

The Commonwealth Accessible Australia initiative – Tranche One

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – AFFORDABLE HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND OTHER

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule

Parties	Commonwealth Australian Capital Territory
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 April 2028
Purpose	<p>This Schedule will support the delivery of the one (1) accessible amenity listed at Attachment A, with a total of \$137,162.80 (GST exclusive) being provided to the ACT Government in 2025-26. The agreed accessible amenities are comprised of:</p> <p>The following accessible infrastructure, eligible for up to 50% build cost contribution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fixed-place Changing Places within the Southside Hydrotherapy Pool, Tuggeranong, in the Australian Capital Territory at \$49,046.00. <p>Accessible infrastructure is an essential service that enables people with high support needs to actively participate in their community and will enhance community accessibility.</p> <p>The ACT Government has committed to cumulative 3 accessible amenities from financial years 2022-2023 through 2025-2026. As such, the Commonwealth agrees to provide the ACT Government with a one-off payment to support resourcing as part of the Project Coordination Fund. This will be offered as part of this Federation Funding Agreement and aligns with the first eligible financial year in which the minimum facility requirement was met.</p> <p>This supplement will support the ACT Government resourcing to manage the construction of funded accessible amenities and support the delivery of the Commonwealth's Accessible Australia initiative.</p> <p>The eligible projects committed by the Government of Australian Capital Territory are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Location 1: FY2022-23, Canberra Hospital Expansion Project, Woden Valley Community Council, Changing Places facility, commenced November 2023, due for completion August 2024. Location 2: FY2024-25, initially installed at Commonwealth Park, Changing Places facility, portable, procured August 2024, completed August 2024. Location 3: 2025-26, Southside Hydrotherapy Pool, Tuggeranong Combined Community Council, Changing Places facility, commenced February 2025, due for completion July 2025.

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Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide a total financial contribution to the ACT Government of \$137,162.80 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule as follows:		
	Table 1	2025-26 (GST exclusive)	Total (GST exclusive)
	Estimated Total Budget	\$137,162.80	\$137,162.80
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1 build of fixed-place Changing Places	\$24,523.00	\$24,523.00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">One-off payment to support resourcing through the Project Coordination Fund	\$112,639.80	\$112,639.80
	Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions toward accessible infrastructure:		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The ACT Government	\$39,618.00	\$39,618.00
Additional terms	<ol style="list-style-type: none">To support an increase in jurisdictions' uptake of the Accessible Australia initiative, The ACT Government is eligible for the amount in Table 1 once the Commonwealth and the ACT Government have signed this schedule and the Commonwealth has accepted the completed milestones for payment as detailed in Table 2.The build commencement of each proposed amenity must occur within 12 months of receiving Commonwealth funding for that amenity. The final date for commencement of construction may be no later than 12 months from initial Commonwealth payment. Final dates for commencement of construction are as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Location 1– 8 September 2026The project must be completed within 18 months of build commencement. Any anticipated delays or slippages to build completion must be reported to the Commonwealth.Should one or all project/s funded in this agreement be unable to achieve the deliverables and/or requirements of this agreement within the agreed timeframe, the ACT Government agrees to work with the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing to find an alternative project within the ACT to reallocate received Commonwealth funding for alternative accessible infrastructure. Should this be unachievable the ACT Government will be asked to return Commonwealth funds for the affected amenity to the Commonwealth, on request from the Commonwealth.The Commonwealth Government is providing up to 100% of the funding required to build and/or purchase each agreed accessible infrastructure amenity as per the funding commitment (Commonwealth contribution amounts stated at Attachment A).The ACT Government will be responsible for coordinating all remaining funding, including:		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any subsequent increase in costs associated with build; • Supporting infrastructure outside of build specifications; • Ongoing and maintenance costs of each accessible amenity build under this agreement; • Installation of security for each accessible amenity built under this agreement (where deemed necessary by the relevant jurisdiction). <p>5. The ACT Government will also be responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring build has commenced within 12 months of receiving the first instalment of Commonwealth funding; • Project/s are completed within 18 months of build commencement. • Ensuring all accessible amenities are listed on the relevant mapping tool within 60 days of build/purchase completion. <p>6. For Changing Places facilities, both fixed-place and portable, the ACT Government will also be responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The cost of accreditation by a Changing Places assessor; • The cost of training of Changing Places assessors (if needed); • Ensuring Changing Places assessors are engaged prior to the construction of a Changing Places facility to assess project documentation and ensure correct design specifications are in place including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Schematic design review ○ Construction documentation review ○ As-built final review. • Ensuring each facility is accredited by a Changing Places assessor to ensure builds meet the performance requirements detailed in the <i>Changing Places Design Specifications 2020</i> and comply with the National Construction Code requirements for Accessible Adult Change Facilities; and • Ensuring all Changing Places facilities are registered on the National Public Toilet Map within 60 days of build completion.
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Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
Commonwealth approval of the project plan for each Accessible Australia amenity at Attachment A	<p>The ACT Government will provide the Commonwealth with one project plan per Accessible Australia amenity, outlining how the ACT Government will expend funding for each individual amenity to be built. Each plan must be provided by the due date requested by the Commonwealth, and will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location of each amenity; • Estimated costs; • Sub-contract arrangements; • Timeline, including commencement date, completion date and all other relevant implementation milestones; • When building Changing Places facilities, engagement details of Changing Places assessors and; • Any further details as deemed necessary by the Commonwealth. <p>Each project plan will specify the total build costs and financial contribution committed to each individual amenity.</p> <p>This milestone will be considered complete on a per amenity basis, subject to Commonwealth agreement to the relevant project plan.</p>	<p>8 August 2025 – due date for Commonwealth approval of each project plan. *If this milestone is met in advance of the due date, the Commonwealth may make the associated payment earlier than scheduled provided it falls within the same financial year as the original milestone date.</p>	<p>50% of Commonwealth contribution of each estimated build cost to be released on a per amenity basis, upon receipt and approval of project plan for each amenity up to the cumulative total of \$12,261.50</p> <p>(Commonwealth contribution amounts stated in Attachment A).</p>
Construction of Accessible Australia amenities at Attachment A	<p>As outlined in Additional Terms, the construction commencement for each amenity will commence within 12 months of receiving Commonwealth funding for the relevant amenity.</p> <p>The ACT Government Australian Capital Territory will provide the Commonwealth with evidence of construction commencement/proof of purchase for each</p>	<p>Within 12 months of receipt of first Commonwealth funding instalment for the relevant amenity.</p>	<p>50% of Commonwealth contribution to estimated build cost to be released on a per facility basis, upon receipt and approval of</p>

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	<p>amenity, within 12 months of initial payment. For fixed Changing Places and accessible paths evidence should consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A written statement that construction has commenced; • Photographic evidence of construction commencement. <p>For all other amenities, evidence should consist of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A written statement that the amenity has been purchased/ordered; • Proof of purchase. <p>This milestone will be considered complete on a per facility basis, subject to Commonwealth receipt and approval of satisfactory evidence.</p>		<p>construction commencement evidence and/or confirmation of purchase up to the cumulative total of \$12,261.50</p>
	<p>As outlined in Additional Terms, the project must be completed within 18 months of build commencement.</p>	<p>Within 18 months of commencement of the physical construction of the build.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
	<p>The ACT Government will provide a 6-monthly progress report until completion of the project. This report will include information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key milestones • Build progress • Costings • Successes/Challenges <p>The ACT Government will inform the Commonwealth in writing as soon as practicably possible of any issues related to the compliance with this agreement, including delays with agreed milestones.</p> <p>The ACT Government will provide a final report on the successful completion and accreditation of the Accessible Australia amenities built and ready for community access within 60 days of completion of the build.</p>	<p>15 February & 15 August of each year until the completion of the project.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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	<p>The ACT will seek Commonwealth approval of all announcements of Accessible Australia amenities and all related communications and media products prior to circulation. The ACT will also provide the Commonwealth with advanced notice of any proposed opening events for Accessible Australia amenities.</p> <p>For Changing Places facilities, the ACT Government will provide the Commonwealth with a copy of the certificate of compliance upon completion.</p> <p>For Changing Places facilities, the ACT Government will notify the Commonwealth in writing once the Changing Places facilities have been listed on the National Public Toilet Map.</p>		
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The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

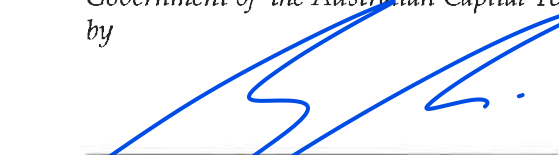
Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth
of Australia by



The Honourable Jenny McAllister
Minister for the National Disability Insurance
Scheme

16 / 7 / 2025

Signed for and on behalf of the
Government of the Australian Capital Territory
by



Ms Suzanne Orr MLA
Minister for Disability, Carers and Community
Services

04 / 08 / 2025

Attachment A

For 50% Commonwealth contribution to build cost:

The following **fixed-place Changing Places** will be constructed per this agreement:

- **Location 1:**

Proposed Address: 34 Oakden Street, Greenway Australian Capital Territory
2900

Relevant LGA: Tuggeranong Combined Community Council (CCCACT)

Percentage of the build cost this facility is eligible up to: 50%

Total Eligible Build Cost: A total of \$49,046.00 (GST exclusive)

Commonwealth Contribution: \$24,523.00 (GST exclusive)

State/territory Contribution: \$39,618.00 (GST exclusive)