# South Australia

# NATIONAL AGREEMENT ON SOCIAL HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS - BILATERAL SCHEDULE

Table 1: Form	alities and operatio	n of sched	dule		2		,
Parties	Commonwealth South Australia						
Duration	This Schedule will commence when the Commonwealth and South Australia sign the schedule, and is expected to expire on 30 June 2029. It will be reviewed by 30 June 2026. It can also be changed at any time with the agreement of both parties.						
Purpose	This Schedule will help people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and support the effective operation of South Australia's social housing and homelessness services sectors.  In committing to this Schedule, the Parties acknowledge their mutual interest in preventing homelessness and improving social housing in South Australia, with particular regard to people experiencing disproportionate housing inequality and disadvantage.						
Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to South Australia of \$625.05m in respect of this Schedule.						
	Table 1 (\$ million)	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	Total
	- General Funding - Specified Homelessness	95.42 24.26	97.62 24.82	99.77 25.36	101.76 25.87	103.80 26.39	498.37 126.69
	Funding South Australia- matched homelessness funding	24.26	24.82	25.36	25.87	26.39	126.69
	Note: Totals subject to cha	ange based on	parameter up	dates.			
Outputs	Housing and Homelessness Strategy  South Australia meets the requirements of clause 18(a) of the Agreement through the following publicly available documents:						

• Our Housing Future 2020 – 2030

https://www.housing.sa.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0003/1306 92/Our-Housing-Future-2020-2030.pdf

• A Better Housing Future (February 2023)

https://www.treasury.sa.gov.au/Growing-South-Australia/a-better-housing-future/A-Better-Housing-Future-February-2023.pdf

South Australian Aboriginal Housing Strategy 2021 - 2031
 https://www.housing.sa.gov.au/news-and-publications/publications/sa\_aboriginal-housing-strategy

These strategies set out the following reforms and initiatives that will contribute to reducing homelessness:

- Refer to page 16 of *Our Housing Future 2020 2030*, Strategy 4: Prevent and reduce homelessness through targeted and tailored responses.
- Refer to page 14 of the South Australian Aboriginal Housing Strategy 2021 2031, Strategy Pillar 4: Homelessness and crisis services: making more safe places to stay when and where you need them.

The disproportionate disadvantage faced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is addressed through the 6 strategic pillars identified in the *South Australian Aboriginal Housing Strategy* 2021 – 2031.

Other cohorts facing disproportionate disadvantage in South Australia are: people living with disability; older and younger people; and people with complex needs, including those exiting institutional care.

• The strategy addresses disadvantage for these cohorts through Strategy 3 (refer to page 15 of *Our Housing Future 2020 – 2030*): Create housing pathways to enable people to access housing and services as their needs change.

Demand for housing in South Australia is affected by stronger than anticipated population growth in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, and residential vacancy rates remain at historically low levels. The pandemic and Russia-Ukraine war led to delays with materials and supplies which impacted construction timeframes.

• South Australia will respond to changes in the demand for housing through the initiatives outlined in <u>A Better Housing Future</u> (February 2023).

South Australia has announced changes to housing stock as follows:

- Stopping the sale of 580 public housing properties earmarked to support financial viability.
- Investing in the major upgrade of 350 empty properties so they can return to rental stock.
- Building 564 new public housing dwellings.
- The combination of these initiatives and a \$232.7 million State Government investment will result in an additional 1144 households living in public housing by 30 June 2025 compared to previous plans.

Refer to A Better Housing Future for more details.

#### **National Outcomes Framework**

South Australia will meet the requirements of clause 18(b) by reporting against the indicators in the National Outcomes Framework (Schedule A of the Agreement). This will include at a minimum, the compulsory measures.

# Compulsory measures

#### Homelessness

- Number of unassisted requests for services, split by accommodation and other services
- Number and proportion of clients with an identified need for services who were not provided or referred to those services, split by accommodation and other services
- Number and proportion of clients at risk of homelessness who receive assistance and avoid homelessness
- Number and proportion of clients who return to homelessness after achieving housing

# Social housing

Number of social housing dwellings at 30 June: public housing,
 SOMIH, community housing and Indigenous community housing, all programs

- Change in the number of social housing dwellings from previous year
- Proportion of overcrowded households: public housing, SOMIH, community housing and Indigenous community housing, all programs
- Proportion of households with at least four working facilities and not more than two major structural problems: public housing, SOMIH, community housing and Indigenous community housing, all programs

# Other (non-compulsory) measures

South Australia will **not** report against the following non-compulsory measures in the National Outcomes Framework:

- Percentage of greatest need allocations as a proportion of all new allocations
- Number of upgrades to social housing dwellings (capital expenditure only)
- Number and proportion of customers who are satisfied with the service they receive from homelessness service providers
- Number of people experiencing homelessness per 10,000 people in the population
- Number and proportion of clients who were homeless at the first presentation who are in stable housing at the end of support

# Other state-specific measures

South Australia will also report against the following optional measures:

- Proportion of renting households in the bottom two income quintiles paying more than 30% of income on rent
- Number of people experiencing homelessness who present to homelessness services

The details of reporting arrangements may change as the reporting arrangements for the outcomes framework for the National Plan on Housing and Homelessness are developed.

Where possible, data will reflect the methodology and reporting periods used for existing reports to minimise duplication of reporting efforts.

# Statements of Assurance

	South Australia will report annually how they have met the requirements of the Agreement using the template in the Agreement (Schedule B).
	Due to different accounting processes for budget allocations and year- end financial reporting requirements, forecast / allocated figures will be estimated for the purpose of Statement of Assurance reporting.
Additional terms	This Schedule is an agreement that is a supplementary housing agreement for the purposes of Section 15C of the Federal Financial Relations Act 2009 (Cth) (the FFR Act) (Clause 9 of the primary agreement refers).

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

The Monourable Julie Collins MP

Minister for Housing
Minister for Homelessness
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**Signed** for and on behalf of the State of South Australia by

The Honourable Nick Champion MP

Minister for Housing and Urban Development, Minister for Housing

Infrastructure,

Minister for Planning

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