants and subsidies expenses				
Current	326 167	391 848	(65 681)	12
Capital	52 609	44 801	7 808	13
Community service obligations	17 011	18 861	(1 850)	
Interest expenses	9 730	9 602	128	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>1 169 566</b>	<b>1 107 476</b>	<b>62 090</b>	
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>	<b>(99 844)</b>	<b>(165 951)</b>	<b>66 107</b>	
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>				
<b>Items that will not be reclassified to net surplus/ deficit</b>				
Changes in asset revaluation surplus	223 307	-	371	
Transfer from reserves	(3 242)	-	(3 242)	
Correction of period errors	371	-	223 307	
<b>Total other comprehensive income</b>	<b>220 436</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>220 436</b>	
<b>COMPREHENSIVE RESULT</b>	<b>120 592</b>	<b>(165 951)</b>	<b>(286 543)</b>	

### 38. Budgetary information (continued)

Notes:

1. Additional commonwealth grants for:
  - \$0.285 million for Keeping Women Safe in their Homes program; and
  - \$0.7 million for the Children and Families Tripartite Forum.
2. Additional appropriation for:
  - \$16 million for out of home care placements funding;
  - 6.3 million for Indigenous essential services - diesel price pressures;
  - \$5.9 million for the remote rent framework implementation;
  - \$5.0 million for Community Housing Providers;
  - \$4.6 million for urban housing cost pressures;
  - \$3.7 million for the National Iconic Arts Trail program;
  - \$3.0 million for the Wadeye wet weather response;
  - \$2.3 million for the continuation of the Alice Springs youth development model;
  - \$1.7 million for the Emu Point housing upgrade project;
  - \$1.5 million for the National Aboriginal Art Gallery implementation;
  - \$1.3 million for youth detention centre operations – staffing and model of care;
  - \$1.2 million for Domestic Family & Sexual Violence;
  - \$0.4 million for the National Energy Bill Relief Program;

These increases are partially offset by decreases for:

- \$1.5 million resulting from delays in the implementation of the Barkly Regional Deal.
3. Over budget result is due to additional funding of \$7.5 million for the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program;
  4. Public Housing rent revenue budget is determined by rent collected rather than rent invoiced.
  5. Goods and Services received free of charge over budget due to increased repairs and maintenance performed by the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (\$24.7 million) offset by lower notional charges from the Department of Corporate and Digital Development (\$5 million) and below budget results for in-kind support for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (\$1 million);
  6. Above budget miscellaneous revenue due to return of prior year grants (\$0.32 million) and other miscellaneous income (\$0.25 million);
  7. Above budget employee expenditure due to additional budget of \$2 million for the remote rent framework, \$3.6 million for welfare group responses, and \$1.5 million for the safe care house;
  8. Over budget result due to Urban Housing property management expenses (\$4.6 million), Out of Home Care (\$16.5 million), emergency responses (\$5.8 million), legal expenses (\$1.7 million);
  9. Depreciation is higher than budget due to higher valuations and capitalised assets;

### 38. Budgetary information (continued)

10. Goods and Services received free of charge over budget due to increased repairs and maintenance performed by the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (\$24.7 million) offset by lower notional charges from the Department of Corporate and Digital Development (\$5 million) and below budget results for in-kind support for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (\$1 million);
11. Other administrative expenses above budget due to bad and doubtful debts expense (\$8.7 million) and loss on disposal of assets (\$11.5 million);
12. Current Grants and Subsidies below budget primarily due to:
  - reduced payments for the NDIS due to an increase in the in kind offset (\$15.7 million) and payment made in advance in the prior year (\$26.3 million);
  - underspends in the NT Concession Scheme (\$3.0 million);
  - underspends in foster and kinship care (\$3.8 million);
  - delays in the Community Housing Growth Strategy (\$4.0million);
  - delays in new shelters in Darwin and Katherine carried forward to 2023-24 (\$10.68 million); and
  - delays in the execution of grants for Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Responses (\$5.4 million).

This is partially offset by:

- additional funding of \$6.3 million for Indigenous essential services diesel price pressures;
  - additional funding of \$2.3 million for the continuation of the Alice Springs youth development model; and
  - additional funding for the emergency response \$1.1 million.
13. Capital Grants above budget primarily due to additional funding approved throughout the year for Arts Trail grants (\$4.7 million), Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program (\$11.9 million) and Emu Point housing upgrade project \$1.7 million. These increases are partially offset by the delays in the COVID 19 Affordable Housing and Key Worker Subsidy (\$1.4 million), Wadeye wet weather response (\$3.0 million), delays in the implementation of children and family centres (\$1.3 million), delays in the implementation of the Barkly Regional Deal (\$4.9 million), delays in the Elliot upgrade program.

## 38. Budgetary information (continued)

### Balance Sheet

	2022-23 Actual	2022-23 Original budget	Variance	Note
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current assets</b>				
Cash and deposits	154 022	39 660	114 362	1
Receivables	22 189	27 133	(4 944)	
Inventories	46	24	22	
Prepayments	2 569	2 316	253	
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>178 826</b>	<b>69 133</b>	<b>109 693</b>	
<b>Non-current assets</b>				
Property, plant and equipment	3 956 990	3 509 145	447 845	2
Intangible assets		-	-	
Heritage and cultural assets	169 389	-	169 389	2
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>4 126 379</b>	<b>3 509 145</b>	<b>617 234</b>	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>4 305 205</b>	<b>3 578 278</b>	<b>726 927</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>Current liabilities</b>				
Deposits held	6 754	6 905	(151)	
Creditors and accruals	27 448	30 839	(3 391)	
Borrowings and advances	21 703	-	21 703	3
Provisions	20 187	21 071	(884)	
Other liabilities	54 400	4 887	49 513	4
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>130 492</b>	<b>63 702</b>	<b>66 790</b>	
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>				
Borrowings and advances	112 743	119 939	(7 196)	3
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>112 743</b>	<b>119 939</b>	<b>(7 196)</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>243 235</b>	<b>183 641</b>	<b>66 789</b>	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>4 061 970</b>	<b>3 394 637</b>	<b>667 333</b>	
<b>EQUITY</b>				
Capital	3 408 390	3 142 235	266 155	5
Reserves	2 099 254	1 744 995	354 259	6
Accumulated funds	(1 445 674)	(1 492 593)	46 919	
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>4 061 970</b>	<b>3 394 637</b>	<b>667 333</b>	

## 38. Budgetary information (continued)

### Notes:

1. Reflects additional funding from NTG and Commonwealth appropriation including \$50 million for the Social Housing Payment and underspends in grants and subsidies expenditure.
2. Transfer in of building infrastructure from the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics and asset revaluation increment (\$220.1 million).
3. Total variance across current and non-current borrowings is due to lease extensions for affordable and government employee housing that is not reflected in the original budget.
4. Other liabilities includes revenue received in advance of \$50 million for the Social Housing Accelerator Payment;
5. Increase in capital mainly due to \$295 million spent on construction of remote housing; and
6. Revaluation of land & building (\$220.1 million) and adjustments to reserves to reflect disposal of assets.

## 38. Budgetary information (continued)

### Cash flow statement

	2022-23 Actual	2022-23 Original budget	Variance	Note
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
<b>Operating receipts</b>				
Grants and subsidies received				
Current	1 223	205	1 018	1
Appropriation				
Output	707 054	656 197	50 857	2
Commonwealth	119 853	64 939	54 914	3
Receipts from sales of goods and services	141 658	105 414	36 244	
<b>Total operating receipts</b>	<b>969 788</b>	<b>826 755</b>	<b>143 033</b>	
<b>Operating payments</b>				
Payments to employees	(165 856)	(159 297)	6 558	5
Payments for goods and services	(253 700)	(189 985)	63 717	6
Grants and subsidies paid				
Current	(326 064)	(391 848)	(65 786)	7
Capital	(52 609)	(44 801)	7 808	8
Community service obligations	(17 248)	(18 861)	(1 614)	9
Interest paid	(9 732)	(9 604)	128	
<b>Total operating payments</b>	<b>(825 209)</b>	<b>(814 396)</b>	<b>10 811</b>	
<b>Net cash from/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>144 579</b>	<b>12 359</b>	<b>132 222</b>	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Investing receipts				
Proceeds from sales of non-financial assets	1 512	3 000	(1 488)	10
<b>Total investing receipts</b>	<b>1 512</b>	<b>3 000</b>	<b>(1 488)</b>	
<b>Investing payments</b>				
Purchases of non-financial assets	(32)	(16 659)	(16 627)	11
<b>Total investing payments</b>	<b>(32)</b>	<b>(16 659)</b>	<b>(16 627)</b>	
<b>Net cash from/(used in) investing activities</b>	<b>1 480</b>	<b>(13 659)</b>	<b>15 139</b>	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Financing receipts				
Equity Injections				
Capital	4 659	9 659	(5 000)	
<b>Total financing receipts</b>	<b>4 659</b>	<b>9 659</b>	<b>(5 000)</b>	
<b>Financing payments</b>				
Deposits paid	(952)	-	952	
Repayment of borrowings	(4 343)	(4 343)	-	
Lease liabilities payments	(17 193)	(15 079)	2 114	12
Equity withdrawals	-	(3 000)	(3 000)	
<b>Total financing payments</b>	<b>(22 488)</b>	<b>(22 422)</b>	<b>(66)</b>	
<b>Net cash from/(used in) financing activities</b>	<b>(17 828)</b>	<b>(12 763)</b>	<b>(5 067)</b>	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	128 231	(14 063)	142 294	
Cash at beginning of financial year	25 791	53 723		
<b>CASH AT END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	<b>154 022</b>	<b>39 660</b>	<b>142 294</b>	

## 38. Budgetary information (continued)

### Notes:

1. Additional commonwealth grants for:

- \$0.285 million for Keeping women safe in their homes;
- \$0.7 million for the Children and Families Tripartite Forum.

2. Additional appropriation for:

- \$16 million for out of home care placements funding;
- \$6.3 million for Indigenous essential services diesel price pressures;
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- \$3.7 million for the National Iconic Arts Trail program;
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- \$2.3 million for the continuation of the Alice Springs youth development model;
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- \$1.3 million for youth detention centre operations – staffing and model of care;
- \$1.2 million for Domestic Family & Sexual Violence;
- \$0.4 million for the National Energy Bill Relief Program;

These increases are partially offset by decreases for:

- \$1.5 million resulting from delays in the implementation of the Barkly Regional Deal

3. Over budget result is due to additional funding of \$50 million for Social Housing Accelerator Payment, \$7.5 million related to the Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program offset by the realignment of revenue for the Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment (\$2.7 million);
4. Sales of goods and services above budget due to the budget for rental receipts being set on historical cash collections whereas the actual set on billing.
5. Above budget employee expenditure due to additional budget of \$2 million for the remote rent framework, \$3.6 million for welfare group responses, and \$1.5 million for the safe care house;
6. Over budget result due to Urban Housing property management expenses (\$4.6 million), Out of Home Care (\$16.5 million), emergency responses (\$5.8 million), legal expenses (\$1.7 million);

### 38. Budgetary information (continued)

7. Current Grants and Subsidies below budget primarily due to:

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- underspends in the NT Concession Scheme (\$3.0 million);
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This is partially offset by:

- additional funding of \$6.3 million for Indigenous essential services diesel price pressures;
- additional funding of \$2.3 million for the continuation of the Alice Springs youth development model; and
- additional funding for the emergency response \$1.1 million.

8. Capital Grants above budget primarily due to additional funding approved throughout the year for Arts Trail grants (\$4.7 million), Homelands Housing and Infrastructure Program (\$11.9 million) and Emu Point housing upgrade project \$1.7 million. These increases are partially offset by the delays in the COVID 19 Affordable Housing and Key Worker Subsidy (\$1.4 million), Wadeye wet weather response (\$3.0 million), delays in the implementation of children and family centres (\$1.3 million), delays in the implementation of the Barkly Regional Deal (\$4.9 million), delays in the Elliot upgrade program.

9. Community Service Obligation under budget primarily due to under utilisation of the NT Concession Scheme;

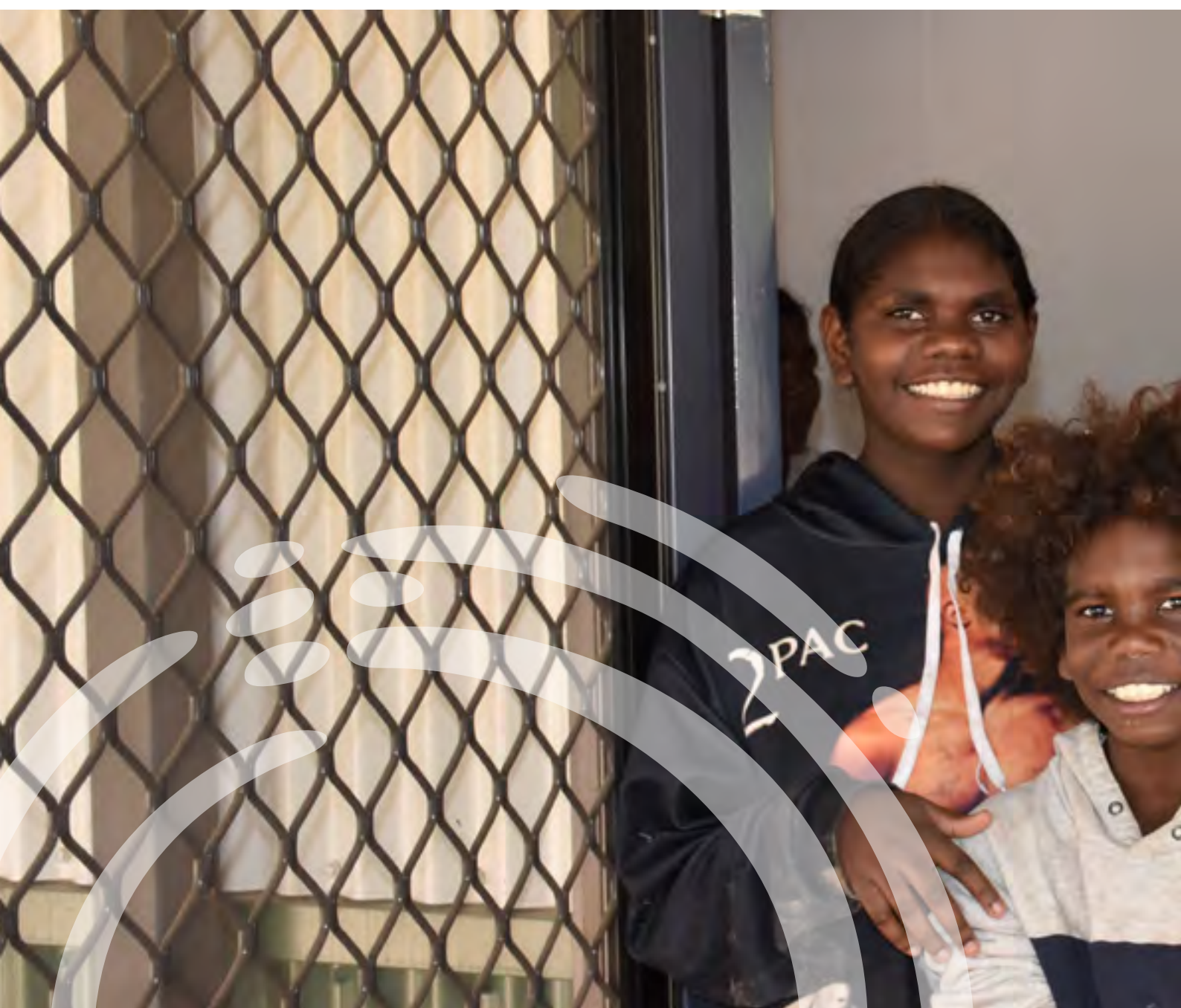
10. Lower than anticipated sales of public housing stock;

11. Lower than anticipated purchases of public housing stock due to delays in the Community Housing Growth Strategy; and

12. Higher than anticipated lease repayments.



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# NT Home Ownership Financial statements



# Financial statement overview

## For the year ended 30 June 2023

NT Home Ownership operates as a Government Business Division as determined by the Treasurer under the Financial Management Act 1995. Government Business Divisions are required to operate in a competitively neutral manner and adopt commercial practices. These include paying tax equivalents and dividends under the Northern Territory tax equivalent regime and dividend policy. The recipient of these payments is the Northern Territory Government, as owner.

NT Home Ownership oversees the provision of Northern Territory Government home loan products and services to assist eligible Territorians to achieve affordable home ownership. NT Home Ownership was established in 2009 to increase the supply of affordable housing in the market and provide home ownership opportunities for Territorians otherwise unable to enter the housing market, and to reduce pressure on the rental market.

Over the years of operation, various home loan products have been offered with the current product being Home Build Access. NT Home Ownership's loans are administered by People's Choice under a mortgage management contract.

NT Home Ownership has recorded a net operating surplus of \$4.181 million in 2023, compared with a surplus of \$3.905 million in the prior year. The operating surplus is largely a result of an increase in interest received and decrease in the interest payable to Northern Territory Treasury Corporation as loans held by NT Home Ownership are paid down.

### Income

Total income for 2023 was \$14.441 million, compared to \$14.030 million in the prior year. The increase related to gains from interest revenue, which is the principal source of income for NT Home Ownership, offset by a reduced gains on revaluation of shared equity investment compared with the prior year, as a result of lower year on year market growth. Interest income was \$8.399 million in 2023, compared with \$6.058 million in the prior year. The increase in loan interest collected relates to increase in interest rates (See Chart 1)

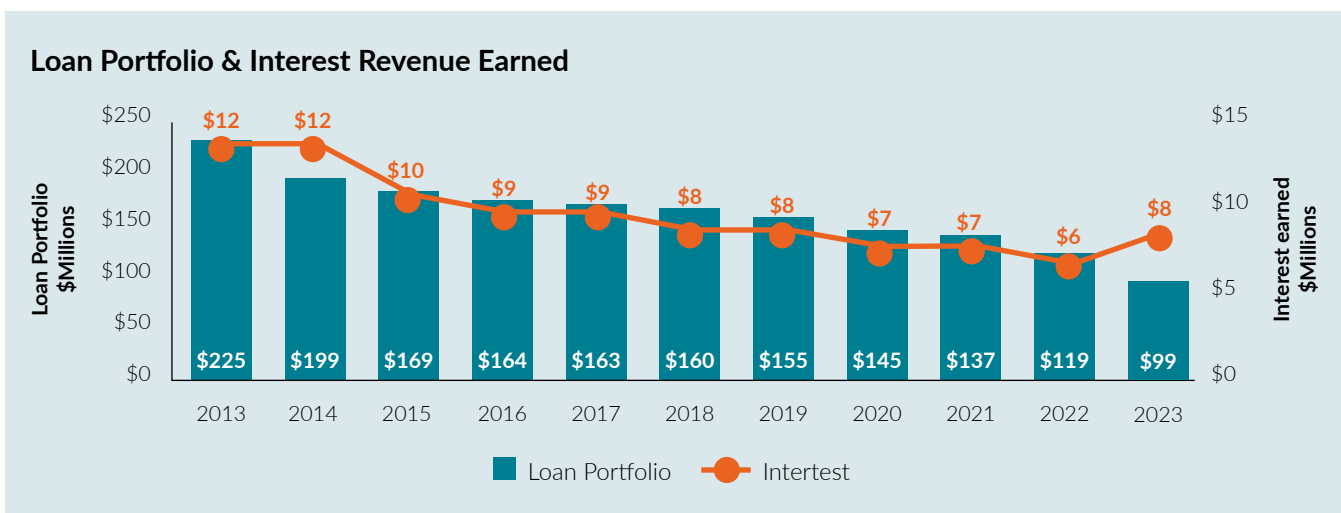


CHART 1: NT Home Ownership loan portfolio \$ interest revenue earned

Where NT Home Ownership is required to carry out activities, which it would not elect to do on a commercial basis, such as subsidised or below market rate loans, it can apply for Community Service Obligation (CSO) funding. In 2023, the funding received was \$3.414 million which is consistent with the prior year.

## Expense

NT Home Ownership incurred total expenses of \$10.260 million in 2023, compared with \$10.125 million in the prior year. The minor decrease in expenditure is due to a reduction in interest expense resulting from the repayment of two loans worth \$15 million with Northern Territory Treasury Corporation.

## Home loan portfolio

At 30 June 2023, NT Home Ownership's loan portfolio comprised of 1,145 loans issued to Territorians totaling \$99.303 million compared with \$118.574 million in the prior year; a decrease of \$19.271 million.

During 2022-23, advances of \$19.713 million was received, including the discharge of 234 loans by clients across current and past loan products. During the year, 11 new low deposit loans were provided to Territorians to build new homes at a value of \$1.014 million.

At 30 June 2023, NT Home Ownership held an interest in 399 shared equity investment properties valued at \$38.812 million, a decrease from the 2021-22 amount of 437 shared equity investments, valued at \$39.424 million. The net change is a result of revaluation upwards of shared equity properties, offset by the repayment of the shared equity investment by clients.

## Borrowings

Financing of loans to clients for the purchase of a home are funded through borrowings from Northern Territory Treasury Corporation. These borrowings are the major component of liabilities in the Balance Sheet and as at 30 June 2023 totaled \$132.569 million, a decrease of \$23.247 million from the previous year, due to repayment of principal.

## Cash at bank

Cash has increased to \$12.120 million at 30 June 2023 compared to \$11.026 million in the prior year. This is a combined impact of interest rate increases, offset by the repayment of loan principal to Northern Territory Treasury Corporation.



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## **Opinion**

I have audited the accompanying financial report of NT Home Ownership, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2023, and the comprehensive operating statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes, and the certification of the financial statements by the Chief Executive.

In my opinion, the financial report gives a true and fair view, in all material respects, of the financial position of NT Home Ownership as at 30 June 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

## **Basis for Opinion**

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of NT Home Ownership in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

## **Other Information**

The Chief Executive of the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in NT Home Ownership's financial statement overview for the year ended 30 June 2023, but does not include the financial report and my auditor's report thereon.

My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.

## **Responsibilities of the Chief Executive for the Financial Report**

The Chief Executive is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and for such internal control as the Chief Executive determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the ability of NT Home Ownership to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate NT Home Ownership or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the financial reporting process of NT Home Ownership.



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#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control of NT Home Ownership.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of NT Home Ownership to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report however, future events or conditions may cause NT Home Ownership to cease to continue as a going concern.
- evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

Julie Crisp

Auditor-General for the Northern Territory

Darwin, Northern Territory

28 September 2023

## Certification of the financial statements

We certify that the attached financial statements for the NT Home Ownership have been prepared based on proper accounts and records in accordance with the prescribed format, the *Financial Management Act 1995* and Treasurer's Directions.

We further state that the information set out in the comprehensive operating statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement, and notes to and forming part of the financial statements, presents fairly the financial performance and cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2023 and the financial position on that date.

At the time of signing, we are not aware of any circumstances that would render the particulars included in the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.



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**Emma White**  
Acting Chief Executive Officer  
31 August 2023



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**Rachelle McMillan**  
Acting Chief Financial Officer  
31 August 2023

# Comprehensive operating statement

For the year ended 30 June 2022

	Note	2023 \$000	2022 \$000
<b>INCOME</b>			
Community service obligations	3a	3 414	3 414
Sales of goods and services	3b	4	3
Interest	3c	8 399	6 058
Gain on disposal of shared equity investment	4	-	281
Gain on revaluation of shared equity investment	5	2 624	4 274
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>14 441</b>	<b>14 030</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Employee expenses		251	254
Purchases of goods and services	6	2 502	2 448
Other administrative expenses		598	(3)
Grants and subsidies expenses	7	48	26
Interest expenses	8	6 774	7 400
Loss of disposal of shared equity investment	4	87	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>10 260</b>	<b>10 125</b>
<b>NET SURPLUS</b>		<b>4 181</b>	<b>3 905</b>

The comprehensive operating statement is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Balance sheet

As at 30 June 2023

	Note	2023 \$000	2022 \$000
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and deposits	11	12 120	11 026
Receivables	13	73	323
Advances and investments	14	10 483	2 325
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>22 676</b>	<b>13 674</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Advances and investments	14	88 820	116 249
Shared equity investments	15	38 812	39 424
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>127 632</b>	<b>155 673</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>150 308</b>	<b>169 347</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Payables	17	423	390
Borrowings and advances	18	42 114	42 165
Provisions	19	17	23
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>42 554</b>	<b>42 578</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Borrowings and advances		90 455	113 651
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>90 455</b>	<b>113 651</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>133 009</b>	<b>156 229</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>17 299</b>	<b>13 118</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Capital		22 745	22 745
Accumulated funds		(5 446)	(9 627)
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>17 299</b>	<b>13 118</b>

The balance sheet is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	Equity at 1 July \$000	Comprehensive result \$000	Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners \$000	Equity at 30 June \$000
<b>2023</b>					
<b>Accumulated funds</b>		(9 627)	4 181	-	(5 446)
Capital - Transfer from owners		22 745	-	-	22 745
<b>Total equity at end of financial year</b>		<b>13 118</b>	<b>4 181</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17 299</b>
<b>2022</b>					
<b>Accumulated funds</b>		(13 532)	3 905	-	(9 627)
Capital - Transfer from owners		22 745	-	-	22 745
<b>Total equity at end of financial year</b>		<b>9 213</b>	<b>3 905</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13 118</b>

The statement of changes in equity is to be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Cash flow statement

For the year ended 30 June 2023

	Note	2022 \$000	2021 \$000
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Operating receipts</b>			
Receipts from sales of goods and services and community service obligation		3 877	3 288
Interest received		8 364	6 051
<b>Total operating receipts</b>		<b>12 241</b>	<b>9 339</b>
<b>Operating payments</b>			
Payments to employees		(215)	(254)
Payments for goods and services		(2 677)	(2 601)
Grants and subsidies paid		(48)	(26)
Interest paid		(7 782)	(7 416)
<b>Total operating payments</b>		<b>(9 722)</b>	<b>(10 297)</b>
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>12a</b>	<b>2 519</b>	<b>(958)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Investing receipts</b>			
Repayment of advances		19 713	20 899
Sales of investments		3 149	3 537
<b>Total investing receipts</b>		<b>22 862</b>	<b>24 436</b>
<b>Investing payments</b>			
Advances and investing payments		(2 152)	(2 152)
<b>Total investing payments</b>		<b>(2 152)</b>	<b>(2 152)</b>
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>		<b>22 284</b>	<b>22 284</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Financing payments</b>			
Repayment of borrowings		(23 273)	(21 828)
<b>Total financing payments</b>		<b>(23 273)</b>	<b>(21 828)</b>
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>	<b>12b</b>	<b>(23 273)</b>	<b>(21 828)</b>
Net (decrease) increase in cash held		1 094	(502)
Cash at beginning of financial year		11 026	11 528
<b>CASH AT END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12 120</b>	<b>11 026</b>

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## 1. Objectives and funding

NT Home Ownership operates as a Government Business Division (GBD), as determined by the Treasurer under the Financial Management Act 1995. Under the Government Business Division Framework, government businesses divisions are required to operate in a competitive neutral manner and adopt commercial practices. These include paying tax equivalents under Northern Territory tax equivalent regime and dividend policy to the Northern Territory Government, as owner.

NT Home Ownership provides home loan products and services to increase supply at the affordable end of the housing market, provides home ownership opportunities for Territorians otherwise unable to enter the market and reduces pressure on the rental market. Where NT Home Ownership carries out activities which it would not elect to do on a commercial basis, Community Service Obligation funding is provided through Territory Families, Housing and Communities appropriation for the identifiable community or social benefits.

The home loans are administered under a management arrangement by People's Choice.

Additional information in relation to the NT Home Ownership and its principal activities may be found in the performance section of the annual report.

The GBD is predominantly funded through interest earned on home loans. The financial statements encompass all funds through which the GBD controls resources to carry on its functions.

## 2. Statement of significant accounting policies

### a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Financial Management Act 1995* and related Treasurer's Directions. The *Financial Management Act 1995* requires the NT Home Ownership to prepare financial statements for the year ended 30 June based on the form determined by the Treasurer. The form of GBD financial statements should include:

1. a certification of the financial statements;
2. a comprehensive operating statement;
3. a balance sheet;
4. a statement of changes in equity;
5. a cash flow statement; and
6. applicable explanatory notes to the financial statements.

### b) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, which recognises the effect of financial transactions and events when they occur, rather than when cash is paid out or received. As part of the preparation of the financial statements, all intra agency transactions and balances have been eliminated.

Except where stated, the financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention.

The form of the GBD financial statements is also consistent with the requirements of Australian accounting standards. The effects of all relevant new and revised standards and interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are effective for the current annual reporting period have been evaluated.

### Standards and interpretations effective from 2022-23 financial year

Several amending standards and AASB interpretations have been issued that apply to the current reporting periods, but are considered to have no or minimal impact on public sector reporting.

## 2. Statement of significant accounting policies (continued)

### Standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective

No Australian accounting standards have been adopted early for 2022-23 financial year.

Several amending standards and AASB interpretations have been issued that apply to future reporting periods but are considered to have limited impact on public sector reporting.

### c) Reporting entity

The financial statements cover the Government Business Division (GBD) as an individual reporting entity.

NT Homeownership (“the GBD”) is a Northern Territory entity established under the *Interpretation Act 1978 and Administrative Arrangements Order*.

The principal place of business of the department is:

Level 7, Power House, 41 Smith Street  
Darwin, Northern Territory.

### d) GBD and Territory items

The financial statements of NT Home Ownership include income, expenses, assets, liabilities and equity over which the GBD has control (GBD items). Certain items, while managed by the GBD, are controlled and recorded by the Territory rather than the GBD (Territory items). Territory items are recognised and recorded in the Central Holding Authority as discussed below.

### Central Holding Authority

The Central Holding Authority is the ‘parent body’ that represents the government’s ownership interest in government-controlled entities.

The Central Holding Authority also records all Territory items, such as income, expenses, assets and liabilities controlled by the government and managed by agencies on behalf of the government. The main Territory item is Territory income, which includes taxation and royalty revenue, Commonwealth general purpose funding (such as GST revenue), fines, and statutory fees and charges.

The Central Holding Authority also holds certain Territory assets not assigned to agencies as well as certain Territory liabilities that are not practical or effective to assign to individual agencies such as unfunded superannuation and long service leave.

The Central Holding Authority recognises and records all Territory items, and as such, these items are not included in the GBD’s financial statements.

### e) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative information for the 2021-22 financial year has been reclassified to provide consistency with current year disclosures.

### f) Presentation and rounding of amounts

Amounts in the financial statements and notes to the financial statements are presented in Australian dollars and have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, with amounts of \$500 or less being rounded down to zero. Figures in the financial statements and notes may not equate due to rounding.

### g) Changes in accounting policies

There have been no changes to accounting policies adopted in 2022-23 financial year as a result of management decisions.

## 2. Statement of significant accounting policies (continued)

### h) Accounting judgments and estimates

The preparation of the financial report requires the making of judgments and estimates that affect the recognised amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Judgments and estimates that have significant effects on the financial statements are disclosed in the relevant notes to the financial statements.

### i) Goods and services tax

Income, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred on a purchase of goods and services is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as part of receivables or payables in the balance sheet.

Cash flows are included in the cash flow statement on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows. Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable or payable unless otherwise specified. Gross GST recoverable on commitments is disclosed separately in the commitments note.

### j) Contributions by and distributions to government

The GBD may receive contributions from government where the government is acting as owner of the GBD. Conversely, the GBD may make distributions to government. In accordance with the *Financial Management Act 1995* and Treasurer's Directions, certain types of contributions and distributions, including those relating to administrative restructures, have been designated as contributions by, and distributions to, government. These designated contributions and distributions are treated by the GBD as adjustments to equity.

The statement of changes in equity provides additional information in relation to contributions by, and distributions to, government.

### 3. Income

Income encompasses both revenue and gains.

Income is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, exclusive of the amount of GST. Exchanges of goods or services of the same nature and value without any cash consideration being exchanged are not recognised as income.

#### a) Community service obligations

	2023			2022		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total
Community Service Obligation	-	3 414	3 414	-	3 414	3 414
<b>Total grants and subsidies revenue</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3 414</b>	<b>3 414</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3 414</b>	<b>3 414</b>

Community Service Obligation (CSO) funding is received through the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities where NT Home Ownership is required to carry out activities on a non-commercial basis. NT Home Ownership received a CSO for the interest rate and stamp duty differential. NT Home Ownership offers low interest rate loans for low to moderate income Territorians. The aim of providing subsidised interest loans is to increase the level of home ownership in the Territory and reduce the demand on public housing. Similarly, the stamp duty differential is a subsidy paid to public housing tenants purchasing their public housing properties through private finance. These CSOs are provided at an estimated projection for the budget year, thus performance obligations attached are assessed not to be sufficiently specific and revenue in respect of this funding is recognised in the period in which NT Home Ownership gains control of the funds.

#### b) Sales of goods and services

	2023			2022		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total
Sales of goods and services	4	-	4	3	-	3
<b>Total sales of goods and services</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>

NT Home Ownership's sales of goods and service revenue consists of valuation fees. Valuation fees are the contribution made by the home loan clients for the valuation completed on any shared equity properties. The payments are received when the valuation is requested by the clients.

### 3. Income (continued)

#### Rendering of services

Revenue from rendering of services is recognised when the GBD satisfies the performance obligation by transferring the promised services. The GBD typically satisfies its performance obligations when it transfers the promised services.

Revenue from contracts with customers have been disaggregated below into categories to enable users of these financial statements to understand the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of income and cash flows. These categories include a description of the type of product or service line, type of customer and timing of transfer of goods and services.

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Type of good and service:</b>		
Service delivery	4	3
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Type of customer:</b>		
Non-government entities	4	3
<b>Timing of transfer of goods and services:</b>		
Point in time	4	3
<b>Total revenue from contracts with customers by timing of transfer</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>

#### c) Interest income

	2023			2022		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total	Revenue from contracts with customers	Other	Total
Interest on cash at bank	-	296	296	-	26	26
Interest on advance	-	8 103	8 103	-	6 032	6 032
<b>Total other income</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8 399</b>	<b>8 399</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6 058</b>	<b>6 058</b>

NT Home Ownership interest income includes interest earned on cash balances and interest on advances issued to clients under various home loan products. Interest income is recognised when the shared equity portion has been recorded as an asset, which is the earlier of the receipt of cash or recognition of a receivable for interest earned. NT Home Ownership recognises interest revenue as it accrues taking into account the effective yield on the financial asset.

### 4. Gain on disposal of shared equity investments

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Net proceeds from the disposal of non-current assets	3 149	3 537
Less: Carrying value of non-current assets disposed	(3 236)	(3 256)
<b>(Loss)/Gain on the disposal of shared equity investments</b>	<b>(87)</b>	<b>281</b>

## 5. Gain on revaluation of shared equity investments

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Revaluation on shared equity investments	38 812	39 424
Less: book value prior to revaluation	(36 188)	(35 150)
<b>Gain on the revaluation of shared equity investments</b>	<b>2 624</b>	<b>4 274</b>

## 6. Purchases of goods and services

	2022	2021
	\$000	\$000
The net surplus/(deficit) has been arrived at after charging the following expenses:		
<b>Goods and services expenses:</b>		
Loan administration fees <sup>1</sup>	2 230	2 176
Valuation fees	41	38
Legal expenses <sup>2</sup>	1	7
Audit fees	46	43
NTG Service level agreement	166	172
Information technology charges and communications	8	11
Training and study	1	1
Other	9	0
<b>Total goods and services expenses</b>	<b>2 502</b>	<b>2 448</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes fee paid to People's Choice for the management of the client loan portfolio.

<sup>2</sup> Includes legal fees for drafting of legal documentation.

## 7. Grant and subsidies expenses

### Current grant and subsidy expense

	2022	2021
	\$000	\$000
Subsidy	48	26
<b>Total current grant and subsidy expense</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>26</b>

Subsidies are payments aimed at reducing all or part of the costs of an activity. They include payments made to subsidise clients' stamp duty. Current grant and subsidy expenses are recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are paid or payable, exclusive of the amount of GST.

## 8. Interest expenses

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Interest from loans and advances	6 774	7 400
<b>Total</b>	<b>6 774</b>	<b>7 400</b>

Interest expenses consist of interest and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowing of funds. It includes interest on loans from Northern Territory Treasury Corporation.

<sup>1</sup> Includes fee paid to People's Choice for the management of the client loan portfolio.

<sup>2</sup> Includes legal fees for drafting of legal documentation.

## 9. Write-offs, postponements, waiver, gifts and ex gratia payments

	GBD				Territory items			
	2023	No. of trans.	2022	No. of trans.	2023	No. of trans.	2022	No. of trans.
	\$000		\$000		\$000		\$000	
<b>Amounts written off, postponed and waived by the Treasurer</b>								
Irrecoverable amounts payable to an GBD written off	269	3	630	6	-	-	-	-
<b>Total written off, postponed and waived by the Treasurer</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## 10. Income tax expense and tax equivalent regime

### Income Tax Payable

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Surplus before income tax	4 181	3 905
Revaluation on investments	(2 624)	(4 274)
<b>Taxable Income (Loss)</b>	<b>1 557</b>	<b>(369)</b>
<b>Income Tax Expense @ 30%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Carry forward tax losses utilised</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Income Tax Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## 11. Cash and deposits

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Cash on hand	55	54
Cash at bank	12 065	10 972
<b>Total</b>	<b>12 120</b>	<b>11 026</b>

For the purposes of the balance sheet and the cash flow statement, cash includes cash on hand, cash at bank and cash equivalents.

## 12. Cash flow reconciliation

### a) Reconciliation of cash

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Net surplus</b>	4 181	3 905
<i>Non-cash items:</i>		
Advances written off	269	630
Loss/(Gain) on disposal of investments	87	(281)
Gain on revaluation of investments	(2 624)	(4 274)
Doubtful debts expense	302	(633)
Loss on extinguishment of loans	27	-
<i>Changes in assets and liabilities:</i>		
<i>Increase in receivables</i>	249	(305)
Increase in payables	33	3
(Decrease) in provision for employee benefits	(6)	(3)
Increase in other provisions	1	-
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>2 519</b>	<b>(958)</b>

### b) Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities

#### 2022-2023

	Cash flows			Other		
	1 July	Loans and advances	Total cash flows	Other	Total other	30 June
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Borrowings and advances	155 815	(23 273)	(23 273)	27		132 569
<b>Total</b>	<b>155 815</b>	<b>(23 273)</b>	<b>(23 273)</b>	<b>27</b>		<b>132 569</b>

#### 2021-2022

	Cash flows			Other		
	1 July	Loans and advances	Total cash flows	Other	Total other	30 June
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Borrowings and advances	177 643	(21 828)	(21 828)	-	-	155 815
<b>Total</b>	<b>177 643</b>	<b>(21 828)</b>	<b>(21 828)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>155 815</b>

## 13. Receivables

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Interest receivables	43	8
GST receivables	30	16
Other receivables	-	299
<b>Total receivables</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>323</b>

Receivables include interest receivable from Northern Territory Treasury Corporation and GST receivable from Australian Taxation Office and are recognised at fair value less any loss allowance.

Accounts receivable, contract receivables and other receivables are generally settled within 30 days.

NT Home Ownership believes that no loss allowance is necessary in respect of general receivables.

### **Credit risk exposure of receivables**

Receivables are monitored on an ongoing basis to ensure exposure to bad debts is not significant. The entity applies the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses.

This approach recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime expected credit losses for all accounts receivables, contracts receivables and accrued contract revenue. To measure expected credit losses, receivables have been grouped based on shared risk characteristics and days past due.

## 14. Advances and investments

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Current</b>		
Advances paid - loans to home purchasers	10 483	2 325
	<b>10 483</b>	<b>2 325</b>
<b>Non current</b>		
Advances paid - loans to home purchasers	92 879	120 006
Less: loss allowance	(4 059)	(3 757)
	<b>88 820</b>	<b>116 249</b>
<b>Total advances and investments</b>	<b>99 303</b>	<b>118 574</b>

### a) Advances paid

Advances paid are recognised initially at fair value plus or minus relevant transaction costs and are recognised in the balance sheet when NT Home Ownership becomes party to the contractual provisions of the financial instruments. Subsequently, advances paid are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The effective interest rate calculation includes the contractual terms of the loans together with fees and transaction costs. Loss allowances on advances paid reflect either 12-month or lifetime expected credit losses depending on changes in credit risk and represents the amount of advances paid that NT Home Ownership estimates are likely to be uncollectible and are considered doubtful.

### Credit risk exposure of advances paid

Advances paid are monitored on an ongoing basis to ensure exposure to bad debts is not significant. The GBD applies the AASB 9 general approach to measuring expected credit losses.

This approach recognises a loss allowance based on 12-month expected credit losses if there has been no significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition and lifetime expected credit losses if there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition.

## 14. Advances and investments (continued)

External advances paid	2023				2022			
	Gross advances paid \$000	Loss rate %	Expected credit losses \$000	Net advances paid \$000	Gross advances paid \$000	Loss rate %	Expected credit losses \$000	Net advances paid \$000
Not overdue	103 189	3.8	3 926	99 263	119 076	0.4	512	118 564
Overdue for less than 30 days	25	8.2	2	23	10	9.9	1	9
Overdue for 30 to 60 days	18	8.2	1	16	1	9.9	-	1
Overdue for more than 60 days	130	100	130	-	3 244	100	3 244	-
<b>Total external advances paid</b>	<b>103 362</b>		<b>4 059</b>	<b>99 303</b>	<b>122 331</b>		<b>3 757</b>	<b>118 574</b>

## 14. Advances and investments (continued)

### Reconciliation of loss allowance for advances paid

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
External advances paid		
Opening balance	3 757	4 390
Written off during the year	(269)	(630)
Increase/(Decrease) in allowance recognised in profit or loss	571	(3)
<b>Total internal advances paid</b>	<b>4 059</b>	<b>3 757</b>

## 15. Shared equity investments

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Minority interest holding at independent valuation	38 812	39 424
<b>Total Investments in shared equity</b>	<b>38 812</b>	<b>39 424</b>
<b>Shared equity investments</b>		
Opening Balance as at July 1	39 424	38 406
Additions		
Disposals	(3 236)	(3 256)
Revaluations	2 624	4 274
<b>Total Investments in shared equity as 30 June</b>	<b>38 812</b>	<b>39 424</b>

### Shared equity investments

Shared equity investments represent NT Home Ownership's minority financial interest in housing properties held under a loan/shared equity scheme previously provided by the Northern Territory Government and properties purchase and/or constructed from/by external parties under these schemes. These investments are classified as investment properties.

Shared equity investments are recognised at cost, including transaction costs at the time of acquisition and subsequently measured at fair value.

### Revaluation and impairment

#### *Shared equity investments*

Shared equity investments are revalued annually to ensure that the carrying amount of these assets does not differ materially from their fair value at reporting date.

Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value, retirement or disposal are included in the comprehensive operating statements in the period in which they arise. Shared equity investments are not subject to depreciation.

Shared equity investments are measured on the market approach of fair value basis, being the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

An independent valuation of shared equity investment was completed as at 30 June 2022 by Territory Property Consultants Pty. Ltd., the results of which are reflected in these financial statements. The valuation method used was based on market evidence of sales prices of comparable land and building in similar locations.

## 15. Shared equity investments (continued)

### *Impairment of assets*

An asset is said to be impaired when the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount.

Non-current physical NT Home Ownership assets are assessed for indicators of impairment on an annual basis or whenever there is an indication of impairment. If an indicator of impairment exists, the NT Home Ownership determines the asset's recoverable amount. The asset's recoverable amount is determined as the higher of the asset's current replacement cost and fair value less costs to sell. Any amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount is recorded as an impairment loss.

Impairment losses are recognised in the comprehensive operating statement. They are disclosed as an expense unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount. Where the asset is measured at a revalued amount, the impairment loss is offset against the asset revaluation surplus for that class of asset to the extent an available balance exists in the asset revaluation surplus.

In certain situations, an impairment loss may subsequently be reversed. Where an impairment loss is subsequently reversed, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in the comprehensive operating statement as income, unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment reversal results in an increase in the asset revaluation surplus.

## 16. Other assets

NT Home Ownership does not have other assets.

## 17. Payables

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
Accounts payable	188	-
Accrued expenses	86	233
Interest payable	149	157
<b>Total payables</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>390</b>

Liabilities for accounts payable and other amounts payable are carried at cost, which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the GBD. Accounts payable are normally settled within 20 days from receipt of valid invoices under \$1 million or 30 days for invoices over \$1 million.

Interest expenses include interest on borrowings. Interest expenses are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

## 18. Borrowings and advances

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Current</b>		
Loans and advances	42 114	42 165
<b>Non-current</b>		
Loans and advances	90 455	113 651
<b>Total borrowings and advances</b>	<b>132 569</b>	<b>155 816</b>

## 18. Borrowings and advances (continued)

Borrowings and advances are recorded initially at fair value, net of transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, these are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses are recognised in net result when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the amortisation process.

Loan instruments are classified as current and non current as NT Home Ownership will assess its ability to repay these instruments when the loans mature.

## 19. Provisions

	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000
<b>Current</b>		
<i>Employee benefits</i>		
Recreation leave	10	17
Leave loading	5	3
Employee superannuation	2	3
<b>Total provisions</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23</b>

NT Home Ownership employed two employees as at 30 June 2023.

### Employee benefits

A provision is made for employee benefits accumulated as a result of employees rendering services up to the reporting date. These benefits include wages and salaries and recreation leave. Liabilities arising in respect of wages and salaries, recreation leave and other employee benefit liabilities that fall due within twelve months of reporting date are classified as current liabilities and are measured at amounts expected to be paid. No provision is made for sick leave, which is non-vesting, as the anticipated pattern of future sick leave to be taken is less than the entitlement accruing in each reporting period. Employee benefit expenses are recognised on a net basis in respect of the following categories:

- Wages and salaries, non-monetary benefits, recreation leave and other leave entitlements
- Other types of employee benefits. As part of the financial management framework, the Central Holding Authority assumes the long service leave liabilities of government agencies, including NT Home Ownership and therefore no long service leave liability is recognised in NT Home Ownership financial statements.

### Superannuation

Employees' superannuation entitlements are provided through the:

- Northern Territory Government and Public Authorities Superannuation Scheme (NTGPASS)
- Commonwealth Superannuation Scheme (CSS)
- or non-government employee nominated schemes for those employees commencing on or after 10 August 1999.

NT Home Ownership makes superannuation contributions on behalf of its employees to the Central Holding Authority or non-government employee-nominated schemes. Superannuation liabilities related to government superannuation schemes are held by the Central Holding Authority and therefore not recognised in GBD's financial statements.

## 20. Commitments

Commitments contracted represent future obligations or cash outflows that are not recognised as liabilities on the balance sheet and can be reliably measured.

Disclosures in relation to capital and other commitments are detailed below

	2023		2022	
	Internal	External	Internal	External
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
(ii) Other expenditure commitments				
Other non-cancellable expenditure commitments not recognised as liabilities are payable as follows:				
Within one year	-	1 129	-	2 272
Later than one year and not later than five years	-	-	-	1 101
<b>Total commitments (exclusive of GST)</b>	-	<b>1 129</b>	-	<b>3 373</b>
Plus: GST recoverable	-	83	-	246
<b>Total commitments (inclusive of GST)</b>	-	<b>1 212</b>	-	<b>3 619</b>

## 21. Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use. The highest and best use takes into account the use of the asset that is physically possible, legally permissible and financially feasible.

When measuring fair value, the valuation techniques used maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. Unobservable inputs are used to the extent that sufficient relevant and reliable observable inputs are not available for similar assets/liabilities.

Observable inputs are publicly available data relevant to the characteristics of the assets/liabilities being valued. Observable inputs used by the GBD include, but are not limited to, published sales data for land and general office buildings.

Unobservable inputs are data, assumptions and judgments not available publicly but relevant to the characteristics of the assets/liabilities being valued. Such inputs include internal GBD adjustments to observable data to take account of particular and potentially unique characteristics/functionality of assets/liabilities and assessments of physical condition and remaining useful life.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the following fair value hierarchy based on the inputs used:

Level 1 – inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

Level 2 – inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly

Level 3 – inputs are unobservable.

## 21. Fair value measurement (continued)

The fair value of financial instruments is determined on the following basis:

- the fair value of cash, deposits, advances, receivables and payables approximates their carrying amount, which is also their amortised cost
- the fair value of derivative financial instruments are derived using current market yields and exchange rates appropriate to the instrument
- the fair value of other monetary financial assets and liabilities is based on discounting to present value the expected future cash flows by applying current market interest rates for assets and liabilities with similar risk profiles.

### a) Fair value hierarchy

NT Home Ownership does not recognise any financial assets or liabilities at fair value as these are recognised at amortised cost. The carrying amounts of these financial assets and liabilities approximates their fair value.

The table below presents non-financial assets recognised at fair value in the balance sheet categorised by levels of inputs used to compute fair value.

	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total fair value	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>Assets</b>								
Shared equity investments	-	-	38 812	39 424	-	-	38 812	39 424
<b>Total assets</b>	-	-	<b>38 812</b>	<b>39 424</b>	-	-	<b>38 812</b>	<b>39 424</b>

### b) Valuation techniques and inputs

Valuation techniques used to measure fair value in 2022-23 are:

	Level 2 techniques	Level 3 techniques
<b>Asset classes</b>		
Shared Equity	Market Approach	N/A

There were no changes in valuation techniques from 2021-22 to 2022-23.

Herron Todd White provided valuation for the Shared equity investments as at 30 June 2023.

Level 2 fair values of Shared Equity Investments were based on market evidence of sales prices of comparable land and buildings in similar locations.

### Additional information for level 3 fair value measurement

NT Home Ownership does not have any level 3 measurement assets.

## 22. Financial instruments

A financial instrument is a contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

Financial assets and liabilities are recognised on the balance sheet when the GBD becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. NT Home Ownership's financial instruments include cash and deposits; receivables; advances paid; equity investment; payables; advances received; and borrowings.

Due to the nature of operating activities, certain financial assets and financial liabilities arise under statutory obligations rather than a contract. Such financial assets and liabilities do not meet the definition of financial instruments as per AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation.

These include statutory receivables arising from taxes including GST and penalties.

NT Home Ownership has limited exposure to financial risks as discussed below.

### a) Categories of financial instruments

The carrying amounts of the GBD's financial assets and liabilities by category are disclosed in the table below.

	Fair value through profit or loss			Fair value through other comprehensive income	Total
	Mandatorily at fair value	Designated at fair value	Amortised cost		
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>2023</b>					
Cash and deposits	-	12 120	-	-	12 120
Receivables <sup>1</sup>	-	-	43	-	43
Advances paid	-	-	99 303	-	99 303
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12 120</b>	<b>99 346</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>111 466</b>
Payables <sup>1</sup>	-	-	423	-	423
Loans	-	-	132 569	-	132 569
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>132 992</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>132 992</b>
<b>2022</b>					
Cash and deposits	-	11 026	-	-	11 026
Receivables	-	-	292	-	292
Advances paid	-	-	118 574	-	118 574
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11 026</b>	<b>118 866</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>129 892</b>
Payables	-	-	390	-	390
Loans	-	-	155 816	-	155 816
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>156 206</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>156 206</b>

<sup>1</sup>Total amounts disclosed here exclude statutory amounts, prepaid expenses and accrued contract revenue

## 22. Financial instruments (continued)

### Categories of financial instruments

The GBD's financial instruments are classified in accordance with AASB 9.

Financial assets are classified under the following categories:

- amortised cost
- fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)
- fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL).

Financial liabilities are classified under the following categories:

- amortised cost
- fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL).

These classifications are based on the GBD's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows. Where assets are measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss, or other comprehensive income. Financial instruments are reclassified when and only when the NT Home Ownership's business model for managing those assets changes.

Financial instruments are reclassified when and only when the NT Home Ownership's business model for managing those assets changes.

### Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets are classified at amortised cost when they are held by the NT Home Ownership to collect the contractual cash flows and the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest.

These assets are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment. NT Home Ownership's financial assets categorised at amortised cost include receivables, advances paid, leases receivables, term deposits and certain debt securities.

### Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Financial assets are classified at fair value through other comprehensive income when they are held by the GBD to both collect contractual cash flows and sell the financial assets, and the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest.

These assets are initially and subsequently recognised at fair value. Changes in the fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income, except for the recognition of impairment gains or losses and interest income which are recognised in the operating result in the comprehensive operating statement. When financial assets are derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified from equity to the comprehensive operating statement.

For equity instruments elected to be categorised at FVOCI, changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income are not reclassified to profit or loss on derecognition of the asset. Dividends from such instruments continue to be recognised in the comprehensive operating statement as other income when the GBD's right to receive payments is established.

NT Home Ownership does not have any financial assets under this category.

## 22. Financial instruments (continued)

### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets are classified at FVTPL where they do not meet the criteria for amortised cost or FVOCI. These assets are initially and subsequently recognised at fair value with gains or losses recognised in the net result for the year.

NT Home Ownership's financial assets categorised at FVTPL include investments in managed unit trusts and certain debt instruments. Unrealised gains in relation to these investments are recognised in other economic flows in the comprehensive operating statement, however realised gains are recognised in the net result.

### Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities at amortised cost are initially measured at fair value, net of directly attributable transaction costs. These are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. NT Home Ownership's financial liabilities categorised at amortised cost include all accounts payable, advances received and borrowings.

### Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

Financial liabilities are classified at FVTPL when the liabilities are either held for trading or designated as FVTPL. Financial liabilities classified at FVTPL are initially and subsequently measured at fair value with gains or losses recognised in the net result for the year.

For financial liabilities designated at FVTPL, changes in the fair value of the liability attributable to changes in the NT Home Ownership's credit risk are recognised in other comprehensive income, while remaining changes in the fair value are recognised in the net result.

NT Home Ownership does not have any financial liabilities under this category.

#### a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. NT Home Ownership's exposure to credit risk arises from funds advanced to loan counterparties and the possibility that they will not adhere to the terms of the contract with NT Home Ownership when settlement becomes due.

NT Home Ownership has limited credit risk exposure (risk of default). In respect of any dealings with the People's Choice, NT Home Ownership mitigates any risk for home loan portfolio by mortgage management contract process that includes quarterly contract reviews, Lending Management directives and monthly reporting on loan the portfolio.

The exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each non-government debtor. In monitoring debtor credit risk, debtors are grouped according to their aging profile and existence of previous financial difficulties. Loans are provided to home purchasers subject to the retention of tittles clauses, so that in the event of a non-payment, NT Home Ownership may have a secured claim.

The carrying amount of financial assets recorded in the financial statements, net of any allowances for losses, represents the GBD's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking account of the value of any collateral or other security obtained.

Credit risk relating to receivables is disclosed in Note 13 and advances paid in Note 14.

## 22. Financial instruments (continued)

### b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk NT Home Ownership will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The NT Home Ownership's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure it will always have sufficient funds to meet its liabilities when they fall due. This is achieved by ensuring minimum levels of cash are held in the GBD bank account to meet various current employee and supplier liabilities. NT Home Ownership's exposure to liquidity risk is minimal.

The following tables detail the NT Home Ownership's remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities, calculated based on undiscounted cash flows at reporting date. The undiscounted cash flows in these tables differ from the amounts included in the balance sheet, which are based on discounted cash flows.

#### Maturity analysis for financial liabilities

2023	Carrying amount	Less than a year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Payables <sup>1</sup>	423	423			423
Loans	132 542	47 773	72 047	20 336	140 155
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>132 965</b>	<b>48 196</b>	<b>72 047</b>	<b>20 336</b>	<b>140 578</b>

<sup>1</sup>Amounts disclosed exclude statutory amounts and accruals (such as AOTA, accrued expenses, unearned revenue and provisions), as these do not meet the definition of financial instrument and therefore amounts will not be recognised in the balance sheet.

2022	Carrying amount	Less than a year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Payables	390	390	-	-	390
Loans	155 816	48 180	99 605	31 035	178 820
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>156 206</b>	<b>48 570</b>	<b>99 605</b>	<b>31 035</b>	<b>179 210</b>

<sup>1</sup>Amounts disclosed exclude statutory amounts and accruals (such as AOTA, accrued expenses, unearned revenue and provisions), as these do not meet the definition of financial instrument and therefore amounts will not be recognised in the balance sheet.

### d) Market risk

Market risk is the risk the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. It comprises interest rate risk, price risk and currency risk.

#### (i) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk of financial loss and or increased costs due to adverse movements in the values of financial assets and liabilities as a result in interest rates. NT Home Ownership's exposure to interest rate risk and the average interest rate for classes of financial assets and financial liabilities is set out below.

NT Home Ownership's operating account earns monthly interest at a variable interest rate of Northern Territory Treasury Corporation's weighted average cash return less 50 basis points. The NT Home Ownership exposure to interest rate risk by asset and liability classes is disclosed below.

## 22. Financial instruments (continued)

### Interest rate risk for financial assets and liabilities

2023	Interest bearing			Non-interest bearing	Total	Weighted average
	Variable	Fixed				
	\$000	\$000	\$000			
<b>Assets</b>						
Cash and deposits	12 120	-	-	12 120	4.10	
Receivables <sup>1</sup>	-	-	43	43	-	
Advances	99 303	-	-	99 303	8.47	
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>111 423</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>111 466</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Payables <sup>1</sup>	-	-	423	423	-	
Advances	-	132 569	-	132 569	4.83	
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>132 569</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>132 992</b>		

<sup>1</sup>Amounts disclosed exclude statutory amounts and accruals (such as AOTA, accrued expenses, unearned revenue and provisions), as these do not meet the definition of financial instrument and therefore amounts will not be recognised in the balance sheet.

2022	Interest bearing			Non-interest bearing	Total	Weighted average
	Variable	Fixed				
	\$000	\$000	\$000			
<b>Assets</b>						
Cash and deposits	11 026	-	-	11 026	0.85	
Receivables <sup>1</sup>	-	-	292	292	-	
Advances	118 574	-	-	118 574	1.31	
<b>Total financial assets</b>	<b>129 600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>129 892</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>						
Payables <sup>1</sup>	-	-	390	390	-	
Advances	-	155 816	-	155 816	4.48	
<b>Total financial liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>155 816</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>156 206</b>		

<sup>1</sup>Amounts disclosed exclude statutory amounts and accruals (such as AOTA, accrued expenses, unearned revenue and provisions), as these do not meet the definition of financial instrument and therefore amounts will not be recognised in the balance sheet.

## 22. Financial instruments (continued)

### Sensitivity analysis

Changes in the variable rates of 100 basis points (1 per cent) at reporting date would have the following effect on the GBD's profit or loss and equity.

	100 basis points increase	100 basis points decrease
	\$000	\$000
<b>30 June 2023</b>		
Financial assets – cash at bank	121	(121)
Financial assets – receivable loans	0	0
Financial assets – advances	993	(993)
<b>Net sensitivity</b>	<b>1 114</b>	<b>(1 114)</b>
<b>30 June 2022</b>		
Financial assets – cash at bank	110	(110)
Financial assets – receivable loans	3	(3)
Financial assets – advances	1 186	(1 186)
<b>Net sensitivity</b>	<b>1 299</b>	<b>(1 299)</b>

#### (ii) Price risk

NT Home Ownership is not exposed to price risk as NT Home Ownership does not hold units in unit trusts.

#### (iii) Currency risk

NT Home Ownership is not exposed to currency risk as NT Home Ownership does not hold borrowings denominated in foreign currencies or transactional currency exposures arising from purchases in a foreign currency.

## 23. Related parties

### i) Related parties

NT Home Ownership is a Government Business Division which is wholly owned and controlled by Territory Government. Related parties of the GBD include:

- the portfolio minister and key management personnel (KMP) because they have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the department directly
- close family members of the portfolio minister or KMP including spouses, children and dependants
- all public sector entities that are controlled and consolidated into the whole of government financial statements
- any entities controlled or jointly controlled by KMP's or the portfolio minister, or controlled or jointly controlled by their close family members.

### ii) Key management personnel (KMP)

Key management personnel of NT Home Ownership are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Home Ownership. These include the relevant minister, the Chief Executive Officer and members of the executive team of the Territory Families, Housing and Communities.

## 23. Related parties (continued)

### iii) Remuneration of key management personnel

Salaries and other benefits of the Minister for Housing and Homelands as the Minister remuneration are payable by the Department of the Legislative Assembly and consequently disclosed within the Treasurer's Annual Financial Statements.

The KMP employee benefits provided are disclosed in Territory Families, Housing and Communities financial statements and not included in NT Home ownership.

### iv) Related party transactions:

Transactions with Northern Territory Government-controlled entities

Significant transactions with government related entities includes funding from the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities for Community Service Obligations and loans from the Northern Territory Treasury Corporation.

The following table provides quantitative information about related party transactions entered into during the year with all other Northern Territory Government-controlled entities.

### 2023

Related Party	Revenue from related parties	Payments to related parties	Amounts owed by related parties	Amounts owed to related parties
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
All NT Government departments	3 710	7 032	43	132 746

### 2022

Related Party	Revenue from related parties	Payments to related parties	Amounts owed by related parties	Amounts owed to related parties
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
All NT Government departments	3 440	7 619	305	155 999

## 24. Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

### a) Contingent liabilities

NT Home Ownership had no contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2023.

### b) Contingent assets

NT Home Ownership had no contingent assets as at 30 June 2023.

## 25. Events subsequent to balance date

No events have arisen between the end of the financial year and the date of this report that require adjustment to, or disclosure in the financial statements.

## 26. Budgetary information

### Comprehensive operating statement

	2023 Actual	2023 Original budget	Variance	Note
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
<b>INCOME</b>				
Grants and subsidies revenue				
Community Service Obligation	3 414	3 657	(243)	
Sales of goods and services	4	-	4	
Interest revenue	8 399	6 560	1 839	1
Gain on disposal of shared equity investment	2 624	-	2 624	2
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>14 441</b>	<b>10 217</b>	<b>4 224</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Employee expenses	251	267	(16)	
Administrative expenses				
Purchases of goods and services	2 502	2 343	159	
Other administrative expenses	598	-	598	3
Grants and subsidies expenses				
Current	48	95	(47)	
Interest expenses	6 774	7 272	(498)	4
Loss on disposal of shared equity investments	87	-	87	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>10 260</b>	<b>9 977</b>	<b>283</b>	
<b>NET SURPLUS</b>	<b>4 181</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>3 941</b>	
<b>COMPREHENSIVE RESULT</b>	<b>4 181</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>3 941</b>	

#### Notes:

1. Interest revenue is higher than original budget due to increases in the interest rate.
2. Shared Equity investments are revalued annually, gain on revaluation reflects increases in the Northern Territory housing market.
3. Unbudgeted, write-offs and loss allowance expenses incurred.
4. Reduction in interest expense reflects the payment of borrowings during the year.

## 26. Budgetary information (continued)

### Balance sheet

	2023 Actual	2023 Original budget	Variance	Note
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current assets</b>				
Cash and deposits	12 120	13 886	(1 766)	1
Receivables	73	18	55	
Advances and investments	10 483	-	10 483	1
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>22 676</b>	<b>13 904</b>	<b>8 772</b>	
<b>Non-current assets</b>				
Advances and investments	88 820	149 723	(60 903)	1
Shared Equity Investments	38 812	-	38 812	1
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>127 632</b>	<b>149 723</b>	<b>(22 091)</b>	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>150 308</b>	<b>163 627</b>	<b>(13 319)</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Deposits held				
Payables	423	393	30	
Borrowings and advances	42 114	-	42 114	2
Provisions	17	26	(9)	
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>42 554</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>42 135</b>	
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>				
Borrowings and advances	90 455	153 651	(63 196)	2
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>90 455</b>	<b>153 651</b>	<b>(63 196)</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>133 009</b>	<b>154 070</b>	<b>(21 061)</b>	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>17 299</b>	<b>9 557</b>	<b>7 742</b>	
<b>EQUITY</b>				
Capital	22 745	22 745	-	
Accumulated funds	(5 447)	(13 188)	7 742	
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>17 298</b>	<b>9 557</b>	<b>7 742</b>	

### Notes:

- 1 Fewer new loans to Territorians combined with a paydown of Northern Territory Government equity shares. Note budget for all investments is shown through non-current 'Advances and investments'.
- 2 Pay down of loan with NT Treasury Corporation. Note budget for all borrowings is shown through non-current 'Borrowings and advances'.

## 26. Budgetary information (continued)

### Cash flow statement

	2023 Actual	2023 Original budget	Variance	Note
	\$000	\$000	\$000	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
<b>Operating receipts</b>				
Receipts from sales of goods and services and community service obligation	3 877	3 657	220	
Interest received	8 364	6 560	1 804	1
<b>Total operating receipts</b>	<b>12 241</b>	<b>10 217</b>	<b>2 024</b>	
<b>Operating payments</b>				
Payments to employees	(215)	(267)	52	
Payments for goods and services	(2 677)	(2 343)	(334)	
Grants and subsidies paid	(48)	(95)	47	
Interest paid	(6 782)	(7 257)	475	2
<b>Total operating payments</b>	<b>(9 722)</b>	<b>(9 962)</b>	<b>240</b>	
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>2 519</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>2 264</b>	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
<b>Investing receipts</b>				
Repayment of advances	19 713	15 000	4 713	3
Sales of investments	3 149	3 500	(351)	4
<b>Total investing receipts</b>	<b>22 862</b>	<b>18 500</b>	<b>362</b>	
<b>Investing payments</b>				
Advances and investing payments	(1 014)	(6 000)	4 986	5
<b>Total investing payments</b>	<b>(1 014)</b>	<b>(6 000)</b>	<b>4 986</b>	
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>	<b>21 848</b>	<b>12 500</b>	<b>9 348</b>	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
<b>Financing payments</b>				
Repayment of borrowings	(23 273)	(7 165)	(16 108)	6
<b>Total financing payments</b>	<b>(23 273)</b>	<b>(7 165)</b>	<b>(16 108)</b>	
<b>Net cash from/(used in) financing activities</b>	<b>(23 273)</b>	<b>(7 165)</b>	<b>(16 108)</b>	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	1 094	5 590	(4 496)	
Cash at beginning of financial year	11 026	8 296	2 730	
<b>CASH AT END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	<b>12 120</b>	<b>13 886</b>	<b>(1 766)</b>	

#### Notes:

- Interest revenue is higher than original budget to due increases in the interest rate.
- Reduction in interest paid reflects the payment of borrowings during the year.
- Actual repayment of advances are above budget due to better than anticipated repayment of advances received.
- Proceeds from sale of investments below budget due to lower than anticipated buy back of shared equity investments.
- Reduced take up of loan products due to availability of land.
- Repayment of loans to the Northern Territory Treasury Corporation.

# Appendix



# Appendix: Funding to external partners

Grant Recipients	Amount
801 SQUADRON AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS	\$6,100
802 SQUADRON AUSTRALIAN AIRFORCE CADETS	\$4,300
803 SQUADRON AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS	\$700
804 SQUADRON-AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS	\$200
8CCC RADIO	\$2,000
A & N FITNESS	\$4,800
ABORIGINAL HOSTELS LTD (HEAD OFFICE)	\$1,478,603
ABORIGINAL HOUSING NT (AHNT) ABORIGINAL CORP	\$1,049,163
ACACIA HILLS MOTOCROSS ASSOCIATION INC	\$100
ADELAIDE RIVER PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL INC	\$10,600
ADJUMARLLARL ABORIGINAL CORP	\$125,750
AFL NT LTD	\$952,473
AFRICA AUSTRALIA FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION	\$4,500
AGOY YOGA DARWIN	\$400
AIKIDO NT INC	\$300
AIR DARWIN	\$10,000
AKEYULERRE INC	\$808,754
ALCOHOL AND DRUG FOUNDATION	\$109,637
ALEKARENGE SCHOOL	\$20,014
ALICE SPRINGS BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION	\$36,900
ALICE SPRINGS CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB	\$2,120
ALICE SPRINGS CINEMA	\$19,840
ALICE SPRINGS EQUESTRIAN MANAGEMENT GROUP INC	\$1,784
ALICE SPRINGS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC	\$700
ALICE SPRINGS INDIAN COMMUNITY INC	\$1,200
ALICE SPRINGS ISLAMIC SOCIETY INC	\$2,000
ALICE SPRINGS MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION INC	\$6,500
ALICE SPRINGS MOTORCYCLE CLUB	\$2,100
ALICE SPRINGS NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC	\$9,900
ALICE SPRINGS PONY CLUB INC	\$2,300
ALICE SPRINGS RUNNING & WALKING CLUB	\$600
ALICE SPRINGS SCHOOL OF THE AIR	\$8,000
ALICE SPRINGS SWIMMING CLUB INC	\$7,098
ALICE SPRINGS TOUCH ASSOCIATION	\$300
ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL	\$949,391
ALICE SPRINGS WOMEN'S SHELTER	\$4,607,006
ALICE SPRINGS YOUTH ACCOMMODATION & SUPPORT SERVICES INC	\$1,564,239
ALICE SPRINGS YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE INC	\$147,890
ALL INDIVIDUALS (218)	\$719,186
ALLIANCE FRANCAISE DE DARWIN INC	\$2,650

Grant Recipients	Amount
ALPURRURULAM SCHOOL	\$6,787
ALYANGULA AREA SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$42,595
ALYARRMANDUMANJA UMBAKUMBA SCHOOL	\$38,685
AMADEUS MUSIC	\$1,600
AMAZING MISS DEB	\$9,900
AMIABLE COMMUNICATIONS	\$1,000
AMOONGUNA SCHOOL	\$4,500
AMPILATWATJA SCHOOL	\$17,938
ANGLICARE NT	\$7,594,888
ANINDILYAKWA HOUSING ABORIGINAL CORP	\$648,710
ARAFURA CALISTHENICS CLUB	\$4,600
ARAFURA DANCE ASSOCIATION INC	\$16,400
ARAFURA DRAGONS PADDLERS CLUB	\$100
ARAFURA MOO DUK KWAN	\$3,000
ARAFURA MUSIC COLLECTIVE	\$5,000
ARDS ABORIGINAL CORPORATION	\$194,693
ARLC NT LTD	\$234,002
ARLPARRA SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$37,162
ARNHEM LAND HOOPERS ACADEMY	\$1,100
ARNHEM NORTHERN & KIMBERLEY ARTIST ABORIGINAL CORP	\$59,118
ARRAMWELKE ABORIGINAL CORP	\$574,957
ARRERNTE COMMUNITY BOXING ACADEMY	\$13,700
ART ANTICS	\$3,400
ARTBACK NT INC	\$285,509
ARTS LAW CENTRE OF AUSTRALIA	\$25,000
AUS PROJECTS NT PTY LTD	\$1,795,130
AUSCYCLING LTD	\$184,202
AUSPICIOUS ARTS PROJECTS INC	\$9,986
AUSSI MASTERS SWIMMING IN AUSTRALIA NT	\$1,181
AUSSIE POTZ	\$900
AUSTIN MARTIAL ARTS	\$7,200
AUSTRALIA CHINA FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY NT BRANCH	\$9,300
AUSTRALIA COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS	\$50,000
AUSTRALIA DAY COUNCIL NT INC	\$500
AUSTRALIA SPORTS MEDICINE FEDERATION LTD	\$102,470
AUSTRALIAN BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION LTD	\$35,227
AUSTRALIAN DANCE ACADEMY	\$16,100
AUSTRALIAN HOUSING AND URBAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE	\$18,192
AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER - AIATSI	\$250,000
AUSTRALIAN JAPANESE ASSOCIATION OF THE NT	\$5,000
AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS	\$1,589,126
AUSTRALIAN VIETNAMESE FAMILY ASSOCIATION INC	\$6,900

Grant Recipients	Amount
BABY BALLET DARWIN	\$5,500
BALANCED CHOICE PROGRAM PTY LTD	\$234,800
BANGLADESH ASSOCIATION OF NT INC	\$1,000
BANIYALA GARRANGALI SCHOOL	\$9,147
BANKS BULLDOGS NETBALL CLUB	\$4,300
BARKLY REGIONAL ARTS INC	\$184,893
BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL	\$1,734,433
BASEBALL NT	\$110,337
BASKETBALL NT INC	\$684,702
BATCHELOR AREA SCHOOL	\$11,814
BAWINANGA ABORIGINAL CORP	\$1,474,683
BEAUTY OF TATUM	\$33,570
BEES CREEK SOO BAHK DO	\$1,600
BELGRAVIA LEISURE - SHELL PALMERSTON	\$35,213
BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL	\$83,505
BERRIMAH RIDING CLUB	\$6,253
BERRY SPRINGS RECREATION RESERVE INC	\$1,700
BETTER BODIES INC	\$24,900
BJJDARWIN PTY LTD	\$6,600
BLUE EAGLE MUAY TAI TRAINING AND FITNESS	\$3,700
BM BANKS HOCKEY CLUB INC	\$6,180
BOARD OF THE MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY OF THE NT	\$9,043,717
BOOBOOK CONSULTANCY	\$5,000
BORROLOOLA SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$32,400
BOWLS NT	\$109,837
BOXFITNT	\$400
BOYLES STRIKING ACADEMY	\$3,400
BROTHERS RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB INC	\$19,900
BROWN'S MART ARTS LTD	\$670,234
BUILD UP SKATEBOARDING	\$105,790
BUILT DIFFERENT BOXING & FITNESS PTY LTD	\$500
BUKU LARRNGGAY MULKA INC	\$11,700
BULABULA ARTS	\$21,746
BUSH FIT MOB PTY LTD	\$180,019
CAIS INC	\$1,900
CANTEEN CREEK OWAIRTILLA CORP	\$237,882
CARERS NT	\$131,441
CARPENTARIA DISABILITY SERVICES LTD	\$1,218,535
CASUARINA COUGARS NETBALL CLUB INC	\$10,800
CASUARINA RUGBY UNION CLUB INC	\$10,000
CASUARINA SOCCER CLUB INC	\$21,200
CASUARINA SWIM SCHOOL	\$23,200
CASUARINA SWIMMING CLUB	\$1,240

Grant Recipients	Amount
CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF DARWIN	\$45,000
CATHOLICCARE NT	\$4,395,688
CENTRAL AUSTRALIA SIKH CULTURAL CENTRE INC	\$4,000
CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINAL CONGRESS	\$604,241
CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINAL FAMILY LEGAL UNIT ABORIGINAL CORP	\$196,375
CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN AVIATION MUSEUM INC	\$1,300
CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN ROUGH RIDERS INC	\$4,600
CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE INC	\$1,000
CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN WOMENS LEGAL SERVICE INC	\$196,375
CENTRAL CRAFT	\$84,648
CENTRAL DESERT SHIRE COUNCIL	\$434,087
CHALC MOB	\$800
CHARLES DARWIN UNIVERSITY	\$236,733
CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION ASSOCIATION DARWIN INC	\$5,000
CHILDRENS GROUND LTD	\$311,025
CHINESE LANGUAGE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION OF THE NT	\$1,500
CHRIST THE KING PARISH TENNANT CREEK	\$10,000
CHUISLE BOXING AND FITNESS	\$2,000
CITY OF PALMERSTON	\$595,339
CLUBHOUSE TERRITORY INC	\$2,000
COMMERCE PINTS HOCKEY CLUB	\$4,000
COMMUNITY HOUSING CENTRAL AUSTRALIA	\$1,268,793
COMMUNITY HOUSING LTD	\$730,000
COMPLETE CONSTRUCTIONS CRICKET CLUB	\$2,000
COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL	\$101,104
CORRUGATED IRON YOUTH ARTS	\$184,597
COTA NT	\$653,936
COUNCIL FOR ABORIGINAL ALCOHOL PROGRAM SERVICES INC	\$2,041,715
CREATE FOUNDATION	\$841,956
CRISIS ACCOMODATION GOVE INC	\$1,140,581
CROSSFIT ABODE	\$1,300
CROSSFIT KICKASS PTY LTD	\$700
DALY RIVER BUFFALOES FOOTBALL CLUB	\$5,000
DAMIEN MICK IBC COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$170,000
DANCE CONSTRUCT	\$3,900
DANILA DILBA HEALTH SERVICE	\$588,655
DARWIN ABORIGINAL & ISLANDER WOMENS SHELTER	\$2,777,252
DARWIN ABORIGINAL ART FAIR FOUNDATION	\$62,695
DARWIN AMATEUR WATERPOLO ASSOCIATION	\$4,980
DARWIN ATHLETICS CLUB	\$5,000
DARWIN AYYAPPA SEVA SANGAM INCORPORATED	\$700
DARWIN BADMINTON CLUB INC	\$600
DARWIN BALI COMMUNITY	\$800

Grant Recipients	Amount
DARWIN BAPTIST CHURCH INC	\$2,000
DARWIN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION	\$258,200
DARWIN BOWLS AND SOCIAL CLUB INC	\$3,151
DARWIN CALLIGRAPHY PTY LTD	\$2,000
DARWIN CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES INC	\$105,091
DARWIN CITY COUNCIL	\$1,559,467
DARWIN CLAY TARGET CLUB INC	\$600
DARWIN COMMUNITY ARTS INC	\$361,600
DARWIN COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICE INC	\$540,083
DARWIN CRICKET CLUB	\$10,400
DARWIN DRAGONS RUGBY UNION CLUB	\$5,500
DARWIN DRESSAGE CLUB	\$3,683
DARWIN FOOTBALL CLUB	\$10,200
DARWIN FRINGE INC	\$5,000
DARWIN GOLF CLUB INC	\$2,300
DARWIN GYMNASTICS CLUB INC	\$51,400
DARWIN HIGH SCHOOL	\$3,500
DARWIN ICE SKATING CENTRE	\$56,400
DARWIN INDOOR BEACH VOLLEYBALL	\$100
DARWIN JUDO CLUB	\$5,300
DARWIN KARTING ASSOCIATION INC	\$900
DARWIN MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION INC	\$6,400
DARWIN MALAYALEE FORUM INC	\$4,400
DARWIN MOVEMENT CENTRE PTY LTD	\$1,500
DARWIN NETBALL ASSOCIATION	\$100
DARWIN OLYMPIC SPORTING CLUB INC	\$27,700
DARWIN PERFORMANCE ACADEMY	\$9,200
DARWIN PERFORMING ART T/A DARWIN ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE	\$670,682
DARWIN PHYSICAL CULTURE CLUB	\$1,400
DARWIN RUNNERS & WALKERS INC	\$100
DARWIN SCHOOL OF BALLET	\$5,800
DARWIN SHOTOKAN KARATE	\$1,300
DARWIN SHOW JUMPING CLUB INC	\$6,402
DARWIN SPEEDWAY RIDERS AND DRIVERS ASSOCIATION INC	\$1,000
DARWIN SQUASH CENTRE	\$116,107
DARWIN SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB INC	\$6,700
DARWIN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA	\$209,045
DARWIN TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC	\$2,900
DARWIN TOP END BOWHUNTERS INC	\$2,100
DARWIN TOY LIBRARY INC	\$149,826
DARWIN TRIATHLON CLUB	\$4,857
DARWIN VISUAL ARTS ASSOCIATION INC	\$69,048
DARWIN VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION	\$2,500

Grant Recipients	Amount
DARWIN YOGA SPACE	\$100
DAWN HOUSE INC	\$2,215,916
DEADLY HAIR DUDE	\$2,000
DEAF CONNECT	\$120,000
DELTAREEF PTY LTD	\$188,506
DEMED ABORIGINAL CORP	\$910,880
DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND JUSTICE	\$10,000
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	\$45,000
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND TRADE	\$40,000
DESART INC	\$367,703
DESERT KNOWLEDGE AUSTRALIA	\$10,000
DICE (AUST) PTY LTD	\$85,000
DINAH BEACH CRUISING YACHT ASSOCIATION INC	\$2,996
DINYBULU REGIONAL SERVICES RAMINGINING MECHANICAL REPAIRS	\$490,140
DISABILITY ADVOCACY SERVICE	\$76,864
DISABILITY SPORTS AUSTRALIA LTD	\$99,675
DOLCE VIOLIN SCHOOL	\$2,200
DOUGLAS DALY SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$8,821
DREAM CALISTHENICS DANCE CLUB INC	\$5,000
DREAM IMPACT INSPIRE	\$15,400
DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES AUSTRALIA LTD	\$4,000
DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARDS (NT DIVISION) INC	\$20,800
DUKES CAFE AND EATERY	\$2,000
DUNDEE BEACH SCHOOL	\$4,932
EAGLES BASKETBALL CLUB	\$2,000
EAST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL	\$851,371
EAST DARWIN HOCKEY CLUB	\$5,600
EDGE HEALTH CLUB CASUARINA	\$900
ELEMENTAL GYMNASTICS INC	\$3,000
ELLIAT RICH DESIGN STUDIO	\$1,000
ELLIOTT SCHOOL	\$14,443
ENDORSED ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	\$59,800
ENRG GYMNASTICS PTY LTD	\$24,700
EQUATORIAN ASSOCIATION	\$2,000
EQUESTRIAN NORTHERN NY INC	\$111,637
EUROPEAN UNION TOP END INC	\$2,500
FAMILY FIRST EARLY LEARNING	\$5,000
FEDERAL CRICKET CLUB INC	\$1,000
FEDERAL NETBALL CLUB	\$5,100
FIJI ASSOCIATION OF THE NT	\$5,000
FIJI MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY ALICE SPRINGS INC	\$3,500
FILIPINIANA SENIOR CITIZEN'S ASSOCIATION INC	\$10,000
FILIPINO AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE NT	\$22,000

Grant Recipients	Amount
FINKE SCHOOL	\$4,343
FITNESS PLAYGROUND NT PTY LTD	\$6,200
FITNESS WORKS FOR YOU	\$700
FOODBANK NT	\$480,000
FOOTBALL FEDERATION NT	\$311,002
FOOTBALL IN CENTRAL AUSTRALIA (FICA)	\$2,400
FORREST PARADE SCHOOL	\$650
FORREST PR	\$35,000
FOSTER AND KINSHIP CARERS NT	\$1,189,730
FREDS PASS FIELD ARCHERS	\$200
FRED'S PASS POSITIVE DOG TRAINING CLUB INC	\$2,000
FRIENDS OF THE TAMINMIN LIBRARY	\$2,000
G TRAINING HEALTH & FITNESS	\$3,600
GALIWIN'KU WOMEN'S SPACE	\$943,078
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF THE NT INC	\$45,000
GET PHYSICAL	\$700
GIRL GUIDES NSW, ACT & NT	\$83,251
GOLF NT INC	\$190,002
GONG WANHURR PRODUCTIONS	\$71,293
GOVE ARTS THEATRE	\$2,120
GOVE COUNTRY GOLF CLUB INC	\$1,600
GOVE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB INC	\$9,700
GOVE NETBALL	\$2,300
GOVE TOUCH ASSOCIATION	\$5,000
GOVE TOY LIBRARY INC	\$19,497
GOVE YACHT CLUB	\$2,019
GRASSROOTS ACTION PALMERSTON	\$62,500
GREATER PALMERSTON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB INC	\$16,700
GREEK ORTHODOX COMMUNITY OF NORTHERN AUSTRALIA INC	\$53,000
GREEK TRADITIONAL DANCING GROUP	\$2,400
GREEN RIVER ABORIGINAL CORP	\$32,175
GUJARATI CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF DARWIN INC	\$4,680
GUNBALANYA COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE	\$260,000
GUNDJEIHMI ABORIGINAL CORP	\$4,200
GURINDJI ABORIGINAL CORP	\$874,823
GUTS DANCE CENTRAL AUSTRALIA INC	\$55,842
GYMNASTICS NT	\$234,002
HAASTS BLUFF SCHOOL	\$4,522
HAMILTON DOWNS YOUTH CAMP ASSOC INC	\$51,312
HAPPY YESS COMMUNITY ARTS INC	\$84,213
HEALTHY LIVING (NT)	\$117,171
HINDU SOCIETY OF CENTRAL AUSTRALIA INC	\$4,500
HINDU SOCIETY OF THE NT INC	\$1,500

Grant Recipients	Amount
HOCKEY NT INC	\$242,202
HOOPS 4 HEALTH PTY LTD	\$105,000
HOT GAME MAGNET	\$15,000
HOWARD SPRINGS SWIM SCHOOL	\$17,500
HUMPTY DOO & RURAL AREA GOLF CLUB INC	\$7,000
IGNITE POTENTIAL	\$46,000
ILPURLA ABORIGINAL CORP	\$29,522
IN THE MIX	\$4,420
INCITE ARTS INC	\$148,261
INDIAN AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF NT INC	\$1,000
INDIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY INC	\$51,000
INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY TELEVISION LTD	\$45,650
INDIGENOUS ESSENTIAL SERVICES PTY LTD	\$67,674,329
INGKERREKE SERVICES ABORIGINAL CORP	\$4,173,118
INTEGRATED DISABILITY ACTION INC	\$212,974
ISLAMIC SOCIETY OF DARWIN	\$19,800
JABIRU AREA SCHOOL	\$12,915
JARDIMBA BAYAMUKU	\$531,859
JAWOYN ASSOCIATION ABORIGINALCORP	\$720,739
JINGILI BMX CLUB INC	\$8,900
JUDO FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA NT INC	\$35,227
JULALIKARI COUNCIL ABORIGINAL CORP	\$1,373,458
JULIE U'REN CONSULTING	\$1,000
JUNIOR POLICE RANGERS LAND ASSOCIATION (JPRLA)	\$4,000
KALANO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ABORIGINAL CORP	\$2,224,058
KALKARINGI SCHOOL	\$16,690
KATHERINE ATHLETICS CENTRE	\$3,000
KATHERINE CINEMA 3	\$26,475
KATHERINE FOOTBALL CLUB	\$7,900
KATHERINE GYMNASTICS CLUB INC	\$16,100
KATHERINE HIGH SCHOOL	\$550
KATHERINE HORSE AND PONY CLUB	\$5,000
KATHERINE INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE	\$3,337
KATHERINE JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE	\$31,000
KATHERINE NETBALL ASSOCIATION	\$21,400
KATHERINE OUTBACK EXPERIENCE PTY LTD	\$10,000
KATHERINE REGIONAL ARTS INC	\$211,448
KATHERINE REGIONAL CULTURAL PRECINT LTD	\$496,149
KATHERINE SCHOOL OF DANCE	\$1,400
KATHERINE SCHOOL OF THE AIR COUNCIL	\$36,800
KATHERINE SWIMMING CLUB INC	\$5,600
KATHERINE TENNIS CLUB INC	\$1,800
KATHERINE TOWN COUNCIL	\$403,861

Grant Recipients	Amount
KATHERINE VOLLEYBALL CLUB INC	\$1,100
KATHERINE WEST HEALTH BOARD ABORIGINAL CORP	\$403,195
KATHERINE WOMENS CRISIS CENTRE INC	\$2,120,990
KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL COUNCIL (NT) INC	\$2,000
KELTIKKA PERFORMANCE DANCE COMPANY	\$2,100
KIDSAFE NT	\$48,230
KINTORE STREET SCHOOL	\$9,300
KMA MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY DARWIN	\$1,600
KOKORO BUSSHU KARATE	\$3,700
KWILS	\$196,375
LAJAMANU SCHOOL COUNCIL INC	\$33,701
LANGUAGE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION OF THE NT	\$700
LARAPINTA PRIMARY SCHOOL	\$260,000
LARRAKIA NATIONAL ABORIGINAL CORP	\$818,666
LAYNHAPUY HOMELANDS ABORIGINAL CORP	\$2,318,955
LAYNHAPUY HOMELANDS SCHOOL	\$13,093
LEISA'S SCHOOL OF DANCING	\$15,800
LIONS CLUB OF DARWIN-CASUARINA INCORP	\$1,000
LITCHFIELD BEARS RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB INC	\$53,300
LITCHFIELD COUNCIL	\$417,370
LITCHFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB	\$13,100
LITCHFIELD HORSE & PONY CLUB	\$1,000
LTYENTYE APURTE CATHOLIC SCHOOL	\$17,600
LUDAS HOUSE MMA	\$2,100
LUKPHINONG MUAYTHAI GYM	\$3,700
MABUHAY ENTERPRISES	\$2,000
MABUNJI ABORIGINAL RESOURCE INDIGENOUS CORP	\$2,271,127
MACDONNELL REGIONAL COUNCIL	\$2,183,361
MACFARLANE PRIMARY SCHOOL	\$700
MACKILLOP FAMILY SERVICES LTD	\$834,814
MACKILLOP SAINTS SPORTING ASSOCIATION INC	\$1,900
MADE CONCEPTS PTY LTD	\$8,000
MALAK FAMILY CENTRE	\$16,379
MALAK SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$650
MALA'LA HEALTH SERVICE ABORIGINAL CORP	\$693,983
MAMULBAK	\$10,000
MAN HO ACADEMY OF MATERIAL ARTS	\$3,200
MANINGRIDA CEC COUNCIL	\$8,979
MANTIYUPWI PTY LTD	\$394,040
MANUNGURRA ABORIGINAL CORP	\$188,506
MANYALLALUK SCHOOL	\$7,061
MARIANNES SWIMMING SCHOOL	\$19,800
MARNGARR RESOURCE CENTRE ABORIGINAL CORP	\$25,000

Grant Recipients	Amount
MARRARA JUDO CLUB INC	\$8,400
MARTHAKAL HOMELAND & RESOURCE CENTRE ABORIGINAL CORP	\$819,936
MASH NETBALL CLUB INC	\$18,789
MAWURLI AND WIRRIWANGKUMA ABORIGINAL CORP	\$1,000
MELALEUCA REFUGEE CENTRE	\$889,348
MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL AUSTRALIA INC	\$266,469
MENZIES SCHOOL OF HEALTH RESEARCH	\$400,000
MERREPEN ARTS	\$2,000
MILIKAPITI SCHOOL	\$9,198
MILINGIMBI & OUTSTATIONS PROGRESS RESOURCE ASSN INC	\$553,826
MILINGIMBI SCHOOL-YURRWI COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE COUNCIL	\$60,094
MILINTJI DEVELOPMENTS PTY LTD	\$194,584
MILLNER PRIMARY SCHOOL	\$1,200
MINDIL ACES SOCCER CLUB INC	\$27,400
MINYERRI SCHOOL	\$17,454
MISSION AUSTRALIA	\$6,827,385
MIWATJ HEALTH ABORIGINAL CORP	\$52,000
MOTORSPORT NT	\$298,196
MOUNT ALLAN SCHOOL	\$2,203
MULGA BORE SCHOOL	\$5,007
MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY SERVICES OF CENTRAL AUSTRALIA INC	\$212,348
MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL OF THE NT	\$384,124
MURIN TRAVEL & FREIGHT SERVICES	\$443,295
MURRAY DOWNS SCHOOL	\$2,198
MUSIC NT INC	\$580,476
MUTITJULU COMMUNITY ABORIGINAL CORP	\$183,813
NAAFLS	\$196,375
NAKARA PRIMARY SCHOOL	\$400
NANGALA PROJECT LTD T/A JOHN MORIARTY FOOTBALL PROJECT	\$10,000
NAPCAN FOUNDATION	\$487,602
NARRATIVE CONNECTIONS - SARAH ATKINSON COUNSELLING	\$5,000
NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE AGENCY - NDIS	\$58,546,305
NATIONAL DISABILITY SERVICES LTD (ACT)	\$197,254
NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (NT)	\$163,380
NEATA GLASS GIANTS NETBALL CLUB	\$5,200
NEPALESE ASSOCIATION OF NT INC	\$11,200
NEPALESE COMMUNITY ALICE SPRINGS INC	\$4,500
NEWCASTLE WATERS SCHOOL	\$10,689
NGALIWURRU-WULI ABORIGINAL CORP	\$1,132,143
NGURRATJUTA PMARA NTJARRA ABORIGINAL CORP	\$565,847
NHULUNBUY AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB	\$1,200
NHULUNBUY BICYCLE MOTOCROSS CLUB INC	\$4,800
NHULUNBUY CORP LTD	\$14,475

Grant Recipients	Amount
NHULUNBUY PRIMARY SCHOOL	\$600
NIGHTCLIFF CRICKET CLUB INC	\$2,600
NIGHTCLIFF FOOTBALL CLUB	\$15,900
NIGHTCLIFF NETBALL CLUB INC	\$7,200
NIGHTCLIFF RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB	\$16,500
NIGHTCLIFF SWIMMING CLUB INC	\$4,600
NIGHTCLIFF UNIVERSITY TIGERS HOCKY CLUB INC	\$5,200
NOONAMAH HORSE & PONY CLUB	\$5,000
NOONAMAH POLOCROSSE CLUB INC	\$3,477
NORTH AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINAL JUSTICE AGENCY LTD	\$908,236
NORTHERN CENTRE FOR CONTEMPORARY ART	\$226,830
NORTHERN COWBOYS ASSOCIATION INC	\$1,200
NORTHERN DISTRICTS EAGLES NETBALL TEAM INC	\$7,300
NORTHERN SHARKS RLFC	\$20,700
NPY WOMEN'S COUNCIL	\$484,635
NT AIDS AND HEPATITIS COUNCIL INC	\$119,230
NT ATHLETICS INC	\$113,937
NT BADMINTON ASSOCIATION	\$46,427
NT BOXING ASSOCIATION	\$36,627
NT CALISTHENICS ASSOCIATION INC	\$35,227
NT CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION	\$35,227
NT COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE	\$978,118
NT CRICKET	\$284,002
NT DANCE COMPANY	\$70,498
NT FIELD & GAME INC	\$2,174
NT FIREARMS COUNCIL INC	\$102,470
NT HONG KONG CLUB	\$1,550
NT INDIGENOUS FOOTBALL ABORIGINAL CORP	\$7,000
NT IRISH ASSOCIATION INC	\$2,000
NT KAREN COMMUNITY INC	\$800
NT LEGAL AID COMMISSION	\$176,500
NT MUSIC SCHOOL	\$15,425
NT NETBALL ASSOCIATION	\$234,002
NT POLOCROSSE ASSOCIATION	\$36,427
NT RIFLE ASSOCIATION INC	\$35,227
NT ROGAINING ASSOCIATION INC	\$4,900
NT RUGBY UNION	\$434,002
NT SENIOR WOMEN GOLFER'S ASSOCIATION	\$1,600
NT SHELTER	\$586,930
NT SHOW COUNCIL INC	\$380,000
NT STOLEN GENERATIONS ABORIGINAL CORP	\$110,188
NT SWIM SCHOOL	\$278,800
NT THAI ASSOCIATION	\$800

Grant Recipients	Amount
NT WEIGHTLIFTING ASSOCIATION	\$35,227
NT WORKING WOMEN'S CENTRE INC	\$284,500
NT WRITERS CENTRE INC	\$133,129
NT YACHTING ASSOCIATION	\$109,837
NUMBULWAR HOMELANDS COUNCIL ASSOCIATION INC	\$307,737
OFF THE LEASH INC	\$75,000
OGBAKO NDI IGBO NT	\$2,500
OJ FIT 4 LIFE	\$300
ONE TREE COMMUNITY SERVICES	\$1,400,535
OUR WATCH LTD	\$282,731
OUTBACK STORES	\$40,353
OUTBACK TAEKWONDO	\$3,300
OVERCOME YOUR STORY	\$3,000
PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF THE NT INC	\$500
PALMERSTON & REGIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION	\$239,500
PALMERSTON AND LITCHFIELD SENIORS ASSOCIATION INC	\$2,000
PALMERSTON ASSOCIATION FOR DANCING INC	\$800
PALMERSTON ATHLETIC CLUB INC	\$400
PALMERSTON COLLEGE	\$4,900
PALMERSTON CRICKET CLUB INC	\$12,157
PALMERSTON CROCS NETBALL CLUB	\$8,000
PALMERSTON FOOTBALL CLUB INC	\$28,100
PALMERSTON GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB INC	\$2,400
PALMERSTON HOBBY CERAMICS	\$100
PALMERSTON MAGPIES INC	\$21,000
PALMERSTON POLOCROSSE CLUB INC	\$5,000
PALMERSTON RAIDERS RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB	\$23,900
PALMERSTON RUGBY UNION CLUB	\$11,700
PAPUNYA SCHOOL	\$20,358
PARTY PASSPORT	\$20,000
PENSIONERS WORKSHOP ASSOCIATION INC	\$4,245
PEPPIMENARTI SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$8,701
PERENTIE JIU JITSU / NICHOLAS GOODE	\$3,500
PERFORMING ARTS CONNECTIONS AUSTRALIA	\$13,760
PIDGEON HOLE SCHOOL	\$5,965
PINE CREEK SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$9,900
PINT CRICKET CLUB INC	\$1,000
PINTS NETBALL CLUB INC	\$11,800
PIONEER FOOTBALL CLUB INC	\$5,927
PISTOL NT INC	\$35,227
PNG - DARWIN CULTURAL GROUP INC	\$1,200
PONY CLUB ASSOCIATION OF NT	\$35,227
PORT DARWIN SOCCER CLUB	\$15,300

Grant Recipients	Amount
PROBUS CLUB OF CHARLES DARWIN	\$5,200
PROBUS CLUB OF STUART ALICE SPRINGS INC	\$600
PROGRESSIVE COMBAT CENTRE	\$1,300
PUJA AND CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF NT (PACANT) INC	\$2,350
QUALITY PLUMBING & BUILDING CONTRACTORS PTY LTD	\$377,127
RAMINGINING SCHOOL COUNCIL INC	\$15,748
READY SET SWIM PTY LTD	\$7,700
RECLINK AUSTRALIA	\$33,500
RED CENTRE BMX CLUB	\$12,800
RED DIRT PTY LTD ATF GAGMAN PRABAMAN TRUST	\$3,399
RED HOT ARTS CENTRAL AUSTRALIA INC	\$133,655
REIKO MARTIAL ARTS	\$7,700
RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA NT INC	\$62,000
RICK CREATIVE	\$22,000
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ALICE SPRINGS INC	\$41,796
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED IN THE TOP END	\$80,446
RINCE NA H'EIREANN DARWIN IRISH DANCE ASSOCIATION INC	\$3,700
RIRRATJINGU ABORIGINAL CORP	\$36,500
RIX KIX ARTS	\$7,000
ROAR ART DESIGNS NT	\$15,955
ROBINSON RIVER SCHOOL	\$6,913
ROD & RIFLE PTY LTD	\$16,000
RODEO PROMOTIONS NT LTD	\$2,323
ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL	\$1,118,988
ROVERS FOOTBALL CLUB INC	\$600
ROVERS NETBALL CLUB	\$12,600
ROYAL EXISTENCE	\$31,900
ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICES OF AUSTRALIA CENTRAL OPERATIO+	\$20,000
ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY AUSTRALIA NT BRANCH INC	\$700,042
RUBY GAEA CENTRE	\$89,000
RURAL ATHLETICS CENTRE	\$8,265
SAM'S DANCE STUDIO	\$74,400
SANDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL	\$800
SATELLITE CITY BMX CLUB INC	\$7,800
SAVANNA SOLUTIONS	\$2,000
SAVE THE CHILDREN AUSTRALIA	\$173,585
SCOUTS NT	\$86,851
SEASONS NETBALL CLUB	\$5,300
SENIORS OF EXCELLENCE NTY INC	\$2,000
SHEPHERDSON COLLEGE SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$118,400
SHIMJANG TAEKWONDO	\$1,300
SHY CHAMELEON DRAMA CO	\$2,500
SIKH ASSOCIATION OF NT INC	\$7,500

Grant Recipients	Amount
SKIPPING NT	\$35,227
SLIDE YOUTH DANCE THEATRE	\$2,400
SNAICC-NATIONAL VOICE FOR OUR CHILDREN (ABORIGINAL AND TORR	\$74,171
SNAP FITNESS CASUARINA	\$2,100
SNAP FITNESS COOLALINGA	\$1,300
SNAP FITNESS PARAP	\$1,700
SOFTBALL NT	\$112,237
SOUTH ALICE SPRINGS SPORTING CLUB INC	\$2,400
SOUTH DARWIN RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB	\$6,600
SOUTH DARWIN RUGBY UNION CLUB INC	\$2,400
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS CRICKET CLUB	\$14,000
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS CROCS NETBALL CLUB	\$17,500
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS FOOTBALL CLUB	\$33,200
SRI LANKA AUSTRALIA FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION	\$1,800
SRI LANKAN ASSOCIATION OF ALICE SPRINGS INC	\$4,400
SRI LANKAN DANCE ACADEMY OF DARWIN	\$600
ST JOHN AMBULANCE AUSTRALIA INC	\$2,000
ST MARY'S FOOTBALL SPORTING & SOCIAL CLUB	\$18,100
ST MARY'S HOCKEY CLUB INC	\$10,600
ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (NT) INC	\$1,158,116
STEPHEN ATHERTON T/A DARWIN MUSIC SCHOOL	\$4,600
STEPS GROUP AUSTRALIA LTD	\$3,000
STORMBIRDS SOCCER CLUB	\$10,300
STUDIO 27 DANCE CO	\$5,600
STUDIO B SCHOOL OF DANCE	\$21,700
STUDIO ELEVENLEE CATHRYN BUSSEY	\$2,000
SURF LIFE SAVING NT INC	\$150,924
SWAMPDOGS RUGBY UNION CLUB NT INC	\$13,600
SWIM DYNAMICS DARWIN	\$49,200
SWIMMING NT INC	\$109,837
T&J CONTRACTORS	\$1,485,917
TABLE TENNIS NT	\$35,227
TACTILE ARTS	\$76,048
TAIWANESE COMMUNITY OF THE NT	\$1,000
TAMIL SOCIETY NT	\$7,300
TANGENTYERE COUNCIL ABORIGINAL CORP	\$13,388,859
TANGSOO PTY LTD	\$7,300
TARA ACADEMY	\$9,700
TARNTIPI HOMELANDS ABORIGINAL CORP	\$5,000
TEGS-DARWIN LANGUAGES CENTRE	\$37,400
TENNANT CREEK MOB ABORIGINAL CORP	\$311,403
TENNANT CREEK SENIOR CITIZENS & PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION INC	\$1,820
TENNANT CREEK WOMEN'S REFUGE INC	\$1,884,030

Grant Recipients	Amount
TENNIS ALICE SPRINGS	\$14,300
TENNIS NT	\$250,402
TERRITORY GYMNASTICS ACADEMY INC	\$46,200
TERRITORY QUAD ASSOCIATION	\$4,621
TERRITORY XTREME COWBOY RACING	\$200
THAMARRURR DEVELOPMENT CORP LTD	\$756,735
THAMARRURR YOUTH INDIGENOUS CORP	\$142,565
THANGKENHARENGE ABORIGINAL CORP	\$241,256
THE ALICE SPRINGS THEATRE GROUP INC	\$200
THE ARNHAM LAND PROGRESS ABORIGINAL CORP	\$573,014
THE COUNCIL OF BARKER COLLEGE - DHUPUMA BARKER	\$6,340
THE DARWIN SAILING CLUB INC	\$8,671
THE ELEANOR DARK FOUNDATION	\$16,600
THE EQUALITY INSTITUTE	\$176,428
THE FINCH CAFE	\$1,050
THE FLOURISH COLLECTIVE	\$6,100
THE GAP YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE ABORIGINAL CORP	\$1,632,656
THE HELLENIC ATHLETIC CLUB INC	\$13,100
THE HUB OF RESPECT	\$2,000
THE JIU JITSU STUDIO DARWIN	\$12,600
THE KOREAN ASSOCIATION IN AUSTRALIA NT INC	\$5,400
THE NT TENPIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION INC	\$35,227
THE TOP ENDER TRI-SERVICES MAGAZINE	\$4,500
THE TRUSTEE FOR THE SALVATION ARMY (NT) PROPERTY TRUST	\$4,661,814
THE YMCA OF THE NT YOUTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES LTD	\$1,864,073
TIPPERARY STATION SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$4,538
TI-TREE SCHOOL	\$4,781
TIWI EDUCATION BOARD INC	\$13,263
TIWI ISLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL	\$650,962
TJUWANPA OUTSTATION RESOURCE CENTRE ABORIGINAL CORP	\$926,851
TOGETHER INC (DARWIN TOGETHER)	\$600
TOP END CALISTHENICS CLUB INC	\$11,400
TOP END DIRT KARTS	\$2,900
TOP END DRUM RUNNERS	\$1,700
TOP END INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE	\$400
TOP END JUDO ACADEMY INC	\$1,800
TOP END MOTOR CROSS CLUB INC	\$1,900
TOP END PRACTICAL SHOOTING LEAGUE INC	\$4,841
TOP END PRIDE (NT) INC	\$5,000
TOP END ROAD RACING ASSOCIATION INC	\$235,000
TOP END SWIM SCHOOL	\$4,700
TOP END TENNIS NT PTY LTD	\$30,875
TOP END WOMANS LEGAL SERVICE INC	\$198,875

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TOTAL RECREATION NT INC	\$272,293
TOUCH FOOTBALL AUSTRALIA INC	\$208,124
TRACKS DANCE COMPANY	\$214,993
TRACY VILLAGE CRICKET CLUB INC	\$11,500
TRACY VILLAGE FALCONS NETBALL CLUB	\$4,200
TRACY VILLAGE FOOTBALL CLUB	\$1,100
TRACY VILLAGE REBELS BASEBALL CLUB	\$500
TRADITIONAL SHOTOKAN KARATE FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA (DARWIN)	\$600
TRANSPOSE MUSIC STUDIO PTY LTD	\$10,400
TRAVELLING TADPOLE PTY LTD	\$49,600
TRIATHLON ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY	\$111,537
TRILEMMA GRAPPLING	\$1,200
TRIPLE S: SAM'S SWIM SCHOOL	\$40,566
TUCKEY ILLUSTRATIONS	\$4,091
U3A ALICE SPRINGS INC	\$500
UMNT INC	\$192,228
UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA NT	\$7,000
UNIVERSITY BULLS CRICKET CLUB INC	\$3,058
UNIVERSITY PIRATES RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB	\$3,900
URAPUNTJA ABORIGINAL CORP	\$2,065,840
USEFUL PROJECTS	\$86,000
VARIETY NT STARFISH SWIM GROUP	\$8,300
VERDI FOOTBALL CLUB	\$14,291
VIBRANT DIVERSE CULTURES INC	\$5,000
VICTIMS OF CRIME NT INC	\$262,965
VICTORIA DALY REGIONAL COUNCIL	\$305,083
VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY IN AUSTRALIA - NT CHAPTER INC	\$4,650
VIKINGS FOOTBALL CLUB INC	\$9,200
VOLLEYBALL NT INC	\$35,227
VOLUNTEERING SA AND NT INC	\$100,000
WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL	\$39,482
WALANGERI NGUMPINKU ABORIGINAL CORP	\$20,000
WALTJA TJUTANGKU PALYAPAYI	\$2,000
WALUNGURRU SCHOOL	\$9,116
WANDERERS FOOTBALL & SPORTS CLUB INC	\$18,224
WARATAH CRICKET CLUB INC	\$2,300
WARATAH FOOTBALL CLUB INC	\$9,000
WARATAH HOCKEY CLUB INC	\$3,300
WARATAH JUNIOR NETBALL CLUB	\$7,300
WARDDEKEN LAND MANAGEMENT LTD	\$18,461
WARLPIRI YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ABORIGINAL CORP	\$108,145
WARNBI ABORIGINAL CORP - KAKADU	\$786,731
WATCH THIS SPACE INC	\$84,048

Grant Recipients	Amount
WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL	\$1,029,801
WEST CRICKET CLUB	\$2,000
WEST DALY REGIONAL COUNCIL	\$919,822
WESTS NETBALL CLUB	\$6,600
WESWIM	\$700
WILD NORTH ARTS	\$20,000
WILLOWRA SCHOOL	\$13,395
WOMEN'S MUSEUM OF AUSTRALIA INC	\$3,000
WOOLANING SCHOOL	\$9,848
WOOLIANNA PRIMARY SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$9,045
WORLD VISION AUSTRALIA	\$174,362
WURLI WURLINJANG HEALTH SERVICE	\$150,000
YALU ABORIGINAL CORP	\$668,418
YAPA-KURLANGU NGURRARA ABORIGINAL CORP	\$333,803
YARRALIN SCHOOL	\$9,082
YARRAMAN TERRITORY PTY LTD	\$27,650
YILLI RREUNG HOUSING ABORIGINAL CORP	\$3,601,069
YIPIRINYA SCHOOL COUNCIL	\$28,900
YIRRKALA COMMUNITY SCHOOL	\$8,444
YMCA OF THE NT	\$97,040
YOURTOWN	\$108,176
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT UNIT	\$2,000
YUENDUMU SCHOOL	\$260,000
YUGUL MANGI DEVELOPMENT ABORIGINAL CORP	\$738,521
YULARA SCHOOL	\$9,169
YUNS TAEKWONDO ACADEMY ALICE SPRINGS	\$2,900
YWCA AUSTRALIA	\$3,657,848
ZESTY PRODUCTIONS	\$35,980
ZONE 3 DARWIN	\$2,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$303,498,791</b>

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