

Strengthening Community Safety in Central Australia (law enforcement operations)

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – AFFORDABLE HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND OTHER

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule	
Parties	Commonwealth Northern Territory
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 31 December 2025.
Purpose	<p>This Schedule will support a range of measures aimed at reducing alcohol-related harm and enhancing community safety in Alice Springs and the Central Australian region.</p> <p>On 29 April 2024, an additional \$14.2 million was announced to extend the program by 18 months to 31 December 2025.</p> <p>This Schedule covers off on a number of law-enforcement initiatives announced as part of this investment which will target grog running, increase monitoring of alcohol restrictions, strengthen liquor licensing compliance efforts and community safety in public places in Alice Springs.</p> <p>Specifically, this schedule will provide the Northern Territory with funding over four financial years for the engagement of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 FTE additional Liquor inspectors, and • 2 FTE additional compliance officers

Estimated financial contributions

The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the Northern Territory of \$2.204 million in respect of this Schedule.

Table 1					
(\$ million)	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Total
Estimated total budget	0.6	0.750	0.350	0.504	2.204
<i>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</i>	0.6	0.750	0.350	0.504	2.204
Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
5 Additional Liquor inspectors and 2 compliance officers (Specified personnel)	Execution of agreement		\$600,000 (Paid in May 2023)
	Project Plan from the Northern Territory Government, accepted by the Commonwealth, that details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed project plan, activities and outcomes. • An overview of what regular culturally appropriate and workplace specific training will be undertaken by the specified personnel. • A proposed timeline for the recruitment and deployment of the specified personnel. 	No longer than 7 June 2023	\$250,000 (Paid in October 2023)
	Bi-annual report from the Northern Territory Government, accepted by the Commonwealth (on the template agreed by the Commonwealth and NT Government), detailing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the plan is being implemented to date. • The progress of the recruitment and retention of staff for the additional positions • The culturally appropriate and workplace specific training that has been undertaken to date by the specified personnel. • The total number of hours worked by the additional specified personnel since the last reporting period, including the locations (e.g. Alice Springs) they were stationed. • Proportion of the specified personnel that identify as a First Nations person. • Project expenditure to date, including breakdown of expenditure across activities and outcomes aligned to the project plan. 	31 January 2024	\$500,000 (Paid May 2024)
2024-25 to 2025-26			
5 Additional Liquor inspectors and 2 compliance officers (Specified personnel)	Progress Report from the Northern Territory Government, accepted by the Commonwealth, detailing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the project plan is being implemented to date • The progress of the recruitment and retention of staff for the additional positions • details of cultural awareness and anti-racism training provided to officers deployed in Central Australia • The total number of hours worked by the additional specified personnel since the last reporting period, including the locations (e.g. Alice Springs) they were stationed 	30 August 2024	\$100,000

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The total number of checks completed (and details of any adverse outcomes) Proportion of the specified personnel that identify as First Nations, and Project expenditure to date, including breakdown of expenditure across activities and outcomes aligned to the project plan. 		
Progress report , in accordance with the requirements above, accepted by the Commonwealth	29 November 2024	\$125,000
Progress report , in accordance with the requirements above, accepted by the Commonwealth	31 March 2025	\$125,000
Progress report , in accordance with the requirements above, accepted by the Commonwealth	31 July 2025	\$252,000
Final report from the Northern Territory Government, accepted by the Commonwealth, that details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Description of the project activities and outcomes including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of the project Any challenges in delivering the project as planned and, where appropriate, mitigations in line with project objectives Amount and type of culturally appropriate and workplace specific training that was provided to the specified personnel, and Any recommendations to improve future programs. Project expenditure over the life of the project, including breakdown of expenditure across activities and outcomes aligned to the project plan, and A Certificate of Practical Completion and certification of funds having been expended for the purposes that they were provided. 	19 December 2025	\$252,000

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

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by



The Honourable Mark Dreyfus KC MP
Attorney-General

12 / 7 / 2024

Signed for and on behalf of the Northern Territory by



The Honourable Brent Potter MLA
Minister for Police; Minister for Alcohol Policy

29 / 7 / 2024