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Introduction

This volume is dedicated to the centralised reporting of the ACT Government's significant community engagement and community support activities.

Drawing this information together is a demonstration of the ACT Government's 'one government' focus and its community-centred approach to developing programs and policies by actively engaging with, and supporting the broader community.

The ACT Government aims to ensure open, proactive and meaningful community engagement to enable Canberrans to actively contribute their views and opinions on issues that shape their city, their community and their suburbs. In most engagements a range of methods are used with the aim of encouraging participation from a broad cross-section of the community – ensuring residents can have their say in ways that are accessible and convenient – whether online or in person or a combination of both.

This volume provides information on the activities of directorates and agencies in supporting the community or community organisations through grants and financial assistance.

In supporting a wide range of individuals, organisations, projects and programs whether it is through the provision of grants, sponsorship or even in-kind support, it is our objective to enrich our community and ensure all Canberrans feel part of a dynamic and inclusive society.

The Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate collated the information within this volume for whole of government reporting purposes. All information has been provided by directorates and their associated public authorities. The information remains the responsibility of the agency's Director-General and has been approved by the relevant delegate.

ACT Government Community Engagement

During 2015-16 the ACT Government undertook a range of significant community engagement activities on projects detailed below by directorate.

Capital Metro Agency

Maintaining and strengthening relationships with a wide range of stakeholders was essential to the Capital Metro Agency's (CMA) role in delivering light rail for Canberra. This will continue now that the Agency has merged into the new Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS).

The CMA Stakeholder Engagement Strategy articulates the breadth of interested and engaged stakeholders in the design, construction and operation of Capital Metro. Our stakeholder community includes:

- > ministerial offices
- > ACT Public Service decision-making bodies
- > ACT residents, community groups, advocacy bodies, businesses and institutions
- > ACT and Commonwealth Government agencies and directorates.
- > Our primary client is the ACT community.

The CMA engages with the community in relation to the development of light rail. The CMA actively seeks out, considers and acts on the views of the community to deliver appropriate, high-quality and usable urban design outcomes. The CMA is committed to working together and developing strong relationships. It is this commitment that helps us understand community requirements. The tools used to engage the community were the same for each event. They included:

- > conversations with the community
- > flyers or factsheets
- > promotional items such as stickers, drink bottles and calico bags
- > large scale model tram (at some events).

Project	Summary
Malkara Model Railway Expo (1-2 August 2015)	Attendance at this event to raise awareness of the government's broader vision for Canberra; the light rail project's vision, benefits and opportunities reached audiences that may not normally engage with government agencies. Capital Metro Agency staff interacted with approximately 200 people over the weekend.
Bungendore Model Railway Expo (16-17 October 2015)	Attended this event to raise awareness of the government's broader vision for Canberra; the light rail project's vision, benefits and opportunities in an effort to reach audiences that may not normally engage with government agencies. Capital Metro Agency staff interacted with approximately 220 people over the weekend.
Multi-cultural festival (12-14 February 2016)	Attended this event to raise awareness of the government's broader vision for Canberra; the light rail project's vision, benefits and opportunities in an effort to reach audiences that may not normally engage with government agencies. Capital Metro Agency staff attended the event on the Saturday only and interacted with approximately 100 people.
Canberra Show	Attended this event to raise awareness of the government's broader vision for Canberra; the light rail project's vision, benefits and

(26-28 February 2016)

opportunities in an effort to reach audiences that may not normally engage with government agencies.

Capital Metro Agency staff interacted with approximately 900 people over the three days of the event.

Celebrate Gungahlin Festival
(2 April 2016)

Attended this event to raise awareness of the government's broader vision for Canberra; the light rail project's vision, benefits and opportunities in an effort to reach audiences that may not normally engage with government agencies.

Capital Metro Agency staff interacted with approximately 200 people.

Environmental Impact Statement
Consultation

An opportunity for those directly impacted by the first stage of light rail to comment on the Environmental Impact Statement as a part of a large infrastructure project.

This consultation commenced at the end of the 14-15 financial year and concluded in the 15-16 financial year. The events held within the reporting period were:

- > Dickson Library (4 July 2015)
- > Dickson Library (7 July 2015).

Place Manager Program

This was designed to enable the community to meet and regularly interact with members of the light rail project team.

Place managers were a key liaison point between the community and Capital Metro Agency. They were able to assist the community by answering questions, sharing project updates and addressing any concerns the community may have had about the project.

The place managers were available for appointments at any time and were often in key locations along the light rail corridor, like the Civic Library, to talk to the community about the project. They also undertook many presentations to local community organisations like seniors groups and men sheds.

Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

The Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) is committed to ensuring open, proactive and meaningful communications and community engagement. The significance and diversity of issues and projects for which the directorate is responsible, is reflected in the both the opportunities and methods for community engagement.

Our approach is focused on:

- > collaborating and integrating early with project teams to achieve project objectives
- > developing comprehensive community engagement strategies and
- > tailoring activities to specific target audiences and project goals.

The Directorate is guided by the principles and values based on those of the International Association for Public Participation, IAP2.

Over the past year the Directorate embraced the opportunity to be innovative in how it engages with the community. Opportunities were seized to communicate and interact with new audiences, including those who are increasingly turning to social media and online platforms for their information. Events such as Pop-up Cabinet and Periscope Cabinet conducted via Twitter enabled the Canberra Community to directly interact with Ministers in a way that was most convenient for them.

The Canberra Brickworks Precinct proposal also presented an opportunity to try a community engagement approach that had not been used in the ACT before. The Land Development Agency (LDA) established a community panel to develop precinct objectives for the site, a collaborative process that successfully re-established trust with key project stakeholders.

The Asbestos Response Taskforce continued to take a proactive approach to educating and informing the community around this significant issue and the response being implemented to address it. In 2015-16 the Taskforce expanded its engagement activities from those most directly affected to the broader community as the demolition program has rolled out across Canberra. This incorporated a number of engagement methods ranging from the traditional through to social impact assessments of highly affected areas to enable tailored engagement such as doorknocking and suburb- specific events.

CHIEF MINISTER'S STREAM

ACCESS CANBERRA

Project	Summary
Customer Satisfaction Survey	<p>In February and March of each year Access Canberra conducts a customer satisfaction survey.</p> <p>The purpose of this engagement allows Access Canberra to report on its new service delivery methods being a “no wrong door” approach to its services and to make it easier for businesses, community groups and individuals to get their business done in the ACT.</p>

For the customer survey undertaken in 2016, 602 individuals and 346 business were surveyed:

- > 51 percent of survey respondents were aware of Access Canberra (up from 20 percent in 2015)
- > 87 percent of customers are happy with our customer service (steady with 2015 result)
- > 91 percent of people said it is easy to do business with Access Canberra.
- > This was a six percentage point improvement from 2015, indicating that Access Canberra is making it easier to do business with government.

Client Assessment Surveys

Access Canberra conducts Client Assessments for Compliance areas every week.

In this case the clients are those people that compliance inspectors have dealt with in their day-to-day work.

The questions asked while conducting the survey reflect the Access Canberra principles of engagement and education.

Each quarter a report is compiled with the overall findings of the survey as well as the results for each business unit. From this information Access Canberra is able to determine where we are doing well and where improvements are required.

Each quarter's results are compared with the previous quarters by way of a graph. In the 2015-16 reporting period approximately 2,900 clients were contacted to participate with a 98 percent satisfaction rate.

ACT Gambling and Racing Commission

Project

Summary

Gambling Advisory Reference Group

The Gambling Advisory Reference Group draws views and opinions across a broad section of organisations in the ACT. There are nine members of the group representing community organisations and areas of the ACT Government. It generally meets twice per year to discuss topical gambling and racing issues including problem gambling and harm minimisation approaches.

Gambling Industry Consultative Committee

The Gambling Industry Consultative Committee provides an opportunity for the Commission to consult directly with gaming and wagering industries. It includes representatives from ACT gambling licensees, industry stakeholders and ACT Government. Its twelve members generally meet twice per year to discuss regulatory and compliance issues as well as proposed gambling and racing policy changes.

Problem Gambling Assistance Fund Advisory Committee

The Problem Gambling Assistance Fund Advisory Committee provides advice and oversight of the projects administered under the Fund. Its six members include representatives from ACT gambling providers, the community sector and ACT Government. It meets as necessary, generally on a quarterly basis, to discuss current and potential future projects under the Fund.

ASBESTOS RESPONSE TASKFORCE

Project	Summary
Loose-Fill Asbestos Insulation Eradication Scheme	<p>Continuing the series of engagement opportunities provided to the homeowners, tenants and the community since its establishment, the Taskforce has hosted a series of public forums and meetings, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > two community forums (northside and southside) held in July 2015 for affected homeowners and the community with a focus on the scheme, demolition process and health concerns > two community meetings (northside and southside) held in August 2015 providing information about the demolition process > two community drop-in sessions (northside and southside) held in September 2015 providing an open forum for individualised face-to-face conversations > two Asbestos Management Plan information sessions (northside and southside) held in January 2016 to provide an opportunity for homeowners still residing in their affected property to understand the requirements of new legislation. <p>With the commencement of the demolition program, the Taskforce went into the field during July 2015 to talk with and survey neighbours in order to understand their experience and concerns and inform the development of materials and engagement activities.</p> <p>From this work the Taskforce has developed a suite of engagement materials that, with the support of ACT Property Group and the demolition head contractors, keeps neighbours informed throughout the process - from acquisition of the affected property, through the demolition works to deregistration and sale.</p> <p>These materials along with suburb analysis and targeted engagement activities aim to provide neighbours with a complete information experience.</p> <p>To this end, the Taskforce has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > delivered more than 4000 letters to neighbours of affected properties > doorknocked more than 700 neighbours of high-rated clusters of affected properties providing the opportunity to discuss concerns face-to-face > hosted a Neighbour Day community celebration held in April 2016 in Kambah, with approximately 300 people attending > held a drop-in information session at Curtin shops in May 2016 providing an opportunity for residents of Curtin and Lyons to discuss the demolition activity occurring in their suburbs. <p>The Taskforce has also been available at established community events providing further opportunities for the broader community to ask questions and remain informed.</p> <p>During 2015-16 the Taskforce set up information stands at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > "Parties at the Shops" in Erindale, Kaleen, Hall and Garran > the Tuggeranong Festival. <p>Additionally, during the 2015-16 year, the Taskforce attended nine Community Council meetings, reaching approximately 100 people, to provide status updates on the program and understand and address community concerns.</p> <p>These enhanced engagement activities supported the more traditional</p>

approaches, including website, Facebook and an e-newsletter (with a reach of 2700).

Most recently an online neighbour survey was added to the suite of engagement options, with 67 responses received since it commenced in March 2016.

This comprehensive range of engagement activities and opportunities has assisted Canberrans to understand the significant work being undertaken in their community. It has allowed the Taskforce to be aware of individual challenges being faced by the community members and to seek to minimise inconvenience and disruption.

COMMUNICATIONS

Project	Summary
Pop-up Cabinets in Woden, Belconnen, Gungahlin, Tuggeranong and Weston Creek	<p>In 2015-16, ACT Government Cabinet members hosted five 'Pop-up Cabinets' around Canberra. These events were an opportunity for Cabinet to meet directly with local communities to discuss the issues that matter most to them.</p> <p>The Pop-up Cabinet format was a new and innovative way to engage with Canberrans and to make it as easy as possible for the public to meet and speak with their Ministers.</p> <p>During each two-day Pop-up Cabinet (Woden, Belconnen, Gungahlin and Tuggeranong) there were a range of opportunities for the community to meet and speak with their Ministers. The tools used to engage with the community are outlined below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">> Woden – 2-3 September, 2015. Speed-meet the Minister session, Woden Business Forum, Community Services Roundtable, and an ACT Government stand (staffed by Ministers and their staff) in Westfield Woden> Belconnen – 2-3 December, 2015. Speed-meet the Minister session, ACT Government stand (staffed by Access Canberra staff) in Westfield Belconnen> Gungahlin – 3-4 February, 2016. Speed-meet the Minister session, Gungahlin Business Forum> Tuggeranong – 2-3 March, 2016. Speed-meet the Minister session> Weston Creek – 12 May, 2016. The Weston Creek Pop-up Cabinet was focussed on a series of media events <p>Ministers also did a range of tours and meet and greets with local businesses and schools during each Pop-up Cabinet, along with a number of media events.</p> <p>A total of 61 people registered to participate in the formal events scheduled as part of each Pop-up Cabinet, and an additional 25 people are likely to have engaged with the ACT Government stands at Westfield in Woden and Belconnen. In addition, Ministers also participated in a range of tours and meet and greets with local businesses and schools during each Pop-up Cabinet, which would have involved close to 100 additional participants.</p> <p>A breakdown of registrations for each Pop-up Cabinet is below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">> Woden – Speed meet the Minister session (18 individuals registered to attend, Woden Business Forum (seven people representing six local businesses registered to attend), Community

Services Roundtable (seven people representing six community service organisations registered to attend).

- > **Belconnen** –Speed meet the Minister session (eight individuals registered to attend).
- > **Gungahlin** – Speed meet the Minister session (eight individuals registered to attend), Gungahlin Business Forum (eight people representing six local businesses registered to attend).
- > **Tuggeranong** – Speed meet the Minister session (five individuals registered to attend).
- > **Weston Creek** – Nil

Pop-up Cabinet allowed ACT Government Ministers to meet with individuals, businesses, community organisations, teachers, students, nurses, emergency services personnel and many others to discuss the issues that matter to them, and to see firsthand the important work that goes on throughout the community in a range of different sectors. Each of the engagements allowed Ministers to understand community concerns and how government can support them.

Periscope Cabinet

On Monday 31 August 2015 Cabinet hosted the world's first Periscope and Twitter Cabinet. This event kicked off a week of community engagement for the ACT Government, with the first Pop-up Cabinet held in Woden the same week.

In 2011 the ACT Government became the first jurisdiction to host a Twitter Cabinet, demonstrating the government's commitment to embracing innovation to connect with the community. Hosting Twitter Cabinet is another opportunity for the Canberra community to engage with Cabinet by providing an opportunity to speak directly with Ministers via Twitter.

Twitter Cabinet lasts for one hour, during which time members of the community can participate by either asking questions to Ministers directly or by following the hashtag. This makes it really easy for people who may not wish to ask a question directly to still be involved and engaged by following the conversation online and see what is being discussed.

In August 2015 the traditional Twitter Cabinet format was updated to make use of new technology, and was live streamed via the mobile application Periscope. The Periscope component allowed Canberrans, Australians and even people overseas to watch the proceedings of the evening live, and to ask questions via this platform as well. The Periscope feed was hosted by Amanda Whitley from HerCanberra, and it attracted 515 unique viewers throughout the hour.

During the August Twitter/Periscope Cabinet, 349 tweets were sent from 107 unique tweeters. During the hour Cabinet sent 72 responses back to the community, with 19 outstanding questions answered within the following days. Cabinet received and responded to questions on issues including making housing more accessible, the revitalisation of Tuggeranong, gaming regulation, road works, urban renewal projects, upgrades to local shops and town centres, parking and sports funding.

INDEPENDENT COMPETITION AND REGULATORY COMMISSION

Project	Summary
Review of Water and Sewerage Services Tariff Structure	<p>In 2015-16 the Commission released an Issues Paper as the first step in its review of Icon Water's water and sewerage services tariffs.</p> <p>In June 2016 two additional technical papers that examine the elasticity of demand for water and marginal cost pricing in the ACT were also released by the Commission as part of the review.</p> <p>We invited public comment in the form of submissions from interested parties. Notification of the consultation process was made through the media and on our website.</p> <p>We received seven submissions on the Issues Paper during the consultation process. Consideration of the submissions will form part of the draft report which is due for release in September 2016.</p>
Final Decision: Retail electricity price adjustment 2016-17 – standing offer prices for the supply of electricity to small customers	<p>In June 2016 the Commission released its final decision on regulated retail prices for ActewAGL Retail's small electricity customers from 1 July 2016.</p> <p>The price adjustment for 2016-17 is the annual adjustment which is made in accordance with the method set out in the Price Direction: Standing offer prices for the supply of electricity to small customers 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2017.</p> <p>Notification of the decision was made through the media and on our website.</p>
Regulated Water and Sewerage Services – 2016-17 Price Adjustment	<p>In June 2016 the Commission determined the maximum prices that Icon Water can charge for its regulated water and sewerage services from 1 July 2016. The report describes the price adjustment process for 2016-17, including details of the price calculations.</p> <p>Notification of the determination was made through the media and on our website.</p>
Seminar - South Australian Water – regulatory determination 2016	<p>In June 2016 the Commission hosted a seminar at which Adam Wilson, CEO of Essential Services Commission of South Australia (ESCOSA) spoke on the process and key outcomes of their SA Water Regulatory Determination.</p> <p>The Seminar was attended by 16 attendees from several ACT Government directorates, representatives from ActewAGL, Icon Water and NSW regulatory bodies.</p>

LONG SERVICE LEAVE AUTHORITY

Project	Summary
Long Service Leave registration and entitlement payments	<p>The Authority provides assistance to portable long service leave scheme employers to complete their registration, quarterly returns and payments; and to scheme employees to answer their inquiries and help with their long service leave entitlement claims.</p> <p>Employer assistance includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">> The Authority provides information to all employers in the administered schemes regarding levy rate and legislation changes, return and payment reminder, etc. throughout the year. Authority staff regularly engage with key industry stakeholders through attendance at a variety of workshops and forums to provide

information on the operation of the portable long service leave schemes.

Employee assistance includes:

- > Apprentice presentations are conducted to industry and CIT apprentices from time to time to ensure the apprentices are aware of their benefits under the *Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Act 2009*.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF DIGITAL OFFICER

Project	Summary
iConnect program	<p>In June 2016, iConnect conducted user focus groups to seek feedback on the first wave of new digital services (comprised of vehicle transactions), future online services, and the perception of Beta sites. A total of 21 participants attended across three sessions, representing seven stakeholder groups. User feedback was received on the look and feel of webpages, the accessibility and consistency of the language describing services, how future services align with user priorities, and how to present a Beta site to maximise customer uptake.</p> <p>iConnect has fed this into the design of new online services as one of its mechanisms towards delivering a user-centred digital experience.</p>
People Centred – Connected Care Project (PCCC)	<p>The People Centred – Connected Care exemplar project (PCCC) was a joint venture between the ACT Government and the Federal Government's Digital Transformation Office.</p> <p>Over a six-month period the project team conducted extensive user research with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">> 119 health consumers> 37 health staff> nine advocacy groups. <p>The user research was conducted in accordance with the ethics framework used by the Health Directorate and occurred in three phases:</p> <p>1: initial research was conducted to identify areas of opportunity for using digital technologies to improve the experience for people accessing and managing non-urgent outpatient and community-based health services across the ACT. Engagement took the form of phone interviews, face-to-face interviews and contextual enquiries.</p> <p>2: focus was narrowed to new parents and how they accessed and managed immunisation and health check appointments for their children. A number of options were presented to health consumers and their feedback sought on design, language used, usability and accessibility. This feedback was fed into the design of the final product.</p> <p>3: health consumers participated in testing of the final product, ensuring usability and accessibility.</p>

POLICY AND CABINET

Project	Summary
Regulatory Reform Panel	<p>The purpose of the Regulatory Reform Panel is to provide a consultative body for the ACT Government and industry to collaborate on reducing regulatory impediments to ACT businesses.</p> <p>Through the member organisations represented on the Panel, the department consults with ACT businesses on regulatory and government processes which impose unnecessary burdens, costs or disadvantages on business activities in the ACT.</p> <p>Meetings of the Panel are held regularly and additional forums with other industry groups, businesses or members are held as required.</p> <p>Panel membership in 2015-16 included the Canberra Business Chamber, the Council of Small Business Australia, the Australian Hotels Association (ACT) and Clubs ACT.</p> <p>The Panel informs the development of the annual Red Tape Reduction Bill and other regulatory reform projects.</p>
Single Licensing Framework	<p>The purpose of the engagement was to understand specific industry issues about the current process for business licensing and to provide an opportunity for business to co-design new legislation for licensing.</p> <p>The engagement included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">> online surveys of business> site visits> industry reference groups> consultation on policy papers and draft legislation. <p>Over 50 individual businesses were engaged throughout the process. A number of face-to-face round tables were also held for members of three industry reference groups.</p> <p>The co-design process involved the following industries which were part of the first phase of the single licensing project: car repairers and dealers, pawnbrokers and second hand dealers.</p> <p>The industry feedback informed the development of the Traders (Licensing) Bill 2016 which was introduced in the Legislative Assembly in June 2016.</p>
Taxi Industry Innovation Reform	<p>This engagement continued to inform and consult with relevant stakeholders on the Taxi Industry Innovation Reforms which commenced in 2014-15. More specifically, consultation was intended to solicit a wide range of views on an eventual policy and legislative framework that would enable increased consumer choices in a strong and sustainable on-demand transportation industry.</p> <p>The Directorate undertook a series of scheduled and ad hoc meetings with key industry peak bodies, commercial corporations, community advocacy groups (including ACTCOSS), independent contractors (such as taxi owners) and individuals. These engagements occurred throughout the development of new regulation. The Directorate also informed the community of the reforms, via web-based content, fact sheets, stakeholder letters, media releases, and social media channels.</p> <p>Since the commencement of initial reforms in October 2015, further targeted community engagement on regulatory reform and implementation has involved a dedicated Implementation Working Group and Stakeholder Forum (with more than 35 stakeholders approached). The engagement process saw a strong response from</p>

industry and community, as evidenced by a diversity of views on policy, commercial, micro-economic, and interest-group matters. More than 18 organisations contributed input to the entire reform process – many repeatedly.

The process is to ease the transition for industry and the community in what will be a substantially changed on-demand transport environment.

Public Transport Reform

Over 2015-16, Policy and Cabinet Division led the ACT Government's public transport reform agenda.

To assist this reform process, in August 2015 Policy and Cabinet Division consulted with the community on their views of public transport in the ACT. This included focus groups and a phone survey (n=1,000). This assisted with the development of the Public Transport Improvement Plan (released in October 2015) and the approach taken to establish Transport Canberra.

On 28 April 2016, the Transport Canberra Transition Team held a community transport workshop with a range of community stakeholder groups, including the ACT Council of Social Services (ACTCOSS). The workshop served as a key input to strategic planning for Transport Canberra.

Between March and June 2015, the Transport Canberra Transition team conducted a comprehensive survey of public transport in the ACT. This survey will help to shape Transport Canberra's public transport improvement program to win new public transport customers. The survey comprised six focus group sessions, an online survey, a phone survey (n=2,000) and on-board passenger surveys.

Smart City / Internet of Things

Policy and Cabinet Division undertook a Smart City Opportunity Assessment over 2015-16 to canvass the digital landscape and consider opportunities for digital effort.

To assist with this research project, in November 2015 Policy and Cabinet Division held two smart city workshops: one through the Canberra Innovation Network (CBRIN) to hear from local businesses; and a further workshop to hear from leading technology companies.

Reportable Conduct Scheme

This engagement was intended to inform and consult with relevant stakeholders on the Government's intention to implement a reportable conduct scheme for child abuse allegations occurring in institutions. Policy and Cabinet Division held two public roundtable discussions in March 2016 which were attended by representatives from the disability, education, out-of-home care, union and government sectors.

At these sessions, participants were asked to focus on three major questions, in addition to the six raised in the discussion paper, namely:

- > should a reportable conduct scheme be introduced
- > which organisation should have the oversight power
- > what type of employees should be in scope of the scheme.

Private consultations were also held for those unable to make the public sessions, or for those who requested one.

Presentations were also made to the ACT Council of Social Services Peak Forum and the Sexual Assault Reform Program Reference Group.

In addition to the face-to-face consultation discussed above, over 20 written submissions were received.

ACT COMPULSORY THIRD PARTY INSURANCE REGULATOR

Project	Summary
CTP Quiz	<p>The CTP insurance quiz was designed to gauge drivers' level of knowledge of the ACT CTP scheme and to improve understanding of the arrangements.</p> <p>The online quiz was published on the CTP insurance website from 18 April to 15 May 2016 and was distributed via digital and direct mediums both internally and externally, including the ACT Government Facebook and Twitter pages; digital and hardcopy versions of the <i>Our Canberra</i> newsletter; the Whole of Government Daily Notices; and the internal CMTEDD newsletter, <i>The Loop</i>.</p> <p>This quiz targeted more than 265,000 Canberra motorists aged 17-65 over the four-week period.</p> <p>A total of 1,632 participants took part in the quiz with 79% of participants answering five or more questions out of 10 correctly. Despite the pass rate, the majority of participants (62%) answered three to five answers incorrectly.</p> <p>On average Canberra motorists lacked knowledge about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > how costly the ACT's CTP scheme is relative to other jurisdictions > the relative proportion of different payments paid out by the scheme, including the relatively low proportion of medical expenses paid to injured persons > the nature and meaning of an 'at-fault' system, and the need to prove fault in order to receive compensation > what the CTP policy covers in terms of insurance; and > eligibility for the Lifetime Care and Support Scheme (when injuries are catastrophic). <p>The CTP insurance quiz was very successful in reaching Canberra motorists to measure their understanding of the ACT CTP insurance scheme and directing them to the updated website for more information. The number of participants was four times greater than the original target sample size.</p>
Insurance Council of Australia Meetings	<p>The CTP regulator and insurers met once during 2015-16 at a meeting facilitated by the Insurance Council of Australia (out-of-session</p> <p>teleconferences were also conducted with insurers on important issues).</p> <p>The meeting and teleconferences included discussion on matters relating to improving the operation of the CTP scheme.</p> <p>These discussions included: developing Sharing Guidelines for the Industry Deed; reviewing the data, circumstances and approach to ridesharing; revising claims forms to reduce duplication; reviewing the premium filing process to improve efficiency; and progressing implementation of the ACT Personal Injury Register.</p> <p>The meetings facilitated by the Insurance Council of Australia are an effective forum for discussing topical issues regarding CTP Insurance.</p>
CTP Claims Forms	<p>Consultation was undertaken with the ACT Law Society and other legal stakeholders in 2015-16.</p>

Changes were proposed to remove the duplication of fields requesting information, consolidate the medical report required from doctors into one document, and minimise the number of signatures and authorities required to obtain personal information.

The changes to the claims forms have had a consequential effect on the Early Payment Guidelines.

It is the intention of the CTP regulator that the revised guidelines and forms will be available for use by late 2016.

FINANCE AND BUDGET

Project	Summary
Budget Consultation	<p>The Budget Consultation process serves to inform decision-making processes associated with development of the Territory's annual budget.</p> <p>Community groups, interested parties and individuals are invited to provide their commentary via a dedicated Budget Consultation website. 87 written submissions were received as part of the 2016-17 process, with submitting parties able to request their input either be treated as confidential or publicly listed on the website.</p> <p>ACT Government agencies consider the input provided as they develop new initiatives for the Government's consideration.</p> <p>The annual Budget represents the Government's response to the matters raised via the consultation process</p>
Budget Day Community Briefing	<p>CMTEDD conducted a budget briefing on Budget Day (7 June 2016) for peak community, business and industry organisations, with over 120 people from local interest groups attending. The Chief Minister and Treasurer, Mr Andrew Barr MLA, delivered a presentation and senior ACT Government agency representatives were available to answer any questions from attendees.</p>

LIFETIME CARE AND SUPPORT SCHEME

Project	Summary
Lifetime Care and Support (LTCS) Participant survey	<p>A research survey of ACT participants in the LTCS Scheme was undertaken in February 2016 for the first time since the commencement of the ACT LTCS Scheme on 1 July 2014.</p> <p>The purpose of the survey was to seek feedback from all ACT LTCS Scheme participants (5 participants) to gain an understanding of their expectations of and experience with the Scheme. Analysis based on the feedback was used to identify opportunities for improvements in the operation of the LTCS Scheme and ensure that its focus remains on effective rehabilitation and recovery outcomes.</p> <p>The survey was conducted by a social research consultant who specialised in undertaking research of services in the disability and health sectors. LTCS Scheme Participants and their nominated representatives were invited to participate in the survey by letter sent to them with information on the purpose of the research and how the survey would be conducted. Scheme participants who wished to participate in the survey were then contacted and a time was arranged for the consultant to speak to them individually. All participants in the</p>

scheme agreed to be interviewed as part of the survey.

The results of the research together with opportunities for enhancements to the Scheme were reported to the LTCS Commissioner.

It is the intention to undertake a survey of Scheme participant views on an annual basis.

Lifetime Care and Support Scheme to cover catastrophically injured workers

The Lifetime Care and Support (Catastrophic Injuries) Amendment Act (No 1) 2016, which passed the ACT Legislative Assembly in May 2016, broadens the LTCS Scheme to cover private sector workers who suffer a catastrophic workplace accident. This is part of the ACT Government's commitment to implement a National Injury Insurance Scheme (NIIS) to cover catastrophically injured workers as part of the agreement with the Commonwealth Government to roll out the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) in the ACT. Feedback was sought from insurers and self-insurers in the development of draft legislation to give effect to an expanded LTCS Scheme to cover workers. Consultation also included the provision of answers to questions raised by stakeholders. The unions, the Work Safety Council and the ACT Business Council were also consulted.

The Scheme to cover workers commenced 1 July 2016. The ACT Government is now working with Insurers, Self-insurers and the NSW Lifetime Care and Support Authority (also known as NSW Lifetime Care) regarding implementation of the LTCS Scheme to cover workplace accidents.

WORKPLACE SAFETY AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Project	Summary
Portable Long Service Leave – Extension of Community Sector Industry and Contract Cleaning Industry Portable Long Service Leave Schemes to the aged care and waste management workers respectively.	<p>This engagement was aimed at consulting with relevant stakeholders in the aged care and waste management sectors in the development of the scope and content of amending legislation to include workers in these sectors in the community sector and contract cleaning schemes.</p> <p>Given the nature of the information and input required stakeholders were engaged either face-to-face, by email or by teleconference (depending on location).</p> <p>The Health Services Union, the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation, United Voice and the Transport Workers Union were engaged on behalf of workers in these sectors.</p> <p>For aged care, affected employers and the applicable employer peak bodies were engaged.</p> <p>In relation to the contract waste worker employers, the Waste Contractors and Recyclers Association of NSW and affected employers were engaged.</p> <p>Peak industry bodies engaged included the Canberra Business Chamber and the ACT Council of Social Services.</p>
Development of a new workers' compensation scheme for the ACT public sector workforce	<p>This engagement was aimed at consulting with employee representatives on the design of a new workers' compensation scheme for the ACT public sector (ACTPS) workforce. Given the technical nature of the subject matter the preferred method for this consultation was face-to-face meetings with key stakeholders. On this basis, government officials have met on ten occasions with a delegation representing the interests of Unions ACT. Ongoing discussions between the union</p>

delegation and government officials began in August 2015 and have been conducted in good faith. The intended outcome of this consultation process is the introduction of a socially and financially responsible workers' compensation scheme for the ACT public sector.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STREAM

ARTS BUSINESS EVENTS SPORTS TOURISM

Innovation, Trade and Investment

Project	Summary
Study Canberra sector engagement	<p>The ACT Government's Study Canberra program promotes Canberra as a study destination to Australian and international students in partnership with Canberra's key education institutions.</p> <p>Study Canberra program initiatives include the engagement of prospective and new students, stakeholders, and the wider community by attending several local events each year.</p> <p>Much of the face-to-face engagement is conducted with the Study Canberra Student Ambassadors. The Ambassadors are students representing a wide variety of backgrounds and a diverse range of academic disciplines taught by education institutions in Canberra, and comprise domestic and international students from the Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT), University of Canberra (UC), University of New South Wales Canberra (UNSW Canberra) and two Canberra colleges.</p> <p>Orientation activities are an important part of welcoming new students and helping them to settle in to their new environment. Study Canberra participated at orientation events during Semester 2 (August 2015) and Semester 1 (February 2016) for new students at CIT, UC and the ANU.</p> <p>Study Canberra also operated the Airport Welcome Desk at Canberra International Airport in partnership with UC for the commencement of Semester 1 2016.</p> <p>Study Canberra was represented at the Canberra Careers Fair in July 2015 with more than 7,000 students, career advisers, parents and teachers attending this two-day event.</p> <p>Tertiary Open Day in August 2015 saw Study Canberra participating in campus activities at ANU, UC and UNSW Canberra, and supporting other institutions through Tertiary Open Day activities. Over 6,000 people visited UC and ANU alone with the event bringing many regional, interstate and international visitors to the ACT.</p> <p>Study Canberra attends these events in conjunction with Visit Canberra to ensure wider promotion of Canberra as a city and study destination.</p> <p>During 2015-16 the ACT Government successfully hosted two Study Canberra Student Welcome events (21 August 2015 and 4 March 2016) which serve as an official welcome to our city for new interstate and international students.</p> <p>Hosted by the Chief Minister, over 250 students and staff from all ACT higher education providers, including Vice-Chancellors, several country Ambassadors, and Federal and ACT Government staff attended these events.</p>

Procurement workshop

Innovation, Trade and Investment and the CBR Innovation Network supported Procurement and Capital Works to undertake an industry engagement session in November 2015 for the procurement of a 'Whole of Government Capital Works Enterprise System'.

Innovation, Trade and Investment facilitated the attendance of approximately 30 Canberra-based businesses, allowing companies the opportunity to have early input into the development of the procurement activity.

This led to opportunities for one-on-one meetings between interested businesses and the project manager to discuss potential solutions to the proposal.

Field Officer Program

The Field Officer program continued to evolve during 2015-16. The Field Officers provide guidance to Australian Apprentices and their employers on how to navigate the ACT vocational education and training (VET) system and link them with relevant support services, whilst gathering intelligence from industry and the users of the VET system to inform policy decisions and identify ACT skills needs.

During the reporting period 600 employers and 700 Australian Apprentices visits occurred.

Registered Training Organisation Forums

The forums provide an opportunity for stakeholders to engage with Training and Tertiary Education on current and future vocational education and training activities and related matters in the ACT and nationally.

Forums held in 2015-16 covered a range of topics including:

- > local and national reform in the skills training sector
- > review of the ACT Australian Apprenticeships program
- > ACT Vocational Education and Training Administrative Record System (AVETARS)
- > Skilled Capital funded training initiative
- > ACT Quality Framework including registered training organisation (RTO) audits and professional development opportunities and
- > Australian Vocational Education and Training Management Information Statistical Standard (AVETMISS).

Representatives attended from registered training organisations (RTOs) including:

- > public and non-government school RTOs
 - > group training organisations (GTOs)
 - > industry skills councils and service skills organisations
 - > Apprenticeship Network providers (ANPs)
 - > the Canberra Business Chamber
 - > the Australian Council for Private Education and Training (ACPET)
 - > the ACT Association of Providers of Training Services (APTS)
 - > the Board of Senior Secondary Studies (BSSS)
 - > industry peak bodies and the Australian Government.
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ACT VET Think Tank

The objectives of the ACT VET Think Tank are to identify and discuss key current and emerging strategic, policy and operational matters confronting Training and Tertiary Education.

It provides a perspective of the ACT vocational education and training (VET) community on the ACT VET system and informs strategies to strengthen interaction, communication and collaboration between the Directorate and ACT VET stakeholders.

The ACT VET Think Tank is chaired by the Director, Training and Tertiary Education, and membership includes representatives from a range of stakeholders including:

- > registered training organisations (RTOs)
- > group training organisations (GTO)
- > Apprenticeships Network Providers ACT Australian Council for Private Education and Training (ACPET)
- > the ACT Association of Providers of Training Services (APTS).

There were two ACT VET Think Tank meetings in the 2015-16 reporting period.

ACT Training Awards

The ACT Training Awards are the ACT's premier vocational education and training community event. The 2015 Awards presentation in September 2015 recognised the outstanding achievements of apprentices, trainees, school students, employers, colleges, registered training organisations (RTOs) and industry within the vocational education and training sector.

Two ACT nominees were recognised in the 2015 ACT Training Awards and went on to be runners-up in their national categories at the 2015 Australian Training Awards. The Australian Training Awards are the peak national awards for the vocational education and training sector recognising organisations, training providers and individuals for their contribution to skilling Australia. The ACT runners-up at the Australian Training Awards were:

- > Hana Chapman-Speering as Australian School Based Apprentice of the Year and
- > Samantha Marks-Galea as Australian Apprentice (Trainee) of the Year.

Review of the ACT Australian Apprenticeships (User Choice) Program

This was the first substantial review of User Choice in many years, and was timely following the development and implementation of the Skilled Capital program.

Consultation with vocational education and training (VET) stakeholders was a key component and included four online surveys targeting registered training organisations (RTOs) and Australian Apprentice employers; three RTO focus groups; and interviews with representatives from industries with strong Australian Apprenticeships uptake to ascertain the impacts of proposed changes on industry. The review resulted in changes to the User Choice subsidy and payment model.

Skilled Capital 12 Month Evaluation

The evaluation was conducted to review the Skilled Capital program's first year of operation. Extensive consultation with vocational education and training (VET) stakeholders enabled a thorough assessment of its key elements and attributes.

The approach included the Skilled Capital Progress Survey and registered training organisation (RTO) focus groups, participation in which was open to RTOs who had or were currently delivering Skilled Capital qualifications. A selection of RTOs not currently accessing the Skilled Capital program, were also contacted for comment via email. The findings of the evaluation highlighted that the policy design parameters implemented in Skilled Capital are working as intended and supported the implementation of a number of changes in 2016, to further improve the program.

Professional development for registered training organisations	Workshops for registered training organisations were conducted for the first time to support compliance with the ACT Standards for the Delivery of Training and Compliance Guides for ACT Government subsidised training initiatives.
Industry and community consultation on the ACT Skills Needs List	<p>The ACT Skills Needs List was first published in July 2014 and identifies the skills needs and funding priorities for qualification level vocational education and training (VET) in the ACT.</p> <p>The Draft ACT Skills Needs List 2015 went out for consultation in August 2015, seeking feedback from industry, employers, training providers and members of the wider community. This was a key component to the review of the ACT Skills Needs List, to ensure it remains aligned with changing ACT skills needs.</p>

VisitCanberra

Project	Summary
VisitCanberra Destination Canberra Conference	<p>On 25 February 2016 VisitCanberra hosted the inaugural Destination Canberra Conference (DCC). The DCC is a new initiative aimed at supporting the promotion and development of the tourism industry, as we work towards growing the value of the visitor economy to \$2.5 billion by 2020.</p> <p>The DCC focused on key destination marketing opportunities in the ACT and Canberra region and was aimed at industry professionals in the private and public sector who have a passion to grow the visitor economy.</p> <p>Launched by Chief Minister Andrew Barr MLA, the DCC covered topics such as the global outlook, marketing in the digital age, customer service, partnership marketing and aviation. The DCC provided a platform for delegates to absorb practical innovations which could raise the profile of their organisation and the ACT and Canberra region as a tourism destination, and provide inspiration and guidance to the industry on where to from here.</p> <p>The DCC was followed by a half-day of hands-on workshops on Friday 26 February, providing the opportunity for delegates to further expand on learnings from the conference. The workshops covered topics relevant to the ACT and Canberra region, including China ready, trade and distribution, cultural tourism and consumer insights in digital marketing. Over 220 delegates from Canberra and the region's tourism, hospitality, transport and education sectors attended the conference.</p>
Regional Tourism Workshop	<p>On Friday 10 June 2016 VisitCanberra coordinated a regional tourism workshop that focused on the potential for the Canberra Region to adopt a more collaborative focus on tourism activities.</p> <p>With the commencement of direct international flights by Singapore</p>

Airlines from 20 September 2016 and the roll out of the new destination marketing platform, One Good Thing After Another, the opportunity exists to better collaborate towards Tourism 2020 to drive overnight visitation and expenditure opportunities with industry partners.

Representatives from CMTEDD, Destination NSW, the CBR Joint Organisation, Tourism Snowy Mountains, Southern Highlands, Sapphire Coast and Shoalhaven attended the workshop.

Cabbies Breakfast	<p>Delivery of two Cabbies Breakfast and one Cabbies Afternoon Tea sessions to provide and share current tourism product information and to promote quality customer service through the local taxi industry.</p> <p>Promotional material including the 2015 Canberra Region Visitors Guide and Seasonal Events Guide are provided in information packs to drivers.</p> <p>Sessions were held on 10 September 2015, 8 March and 5 May 2016. Sessions in 2016 have also included an update on the relocation of the Canberra and Region Visitors Centre to Regatta Point. On average 150 drivers attended these sessions.</p>
Uber Morning Tea	<p>Delivery of two Uber Morning Tea sessions to provide and share current tourism product information and to promote quality customer service through the local taxi industry.</p> <p>Promotional material including the 2015 Canberra Region Visitors Guide, Seasonal Events Guide, and new visitor App are provided in information packs to drivers.</p> <p>Sessions were held on 18 December 2015 and 15 June 2016. Sessions in 2016 have also included an update on the relocation of the Canberra and Region Visitors Centre to Regatta Point.</p> <p>On average 120 drivers attend these sessions.</p>
UC, ANU and CIT Open Days	<p>VisitCanberra has attended a range of university open days and international student orientations in collaboration with StudyCanberra to promote the destination and provide quality customer service and support to new students.</p> <p>StudyCanberra supplied bags for which VisitCanberra included content such as the current Canberra Visitor Guides, seasonal events guide, tear off maps, Canberra cycle loops and a one page print out on 'How to find out about events in Canberra'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > ANU and UC Open Days – 29 August 2015 – 700 bags at each > Canberra CareersXPO – 29 & 30 July 2015 – 900 bags > CIT Community Days – 4-6 August 2015 – 100 bags at each campus (Woden, Reid, Bruce) > CIT International Orientation – 4 February 2016 – 100 bags > ANU and UC O-Week – 10 February 2016 – 500 bags
Canberra CareersXpo	
CIT Community Days	
CIT International Orientation	
ANU and UC O-Week	
Defence Community Organisation Open Day	<p>VisitCanberra had a presence at the Defence Community Organisation (DCO) Open Day at ADFA on 5 March 2016.</p> <p>This event was an opportunity to connect with new families that had relocated to Canberra.</p> <p>150 visitor information packs were distributed.</p>
Radford College Presentation	<p>After successfully gaining a grant through the ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grants Program Radford College developed a course whereby the students study Economics and</p>

Business and Civics and Citizenship under a thematic approach of Engaging with Asia.

As part of this course, the students have one lesson a fortnight with a Chinese teacher learning about culture, etiquette and background that will hopefully prepare them to do business in or with Asia. On 4 May 2016 VisitCanberra presented to Year 10 students studying this new course on the benefits of direct international flights and engagement with Asia.

Approximately 100 students attended the presentation.

National Seniors Australia

Presentation to National Seniors Australia, Canberra North Branch members on 3 December 2015.

The purpose of the presentation was to communicate the role of VisitCanberra and the value of the Visitor Economy to the ACT. National Seniors Australia is a not-for-profit membership based community organisation which has as its major objectives:

- > to provide economic and social benefits for people 50 years and over
- > to represent members' views to Government at all levels and also on numerous consultative committees
- > to make donations and provide service and advice to charitable institutions assisting people 50 years and over.

With a national membership of 300,000, it is Australia's largest organisation representing those 50 years and over.

Approximately 80 members attended this presentation.

University of Canberra presentation

VisitCanberra gave a presentation to tourism and business management students at the University of Canberra on 11 August 2015. The purpose of the presentation was to address tourism employability and the skills needed to get into the industry.

Approximately 30 students attended the presentation.

Meetings and Events Australia

VisitCanberra presented to members and industry representatives of Meetings and Events Australia on 25 November 2015.

The purpose was to engage meetings and events professionals on the importance of markets and shopping to the tourism industry and present case studies on how VisitCanberra has worked with/supported these types of businesses in the past.

Details of the recently launched Delegate Boosting Kit (developed to assist conference and event organisers to encourage beyond conference leisure based activities and conversion of business event travel into future leisure travel) were also provided at the presentation.

Approximately 50 MEA members/industry representatives attended the presentation.

National Arboretum, Events ACT and artsACT

Project

Summary

Canberra volunteer, events, education and marketing program

The National Arboretum Canberra continued to support and facilitate an active and wide ranging community engagement program with several key elements:

Guiding, working bees and other volunteer activities through the

	<p>Friends of the National Arboretum, the Southern Tablelands Ecosystems Park (STEP) and the bonsai and penjing community, collectively contributing approximately 19,000 hours of volunteer time. This included 2494 free guided tours involving 13,873 visitors.</p> <p>Provision of a public events program which included 32 events including exhibitions, concerts, workshops, an open day and other ticketed and free activities;</p> <p>Provision of a fee-for-service education program for schools which reached over 3,200 students; an active marketing approach through social media, publicity, newsletters, advertising and on-site visitor services.</p> <p>Community engagement continues to be a core part of the Arboretum's function as it evolves and develops.</p>
National Arboretum Canberra Strategic Direction Review- Stakeholder Consultation	<p>As part of a Strategic Direction Review, the Arboretum facilitated a series of stakeholder consultations that focused on capturing ideas and opinions about the future of the Arboretum. Consultations included:</p> <p>21 one-on-one sessions with individuals who were identified as key Arboretum stakeholders. The sessions ran for approximately 45 minutes each.</p> <p>9 focus group sessions with an average of 8 attendees per session. Each focus group ran for 2 hours and was targeted towards a different stakeholder group, including staff, Arboretum Friends and volunteers, forestry, horticulture and arboriculture experts, tourism industry professionals, gardening specialists, community engagement advocates, recreational user groups, and young Canberrans.</p> <p>In total, 95 stakeholders were directly consulted during this process.</p>
National Arboretum Canberra Strategic Direction Review- Visitor Survey	<p>The Arboretum undertook a visitor survey in May and June 2016 which resulted in over 2600 responses. The survey collected a range of demographic data as well as seeking views on the Arboretum's purpose and future direction to inform the Strategic Direction Review.</p> <p>The results revealed widespread and strong community support for the Arboretum and its diverse roles in conservation, education, recreation and tourism.</p> <p>The Strategic Direction Review is due to be completed by August 2016 and will be provided to Government for consideration.</p>
National Arboretum Canberra Ceremonial Tree Plantings	<p>The Arboretum continued its role in building relationships between the ACT and the international community through facilitating three ceremonial tree plantings, involving dignitaries from Iran, Tanzania and the UK.</p>
ACT Cultural Infrastructure Plan	<p>artsACT is committed to an ongoing conversation with the community about the implementation of the 2015 ACT Arts Policy, including the development of the Cultural Infrastructure Plan.</p> <p>The first CBRarts Forum Creative Spaces, Creative Places was a chance to discuss the future needs for cultural infrastructure in the ACT. Fifty-one members of the community took part in the forum in December 2015 to discuss how arts facilities can meet community needs now and in the future and the role of the arts in improving the vibrancy and liveability of Canberra. Seventy-three people responded to the online survey. A targeted arts facilities workshop was also held in February 2016.</p> <p>Responses from the forum, workshop and survey will contribute to the development of the ACT Government Cultural Infrastructure Plan.</p>

Further artist workshops will be held in July 2016.

Other tools used to engage the community included social media, artsACT web updates, eNews articles and a survey.

ACT Arts Funding Plan

artsACT is committed to an ongoing conversation with the community about the implementation of the 2015 ACT Arts Policy, including the development of the Arts Funding Plan.

The second CBRarts Forum Making CBRarts Happen was held in March 2016 and included 28 local arts workers and other stakeholders. This Forum was an important part of the discussion between government, organisations and individuals about the direct and indirect funding support available to the arts sector.

Discussions ranged from the features of the Canberra arts sector to sector needs towards the Arts Policy's key principles. These discussions will inform the development of the new Arts Funding Plan. Further artist workshops will be held in July 2016.

Other tools used to engage the community included social media, artsACT web updates and eNews articles.

Engaging with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts and Culture

The ACT Arts Policy includes a principle on Engaging with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts and Culture. As part of the development of relationships in the community artsACT took part in a market at Yarramundi Reach organised by the Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs. The provided an opportunity to alert the market attendees to the programs offered by artsACT.

Further engagement with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities will take place in 2016-17.

ACT Event Fund public information sessions

To assist with the successful roll-out of the ACT Event Fund, two public information sessions for event organisers and potential grant applicants are convened by Events ACT after the Fund opens each year. The public information sessions provide advice to applicants on the aims of the ACT Event Fund, available funding tiers, eligibility, application preparation and the assessment process.

Each session is attended by approximately 15-20 event organisers. Holding these public information sessions has enhanced levels of engagement with the local events community, has served to improve the quality of funding applications over time and has ensured a clearer understanding of ACT Government objectives for the events sector.

One-on-one meetings with Events ACT are also available for those event organisers that require additional clarification and guidance.

Sport and Recreation Services

Project

Summary

Stromlo Forest Park master plan

Community consultation was undertaken on the updated master plan for Stromlo Forest Park in order to re-engage with the community on the future of the Park, following the development of the original master plan in 2010.

Residents living in the suburbs surrounding Stromlo Forest Park (Wright, Coombs, Weston Creek) received an invitation in the mail to complete a survey on the updated master plan. The consultation was also promoted via media release, social media, the Our Canberra

newsletter, on various ACT Government websites and through the Land Development Agency's Molonglo Mingle network.

During the three month consultation period seven written submissions and 744 online responses were received.

Following the consultation the final master plan for Stromlo Forest Park was released on 12 May 2016 as part of the Weston Creek Pop-up Cabinet. At the same time the Chief Minister announced that the first project that would be developed under the master plan is a new 50m pool at the Park.

A new sporting facility at the Lyneham Neighbourhood Oval

Community consultation was undertaken on a proposal by Brindabella Christian College to build a new sporting facility on a portion of land within the lease boundary of the Lyneham Neighbourhood Oval to gauge whether there was support from the community for this development.

Following concerns raised by the community about the proposal, the ACT Government undertook a survey to get a clearer picture of the level of community support.

Residents living in the suburbs immediately surrounding the Lyneham Neighbourhood Oval received an invitation in the mail to complete a survey on the proposal.

Information about the consultation was also placed in newsletters for Lyneham High School and Lyneham Primary School, and Brindabella Christian College. In addition, two community forums were held (November 2014 and June 2015) to talk through the development proposal and provide residents with an opportunity to ask questions.

Meetings were also held between the ACT Government, Brindabella Christian College and key residents groups in the area, and presentations were made to the two ACT Government school P&Cs. The consultation was also promoted via media release.

The community survey was completed by 676 people and represented those who lived in north O'Connor and Lyneham, as well as parents at the three local schools – Brindabella Christian College, Lyneham Primary School and Lyneham High School.

The level of support from within the broader Lyneham community was shown to be less than 25%, and as a result the ACT Government did not endorse the proposal.

Territory Venues

Project	Summary
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Manuka Oval major events and temporary traffic management / parking plan for 2016	
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	The purpose of this engagement was to inform the community and relevant stakeholders of planned major events at Manuka Oval in 2016 and to inform and discuss the temporary traffic management plan for each event during the year.
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	This engagement was undertaken on behalf of Territory Venues and Events. Tools used to engage the community included:
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">> letters to the Inner South Canberra Community Council (ISCCC)> Kingston and Barton Residents' Group (KBRG) and residents and businesses in close proximity to the oval> a meeting with representatives from the ISCCC and KBRG |
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- > Manuka Oval web updates
- > CMTEEDD and Manuka Oval social media
- > ACT Government Community Noticeboard press
- > Ticketek message to ticket holders.

The outcomes of these activities were for information purposes.

A commitment to meet bi-annually with the ISCCC and KBRG to provide updates prior to each sporting season is ongoing.

GIO Stadium major events and temporary traffic management / parking plan for 2016

Residents in the suburb of Bruce were provided with details of temporary traffic management arrangements for major events at GIO Stadium in 2016. This included access and egress options for local resident traffic before, during and after events.

CULTURAL FACILITIES CORPORATION

Project	Summary
Operation of the CFC's three advisory committees	<p>Purpose of the engagement: to seek advice on a range of specialised matters relating to the operation of the CFC's three program areas: the Canberra Theatre Centre; the Canberra Museum and Gallery; and the ACT Historic Places.</p> <p>Tools used in the engagement: plenary workshops of all committee members and individual sessions of each committee.</p> <p>Approximate number of people who participated: 22 across the three committees throughout the year.</p> <p>The outcome of the engagement: provision of expert strategic advice to the CFC.</p>

LAND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Project	Summary
Canberra Brickworks Precinct	<p>Following community consultation earlier in the year on the Canberra Brickworks + Environs Planning and Development Strategy, in August 2015 Chief Minister Andrew Barr announced a new proposed development (the Canberra Brickworks Precinct).</p> <p>This smaller site, reduced from 49 ha to 16 ha, still delivers activation of the Brickworks and much of the public realm of the previous plan. The new proposal gave the LDA an opportunity to pilot a new form of community engagement and rebuild trust with the community.</p> <p>In November 2015 the LDA established a community panel to develop precinct objectives for the site. The community panel consisted of seven stakeholders, with all panel members expected to consult with and represent the views of the group they represented and convey the considerations and outcomes of the panel to their members.</p> <p>The community panel broadly represented more than 5,500 members. The panel met six times over four months, and the objectives were included in the Request for Proposal (RFP) when the Brickworks site went to the market on 2 April 2016 in a two-stage process to select a developer. Panel members expressed very strong support for the engagement process and its outcomes.</p>

	<p>When the RFP closed on 16 June 2016, five proposals were received. The community panel will act as an advisory group in the RFP assessment process and will continue to be involved throughout the development of the precinct.</p>
Furzer Street Precinct, Woden	<p>Work on the Furzer Street Precinct in Woden began in March 2015 and was completed in July 2016. The realignment of Corinna Street began in late November 2015, requiring the closure of a section of Corinna Street between mid-February and July 2016.</p> <p>Community engagement tools included face-to-face meetings with the Woden Seniors Centre, Westfield Shopping Centre and nearby businesses to inform them of any traffic interruptions or impact, letterbox drops, emails, website updates and presentations to the Woden Community Council.</p> <p>Approximately 400 letters were distributed to nearby apartments, government buildings and businesses, and 20 people attended an information session in February 2016 at Woden Library.</p> <p>Under the ACT Government's Indicative Land Release Program, the Furzer Street Precinct (Woden Block 16 Section 3) is scheduled for release in 2017-18.</p>
LDA Events	<p>The LDA has engaged with the community through corporate events including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > the 'Celebrate Gungahlin' festival > the Real Estate Institute ACT Home Buyers' Expo > the Moncrieff Display Village launch.
Southquay Greenway Park Naming Competition	<p>The LDA and the ACT Place Names Committee invited the community to help name the new park in Southquay Greenway by nominating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > the name of a person who made a significant contribution to the local community > a deceased Australian architect or > a word or characteristic associated with the history of the local area. <p>Ten nominations from the community were received.</p>
Campbell Park Naming Poll	<p>The LDA and the ACT Place Names Committee invited the community to help select a name for the Campbell park. In keeping with the theme for the suburb, five names were short-listed. The selected names reflected the nomenclature themes of Defence personnel and/or the names of people who have some provenance with the suburb of Campbell. The park naming was via a voting system.</p> <p>The LDA received a total of 372 votes for the five names put forward.</p>
Molonglo Valley Resident Advisory Group	<p>The LDA initiated a working group for Molonglo Valley residents to meet monthly to discuss progress in the suburbs and opportunities for new events and activities.</p> <p>A number of large-scale community information sessions were held to communicate development updates and ACT Government programs and initiatives.</p> <p>Guest speakers included representatives of the Public Housing Renewal Taskforce, TAMS, EPD and the Molonglo River Corridor Team. Attendance at meetings varied from eight to 100 residents.</p> <p>A community survey in May/June 2016 received 196 responses.</p>

Bonner Residents Group	<p>The LDA worked with Bonner residents as part of the transition strategy for finalising the program in the community.</p> <p>The LDA was involved in a number of strategic conversations on the future of community activities in the area. The group has approximately 8-10 active members.</p>
Gungahlin Movie Marathon	<p>The LDA partnered with a number of organisations to deliver the Gungahlin Movie Marathon in June 2016, including the Gungahlin Community Council, My Gungahlin, Communities@Work and local Gungahlin businesses.</p> <p>Monthly meetings with stakeholders developed the event and movie program. A community survey sought feedback on the movie program and received 260 responses.</p> <p>Nineteen movies were screened over three days, with all ticket proceeds going to 12 not-for-profit groups working in the Gungahlin community.</p>
Gungahlin Community Group Forum	<p>The LDA started a Gungahlin community forum in June 2016 with representatives from Bonner, Crace, Casey, Franklin and Forde to establish improved links with connecting suburbs.</p>
City to the Lake West Basin Waterfront	<p>On 26 September 2015, the community were invited to comment on a works approval application for the West Basin waterfront, which is part of the City to the Lake project. The three week consultation process was conducted by the National Capital Authority as the agency with responsibility for development proposals at West Basin and follows community engagement processes undertaken by the ACT Government in 2013 and 2015. The application included two works packages. Works package 1 sought approval for lake reclamation, a new lake wall and site servicing. Works package 2 was for the construction of the landscape foreshore earthworks, hard and soft landscaping, boardwalk, pavilions and associated works. The application submitted included an illustrative masterplan, detailed drawings and artist impressions showing what the precinct would look like when complete. The application was supported by various studies that were undertaken to inform the waterfront design, including heritage, environment, tree assessment and retail analysis.</p> <p>Accompanying the application was a Strategic Urban Design Framework to guide the City to the Lake project over the next twenty years. It reflects the principals of good urban design and outlines a set of key moves and design principles to achieve an urbane, diverse and pedestrian friendly precinct. Sustainability and design excellence are core goals of the project. The draft framework was displayed at the drop in sessions held during the consultation period in June 2015, and was updated to reflect feedback received.</p> <p>Construction of the Point Park boardwalk is scheduled to commence in late 2016.</p>
Urban Renewal Community Engagement – Making Canberra’s Heart Sing	<p>From 4-8 April, the ACT Government hosted the visit of two international urban renewal experts. Professor Larry Beasley and Mr Gordon Harris were invited to share their experiences on creating successful, sustainable cities that are valued by the community.</p> <p>Professor Beasley is the retired Chief Planner for the City of Vancouver. He led the planning and development management initiatives to transform Vancouver into a world model for contemporary sustainable and liveable cities. He now teaches and advises on urbanism around the world. Mr Harris leads the development of UniverCity, an award-</p>

winning sustainable community on the Burnaby Mountain endowment lands of British Columbia's Simon Fraser University.

Professor Beasley and Mr Harris delivered an intensive program of public lectures, master classes and workshops during their week-long visit. Activities were structured to identify the gaps and opportunities for state-of-the-art transformation in central Canberra and transformation ideas for central Canberra.

Participants across the week of events included university students and representatives from government, industry and the community. 150 people attended the lunchtime address, 144 spaces were filled for the masterclasses, 60 thought leaders participated in the forum and 100 people attended a free debate.

Feedback received during the engagement process has informed the development of draft principles and a strategy statement for the transformation of Central Canberra.

PROCUREMENT AND CAPITAL WORKS

Project	Summary
Horse Park Drive, Gungahlin	<p>Horse Park Drive is being upgraded between Anthony Rolfe Avenue and Well Station Drive. The upgrade incorporates the duplication of Horse Park Drive and upgrades of three main intersections.</p> <p>Tools used to engage with the community included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > letterbox deliveries to stakeholders and residents (2500) > social media > website updates and ongoing communication > three presentations to the Gungahlin Community Council and on-site variable message signage. <p>Communication activities were coordinated with the TAMS and Capital Metro communication teams. Night asphalt works at the Anthony Rolfe intersection were successfully completed in May with only one public enquiry received. Works were complete in early June, with traffic using the new lanes through the Horse Park Drive and Anthony Rolfe Ave intersection, resulting in two lanes through the intersection in both directions.</p> <p>Communications are being coordinated on upcoming traffic impacts for Stage two of the duplication. Earthworks are underway to build up the new carriageway between Anthony Rolfe Avenue and Well Station Drive, and work on the bridge at Gungaharra Creek (on the new carriageway) started in mid-June.</p>
Gungahlin Town Centre road extensions (Procurement and Capital Works)	<p>Work began in late February 2016 on the Gungahlin Town Centre East road extensions project, which involves extending The Valley Avenue from Kate Crace Street intersection to Manning Clark Crescent, and extending Manning Clark Crescent from Flemington Road to Anthony Rolfe Avenue.</p> <p>The work required temporary closures of Flemington Road in March and April, and the closure of Manning Clark Crescent northbound for six months from 15 June 2016 until late September 2016.</p> <p>This enabled the construction of kerbs, traffic islands and the upgrade of traffic signals at the intersection of Manning Clark Crescent and Flemington Road.</p>

Engagement activities incorporated activities for the Horse Park Drive duplication due to crossover of key stakeholders. Tools used to engage with the community included:

- > letterbox deliveries to stakeholders and residents
- > social media
- > website updates and ongoing communication
- > three presentations to the Gungahlin Community Council and on-site variable message signage.

Over five months, 10,350 letters were sent to Gungahlin residents, and about 100 people attended two information sessions in March 2016.

Dickson intersections
(Procurement and Capital Works)

As part of the redevelopment and revitalisation of Dickson, several intersections in and around the Dickson Group Centre have been upgraded to improve safety and traffic management.

Work began in June 2015 and was completed in October 2015, slightly earlier than anticipated. It included the installation of traffic lights at the Antill Street/Badham Street intersection, including construction of a right turn lane from Antill Street into Badham Street, upgrading the Antill Street/Cowper Street intersection and improvements at the Cowper Street/Dickson shops access road intersection.

Engagement used a range of media to reach as many residents and road users as possible and included letter deliveries and direct emails to approximately 1200 residents and 80 businesses. Other engagement tools were a presentation to the North Canberra Community Council (NCCC), website information, news items, posters at the library and various shops in Dickson, face-to-face meetings, social media updates and on-site variable message signage.

Only a few enquires or comments were received about the work and there was positive feedback via email and phone calls, including from the NCCC.

In the next stage of the project, work began in mid-April on the upgrade of the Cowper Street/ Dickson Place intersection.

Public Housing Renewal Taskforce

The ACT Government's public housing renewal program is replacing 1,288 ageing public housing dwellings along the Northbourne Avenue corridor and elsewhere in Canberra.

The sale of selected multi-unit public housing properties is also part of the ACT Government's agreement with the Commonwealth Government for the Asset Recycling Initiative (ARI).

Community engagement focuses on promoting awareness and understanding of the public housing renewal program, updating stakeholders and promoting the program's role in key urban renewal initiatives.

Tools include media releases and events, website updates, emails, social media and presentations to stakeholders, including community councils.

During 2015-16 the Public Housing Renewal Taskforce engaged the Canberra community on the relocation sites for public housing under the program.

Engagements included presenting program updates at 10 community council meetings attended by more than 350 people; distributing 10 public notices on project developments to more than 1500 residents; holding two drop-in information sessions attended by more than 180

people; and responding to more than 150 emails to the Housing Renewal inbox.

The Public Housing Renewal Taskforce also worked closely with Housing ACT and a range of community service providers to provide support for tenants for their relocation.

Smart Modern Strategic Procurement Reform Program (SMS Program)

Goods and Services (G&S) conducted a series of industry engagements to work directly with companies to identify, prioritise and develop strategies to improve their goods and services procurement experience. The first engagement activity was an online survey which was issued to approximately 4,600 industry representatives; 223 companies responded to the survey.

The survey results subsequently informed two co-design industry workshops: the first identified issues and quick wins and the second focused on concept testing of proposed solutions and strategies.

The first workshop registered:

- > over 90 organisations (represented by 97 individuals)
- > 46 representatives attending on the day.

The second workshop registered:

- > 55 organisations (represented by 65 individuals)
- > 40 organisations (represented by 46 individuals) attending on the day.

As a result of this industry engagement, the SMS Program will focus on improving panel operations, including delivering system enhancement to support this aim, developing guidelines around tendering administration to better support business considerations, and harnessing industry and market expertise in procurement strategy development.

Quarterly roundtable meetings with the Master Builders Association and Consult Australia

Procurement and Capital Works continued its practice of holding quarterly roundtable meetings with the Master Builders Association and Consult Australia as well as ad-hoc engagements with these groups or their representatives.

The attendees for these meetings comprise 8-20 representatives from the relevant organisation, and senior Procurement and Capital Works staff, as well as a small number of representatives from directorates involved in construction.

The roundtable meetings are held to maintain a dialogue between the ACT Government and peak bodies, with discussion of relevant ongoing procurement and construction related matters, as well as topical matters such as the introduction of electronic tendering.

Information forum for the construction industry

Procurement and Capital Works held an information forum for the construction industry on 26 April 2016.

Topics presented included a presentation on joint ventures, an industry update and how to improve tender responses. The Local Industry Advocate, Ms Kate Lundy, also attended and gave a short presentation on her role.

Community Services Directorate

The Community Services Directorate is committed to genuine community engagement by working in partnership with community, including through co-design, co-production and collective impact approaches. For example, the Directorate is implementing an innovative collective impact approach to engaging with community, through the West Belconnen Local Services Network.

The Network's *Community Development and Engagement Framework (framework)* is based on the Co-production Approach, which can be utilised to create community-driven actions. The Directorate also engages community through extensive partnerships with community groups. For example, the National Multicultural Festival brings together over 150 community groups each year and is overseen by a steering committee involving representatives from around 40 different multicultural groups.

The Directorate further supports a range of constituent-specific councils, such as the Ministerial Advisory Council on Ageing (MACA), Veterans Advisory Council (VAC), Ministerial Advisory Council on Women (MACW), LGBTIQ Advisory Council (LGBTIQ AD), and the Youth Advisory Council (YAC). The Directorate supports each council to ensure the views of the community are used to inform government. The Seniors Health Roundtable organised in partnership with the MACA, brought together over 70 participants interested in discussing health issues relevant to local seniors.

The Housing ACT Capital Works Program is another way the Directorate engages with the community. A review into how the community can be best engaged on these projects is underway, with the aim of building stronger, more integrated and diverse neighbourhoods.

Project	Summary
Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)—Community Engagement	<p>The purpose of the consultation was to promote the value of the 2015 AEDC data and support the government, Catholic and Independent school sectors to respond to the developmental vulnerabilities identified through the census.</p> <p>The method of engagement was forums for principals, deputy principals, executive teachers and school psychologists held in each of the government school network regions.</p> <p>Approximately 50 school representatives attended the Belconnen or Tuggeranong government school forums in June 2016.</p> <p>The outcomes included an opportunity to discuss the developmental vulnerability and early intervention needs of each region, the community needs of each region as identified in the AEDC school summaries and to hear from support services in the region.</p> <p>These forums were critical in promoting a local area response to AEDC results. Forums are scheduled for the Catholic and Independent school sectors.</p> <p>Future forums will be held at the Child and Family Centres and Woden Community Service in July–August 2016.</p>

A Step Up for Our Kids: Implementation program

Ongoing consultation has occurred through the implementation of A Step Up for Our Kids, to inform stakeholders of the implementation progress, assist them to understand the impact of changes and to seek views on operational aspects of this implementation.

The method of engagement included meetings, think tanks, newsletters and correspondence from July 2015 to June 2016.

Foster and kinship carers, out-of-home care providers, peak organisations, government staff, the Children and Youth Services Council, Education and Training Directorate, Health Directorate, Justice and Community Safety Directorate, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body and Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) were consulted.

Approximately 60 meetings were held to engage with these stakeholders.

The outcomes are the broader out-of-home care sector has an understanding of A Step Up for Our Kids and how changes may affect them. Feedback has continued to inform various aspects of A Step Up for Our Kids and its implementation.

NDIS Participant Reference Group

The purpose of this reference group was to coordinate NDIS participant readiness activities in the ACT.

The method of engagement was ongoing monthly meetings with people with disability, advocacy agencies and peak organisations.

Approximately 10 people were consulted at each meeting.

The outcome was increased awareness and understanding of participant readiness in the ACT.

Building the Capacity of Disability Service Workforce

The purpose of the consultation was to inform the development of a suite of innovative and evidence-based initiatives to assist ACT disability providers to address workforce capacity issues within the NDIS.

Two open consultations were held with ACT community sector providers with approximately 30 participants. Individual meetings were also held.

The outcome was the development of a proposal to the Australian Government to obtain \$1.27 million for NDIS sector development funding.

Everyone Everyday Program

The purpose of this program was to engage with primary schools to provide teachers with the knowledge and tools they need to explicitly teach their students concepts that foster inclusive attitudes and behaviours.

The method of engagement was to promote the resource and professional development program through stakeholder communication channels including the Education and Training Directorate, Catholic Education Office, Association of Independent Schools of the ACT, Teacher Quality Institute, ACT Council of Parents and Citizens Associations, and the online version of the Australian Curriculum (through the Scootle platform).

The number engaged included 467 teaching staff and pre-service teachers, representing 41 schools, who participated in the professional learning sessions.

	<p>The program updated teachers on current perspectives on disability and inclusion, and encouraged the use of the program in primary schools to change negative attitudes relating to disability and inclusion.</p>
Connect and Participate Expo	<p>The purpose of this expo held on 19 March 2016, was to provide Canberrans of all abilities with the opportunity to come to the one place on the one day and discover the diverse range of groups and clubs that exist in the community, encouraging them to participate in a community group.</p> <p>The method of engagement was to form a working group from government and non-government sectors and contact a diverse range of groups and clubs, offering the opportunity for them to showcase what they do.</p> <p>The event was promoted to the whole of the Canberra community using a multi-strategy approach.</p> <p>Approximately 150 groups and clubs participated in the Expo, which was attended by over 8,000 Canberrans, including approximately 20 percent of people with disability.</p> <p>The outcome was that people with and without disability were able to join groups which promoted inclusiveness and were active within the local community.</p>
Disability ACT Accommodation Support Family Forums	<p>The purpose of this forum was to conduct information sessions for families of Disability ACT households on the continuing service and transitions to the NDIS. The method of engagement was an open forum with Disability ACT Accommodation Support clients, families and guardians from July 2015 to June 2016.</p> <p>Over 100 people participated in the sessions. Attendance decreased at the end of the year as people transitioned to the NDIS and new service providers.</p> <p>The outcome was that families have up-to-date information on the continued service and NDIS transition. These forums have now concluded.</p>
Disability Sector Forum	<p>The purpose of this forum was to provide information and tools to build the capability of the disability sector.</p> <p>The method of engagement was a quarterly forum with funded organisations providing disability services.</p> <p>The approximate number consulted was 100 people/organisations each quarter.</p>
Home and Community Care/Disability Services Network	<p>The purpose of this network is to build the capability of the funded organisations to operate in an NDIS environment.</p> <p>The method of engagement was monthly forums in 2015–16 with funded organisations providing disability and home and community care services.</p> <p>The approximate number consulted was 20 to 30 people/organisations each month.</p>
Evaluation of Reforms to the Specialist Homelessness Services Sector	<p>Following the release of the Report on the Evaluation of Reforms to the ACT Specialist Homelessness Service System on 3 August 2015, Housing and Community Services consulted with specialist homelessness providers to redesign the key elements of the homelessness system under the ACT Government's Better Services framework.</p> <p>The consultation and engagement involved two facilitated workshops with 26 organisations. A joint position paper was developed by the</p>

Joint Pathways Executive and Housing and Community Services on the future delivery of homelessness services in the ACT.

Learnings and findings from the consultation and engagement were reflected in new contracts that were negotiated in May 2016 with 29 homelessness service providers.

Together these contracts will deliver 47 homelessness services across the ACT. The new contracts promote flexibility within the sector and better reflect the work of services through the separation of support services and tenancy management under the umbrella of the Human Services Gateway.

Common Ground Canberra	<p>Between July and December 2015, Housing and Community Services consulted monthly with the Common Ground Advisory Group about the provision of services at Common Ground Canberra.</p> <p>The aim of the consultation was to ensure that a holistic approach to the wellbeing of residents was maintained in line with the philosophy of a Common Ground model. Quarterly meetings were held from January 2016.</p> <p>The consultation with the Common Ground Advisory Group involved 15 groups and individuals including the Common Ground Canberra Board, ACT Health Directorate, Capital Health Network, Northside Community Service, and Argyle Community Housing.</p>
Development of 110 Baldwin Drive Kaleen	<p>Housing and Community Services has continued conversations with the Belconnen and Kaleen community in relation to the development project to establish 66 older person units on the former Bocce Club site.</p> <p>Consultation with the Huntington Body Corporate, Kaleen High School and the Canberra Organic Growers Society has continued through the design approval process, including early civil works on Baldwin Drive, road works for McLeod Street and issues to do with traffic signalisation.</p>
Public Housing Renewal Program— redevelopment of Owen Flats, Lyneham	<p>Housing and Community Services has continued to engage with residents of Owen Flats to provide information about the Public Housing Renewal Program and the planned redevelopment of the site. Tenant engagement activities included fortnightly barbeques and an on-site shop front.</p> <p>The number of tenants attending the barbecues ranged from four to 11 tenants at any given time and up to six tenants attended the shop front each day since it opened on 18 June 2015.</p> <p>Housing and Community Services and the Public Housing Renewal Taskforce engaged tenant relocation officers to work individually with each public housing tenant to identify their preferred relocation areas.</p> <p>Through the Transforming Communities Partnership, Housing and Community Services worked with community sector partners to identify individual tenant requirements and to support tenants throughout the relocation process. All 39 tenants were successfully relocated by December 2015.</p> <p>Housing and Community Services has followed up with each tenant in their new properties with a 90-day visit.</p>
Public Housing Renewal Program— redevelopment of Allawah Court and Karuah housing complex	<p>Throughout the year, Housing and Community Services has consulted and engaged with the residents and the community around Allawah Court and the Karuah public housing complex to provide information about the Public Housing Renewal Program.</p> <p>Tenant engagement activities have included barbeques and an on-site shop front to enable tenants to discuss issues about the renewal program. Housing and Community Services and the Public Housing</p>

	<p>Renewal Taskforce have engaged tenant relocation officers to work individually with each public housing tenant to identify their preferred relocation areas.</p> <p>The officers engaged with 150 tenants throughout the year. Through the Transforming Communities Partnership, Housing and Community Services is working with community sector partners to identify individual tenant requirements and to support tenants throughout the relocation process.</p>
Public Housing Renewal Program—redevelopment of Red Hill	<p>Beginning in April 2016, Housing and Community Services has consulted and engaged with the residents of the Red Hill public housing precinct to provide information about the Public Housing Renewal Program.</p> <p>Forty-six tenants and interested community members attended a barbeque on 29 April 2016. As for other complexes, Housing and Community Services and the Public Housing Renewal Taskforce have engaged tenant relocation officers to work individually with each public housing tenant to identify their preferred relocation areas.</p> <p>At 30 June 2016, the officers had engaged with 116 tenants. Through the Transforming Communities Partnership, Housing and Community Services is working with community sector partners to identify individual tenant requirements and to support tenants throughout the relocation process.</p>
Block 3 Section 58 Macquarie	<p>In May 2016, Housing and Community Services provided information to the Belconnen Community Council and neighbouring residents (approximately 150 households) about the proposed development in Bowman St, Macquarie.</p> <p>The Development Application was released for public notification in May 2016 and no negative comments were received.</p>
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Older Persons development—Block 9 Section 275 Kambah	<p>Housing and Community Services consulted with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Older Persons development project in Kambah.</p> <p>A number of formal meetings were held with the Elected Body during the design development stage. The Elected Body provided endorsement of the site selected and the design for the project, with a particular emphasis given to the landscaping design.</p> <p>Regular updates have been provided to the Chair of the Elected Body about the progress of the project. Commencing in February 2016, members of the Elected Body have been invited to monthly Project Control Group meetings held at the construction site.</p> <p>In September 2015 Housing and Community Services provided information about the proposed development and design to the Tuggeranong Community Council and the surrounding neighbourhood (including the Australian Sri Lankan Buddhist Association). A presentation was made to the Tuggeranong Community Council on 6 October 2015.</p> <p>Approximately 30 people attended the presentation and provided positive feedback.</p> <p>A meeting was held with the Australian Sri Lankan Buddhist Association on 7 December 2015 and approximately 20 members attended.</p> <p>Some concerns were raised about potential noise generated by activities undertaken at the Buddhist Temple and the impact this may have on the future tenants.</p>

	<p>These issues were resolved and no representations were made against the Development Application. The project is expected to be completed in September 2016.</p>
Changing lease to allow Newpin to operate from a property in Macgregor	<p>In February 2016 Housing and Community Services in partnership with Uniting consulted with adjoining neighbours and the community to provide information about the proposed use of 21 MacFarlane Burnet Avenue Macgregor to deliver the Newpin program.</p> <p>Newpin provides support and empowers families to break the cycle of child neglect and abuse.</p> <p>A drop-in session for neighbours was held at the property on 4 February 2016 and a briefing was provided to the Belconnen Community Council on 16 February 2016.</p>
Development of Teen House at Cook Community Hub	<p>Housing and Community Services, in partnership with the Ricky Stuart Foundation, consulted with the community about the proposed construction of a respite centre for teenagers aged 13–18 years with disability at the rear of the Cook Community Hub on Templeton Street, Cook.</p> <p>Two drop-in information sessions were held on 10 November 2015 and 17 December 2015. Invitations were sent to tenants of the Cook Community Hub and flyers providing details of the sessions were sent to all Cook households.</p> <p>About 50 people attended the two sessions and provided comments on the proposed development which are being incorporated into the design plans and Development Application.</p> <p>Further consultation will be held with the community as the project progresses.</p>
Joint Community Government Reference Group (JCGRG)	<p>The purpose of the Reference Group is to foster a partnership between the ACT Government and community sector to progress social and sustainability policy issues affecting the ACT community and community services sector.</p> <p>The Reference Group meets every two months, and in 2015–16 met seven times. The Reference Group consults with community sector peak bodies, community sector representatives, and senior ACT Government officials.</p> <p>There are 15 members of the Reference Group.</p>
ACT Community Services Industry Strategy Steering Group	<p>The purpose of the Group is to oversee the development of an industry strategy for the ACT community services sector.</p> <p>On behalf of the JCGRG, the Steering Group engaged a consultant to undertake broad consultation with the community sector to develop the Strategy.</p> <p>The group considered and provided advice on expenditure of the co-contribution levy to develop the Industry Strategy.</p> <p>Membership comprised four representatives from the community sector, two representatives from the ACT Government, one union representative and one consumer representative.</p>
The Domestic Violence Service System Gap Analysis Project Final Report	<p>The Domestic Violence Service System Gap Analysis reviewed the domestic violence service system in Canberra with a focus on the identification of best policy and practice and how to deliver an integrated and more effective support system for women and children in the ACT who are victims of domestic violence.</p>

The project involved a literature review, extensive consultation with service providers and mapping of the current service system.

Consultation with stakeholders included 29 face-to-face consultations, an extensive online survey of 83 workers and three workshops with approximately 70 participants in total.

The Domestic Violence Service System Gap Analysis Project Final Report was released on 20 May 2016.

Seniors Health Roundtable

The ACT's first Seniors Health Roundtable, a key action of the 2015–16 Action Plan of the Active Ageing Framework 2015–18, was held on 11 May 2016.

The purpose of the Roundtable was to provide an opportunity for local seniors to discuss issues of importance in regards to health services and supports.

Over 70 delegates from 36 organisations attended the event, including a diversity of representatives from the ACT health sector and various community groups including representatives from diverse cultural backgrounds, the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer community and veterans and seniors.

ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Agreement 2015–18

The Agreement is the overarching document that will guide Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs over the next two years.

The agreement leads the way for the ACT Government to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members to fully participate in and enjoy the social, economic and wellbeing benefits of living in the ACT.

An Outcome Performance Reporting Co-Design Workshop was held on 31 May 2016 bringing ACT Government employees together.

The purpose of the workshop was to begin discussion on identifying the required reporting requirements to measure the effectiveness of the Agreement.

The consultation sought broader engagement with stakeholders and external service providers to co-design a final outcomes performance framework for the Agreement.

Promotion of the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs (OA&TSIA)

The purpose of this consultation was to promote the work of OA&TSIA and to build relationships.

The method of engagement was ongoing face-to-face discussions with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander service providers, community organisations and ACT Government business units.

In 2015–16, OA&TSIA arranged and attended 43 consultations and meetings within various ACT Government business areas and 28 meetings with community groups and organisations.

The Office also assisted the Independent Reviewer at nine community forums as part of the Review of the *ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body Act 2008*.

The outcome was increased engagement across community and government sectors.

Better Services Local Services Network	<p>The purpose of this consultation was to engage with members of the Local Services Network to participate in a Collective Impact Workshop, an approach to achieving social change at a population level.</p> <p>The method of engagement was a face-to-face meeting at the Flynn Community Hub on 22 February 2016. The audience were members of the Network, with more than 30 in attendance.</p> <p>The workshop discussion supported the Network's activities in 2016 for achieving social change.</p>
West Belconnen Kids Winter Festival	<p>This event was held in response to feedback from the West Belconnen community about the need for more services for children during the week and outside work hours.</p> <p>The event was held at Kippax Uniting Community Centre on 4 June 2016 and included events for children and their families. There was a particular focus on school readiness.</p> <p>Of those surveyed, 82 per cent said the Festival had helped them and their children with school readiness. More than 300 families attended the Festival and 25 stallholders were present.</p>
Breaking of the Fast	<p>During Ramadan 2015, the ACT Government, in partnership with the Australian Government and members of the local Islamic community, held special Breaking of the Fast events at mosques and places of Islamic worship and education throughout Canberra.</p> <p>The purpose of the event, on Saturday 4 July, was:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > to provide an opportunity for Canberra's wider community to learn more about Ramadan > share a snack and chat with members of our city's diverse and vibrant Muslim community > to launch the ACT Government's Emergency Preparedness Guide, which helps residents to prepare for bushfires, severe weather events or even health-related matters. <p>The guides were available in a range of languages at each of the venues during the Breaking of the Fast event. Team members from the Community Participation Group were also at the venues to answer questions and build connections with community members.</p> <p>Thousands of Canberrans from all faiths attended the event at locations which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > the Canberra Islamic Centre at Monash > the Islamic School of Canberra at Weston > the Spence Mosque. <p>At each venue there were prayers, tours, information, food and cultural stories.</p>
Ministerial Advisory Council on Women and the ACT Women's Plan 2016–2026	<p>The Office for Women provides support to the Ministerial Advisory Council on Women (MACW). Women are appointed to MACW based on their capacity to represent the views of a broad spectrum of ACT women. Council members' ongoing formal and informal engagement and consultation with women ensures the views, ambitions and barriers experienced by ACT women are conveyed to Government, and inform policy and practice.</p>

In addition to the ongoing consultation undertaken by members of MACW throughout the year, during November-December 2015 MACW undertook a targeted consultation to gain input from women into the development the ACT Women's Plan 2016–26. An online survey was conducted, generating 338 responses from women living in the ACT. Survey results identified women's safe and stable housing, health equality and safety as priority areas to address. This feedback informed the identification of key priority areas of the ACT Women's Plan 2016–26.

Youth Advisory Council

In October 2015, the Youth Advisory Council participated in the St. Vincent de Paul Community Sleepout. This event was supported by St. Vincent de Paul and Communities@Work and aimed to challenge the Canberra community to sleep rough for a night to raise awareness of homelessness.

The Youth Advisory Council members are strong advocates for youth homelessness and in particular the hidden forms of homelessness such as 'couch surfing'. The Youth Advisory Council successfully raised over \$500 for St. Vincent de Paul homelessness programs.

Gap analysis of the domestic violence service system

The gap analysis project aimed to identify the steps required to bridge the gap between where the service system currently is, and where it needs to be, to deliver effective and integrated support for the women and children who are victims of domestic violence and to hold perpetrators to account for their behaviour. There were 29 targeted face-to-face consultations, an extensive online survey to which 83 human service professionals responded and three workshops attended by 70 participants.

As a result of the engagements with victims of domestic violence, the following challenges were identified: a lack of financial support and advice; the lack of understanding and service provision for children who have experienced domestic violence; and the lack of coordinated case management. In addition, victims particularly noted: inadequate responses to the (often repeated) breaches of protection orders (this was the single issue most identified by victims); the lack of knowledge of victims about where to get help; and the lack of safe and varied housing options.

As a result of the engagements with service providers, the following barriers were identified: limitations and impacts of a siloed crisis driven service system; no recognition of coercion and control; lack of case coordination/case management; lack of recognition of and response to the needs of children who have experienced domestic violence; women being re-traumatised by legal systems and processes; and lack of knowledge and training across the service system; not holding perpetrators to account; and not having a shared and common risk assessment across the service system.

As a result of this engagement, and in response to two additional reports into family violence, the ACT Government made a commitment to boost funding to reduce violence against women and children by \$21.4 million through a \$30 household levy.

Education Directorate

The work of the Education Directorate is strengthened through the range of partnerships we build with students, their families and the community more broadly.

Regular engagement with families, community and industry has allowed strategies to be put in place to support students at all stages of their learning journeys.

Project	Summary
Gifted and Talented Students Policy 2014 implementation partnership	In July 2014 the Education Directorate in partnership with Gateways Education commenced implementation of the <i>Gifted and Talented Students Policy 2014</i> . In 2015 and 2016 classroom teachers, Gifted and Talented Liaison Officers and school leaders participated in professional learning. Materials from workshops and research articles on gifted and talented education are made available to parents and the community through publication of materials in school newsletters.
Progressing Parental Engagement	<i>Progressing Parental Engagement in the ACT</i> is a cross-sectoral project led by the Education Directorate. The project demonstrates the ACT Government's commitment to enabling strong connections between home and school, and enhancing positive learning outcomes for all ACT children. The Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY) was commissioned to deliver the project across several phases.
Stakeholder surveys	The Education Directorate undertakes a number of regular and ad hoc, issue-specific surveys and research each year to gather information from a broad range of stakeholders to inform the work of the Directorate and ensure that important stakeholders' views are known.
Schools for All	The Expert Panel Review Report on students with complex needs and challenging behaviours has provided the Education Directorate with an opportunity to improve on a comprehensive reform program in education. In line with the final recommendation of the report, an independent appropriately skilled group has been established to oversee ACT school systems' implementation of the recommendations. The Schools for All Program covers a suite of reform activities, under a framework/philosophy that positions students at the centre of the education system. The Schools for All Program aims to enable each ACT school to be able to cater to the diverse and individual needs of each student within their local community, particularly those with complex needs and challenging behaviours. It provides an opportunity to strengthen the capability of educational organisations, teachers and support staff to build on good practice and respond to students effectively. Engagement with a range of community providers is central to the Schools for All response.
Review of Non-Government Schools Registration Processes	The Non-Government School Registration Manual was revised in 2015. The revised Non-Government School Registration Manual has: > removed unnecessary red tape for matters not specifically required under the registration processes that are outlined in <i>the Education Act 2004</i>

- > provided clearer guidelines to assist applicants to demonstrate community need for proposed non-government schools.

Applications for in-principle approval for new non-government schools will now require evidence that the site proposed for the development is available and suitable for any proposed new school or campus.

Members of the community can receive electronic copies of applications relating to proposed non-government schools.

Community notification for proposed non-government schools will appear on the Education Directorate's website.

Panels report to the Minister regarding a school's application for registration. The panels include balanced representation from the public and non-government education sectors.

Non-Government School Proposals for Development and Registration

The Education Directorate informs the community of applications relating to the in-principle approval and registration of non-government schools in the ACT.

During the 2015-16 reporting period, the Education Directorate notified the community of the following:

2015 Decisions

In-principle approval to apply for registration at additional campuses was granted to:

- > Blue Gum Community School to be located in Dickson
- > The Galilee School to be located in Holder.
- > Taqwa School was provisionally registered for year 4 for two years, January 2016 – 31 December 2017.

Registration renewal:

Islamic School of Canberra (kindergarten – year 7) was registered for one year: 1 January – 31 December 2016. The registration of the Islamic School of Canberra is currently under review. Further information can be found in the 'Islamic School of Canberra' fact sheet dated 1 March 2016.

The schools listed below were registered until 31 December 2020.

- > St Edmund's College (years 4 -12)
- > Radford College (kindergarten - year 12)
- > The Galilee School (year 7 - 10)
- > Holy Family Parish School, Gowrie (kindergarten - year 6)
- > Sacred Heart Primary School, Pearce (kindergarten - year 6)
- > St Francis Xavier College, Florey (year 7 - 12) and
- > St John the Apostle, Florey (kindergarten - year 6).

Registration at additional levels:

- > Good Shepherd Primary School's St John Paul II College campus was approved for Year 10 until 31 December 2017.

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Applications for in-principle approval have been received from:

- > Islamic School of Canberra for Year 8 as an additional year level
 - > Catholic Education for the provisional registration of two campuses as individual schools
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- > Brindabella Christian College for Years 4-6 at its Charnwood Campus
- > Taqwa School for Years 5 and 6.

Minister's Student Congress

The Minister's Student Congress (MSC) provides ACT public school students with the opportunity to discuss important educational issues directly with the Minister for Education.

In June 2016, the 8th MSC was held at the Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching and Learning with over 100 students in attendance. The Congress Executive presented their report to the Minister after the Congress. The report reflected the considerable achievements of the MSC in the previous year and recommended that the MSC continue to be used to further empower youth and provide a student voice to public school students.

Key achievements for MSC members throughout the reporting period include presenting at the numerous government and community events such as the Canberra Public Schools Leadership Summit, the CSD Youth Think Tank, and the ACT Carers Expo.

ACT Safe Schools Roundtable

The Safe Schools Roundtable is an advisory body which considers issues relating to the National Safe Schools Framework and provides a forum for ongoing consultation with stakeholders. Stakeholders include the Directorate, ACT school principals, Catholic Education Office, representatives from the Association of Independent Schools, the ACT Council of Parents and Citizens' Associations, Association of Parents and Friends, Australian Education Union, Australian Federal Police, Independent Education Union, Youth Advisory Council, Human Rights Commission, Community Services Directorate, Minister's Student Congress.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education

The Education Directorate continued to actively engage with the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities through initiatives including the following:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Officers (IEOs)

There are currently 11 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Officers (IEOs) employed across 13 ACT public schools. The role of the IEO is to support students through key transition points in their education, build connections and relationships between schools, families and communities, and support students and teachers in the school environment.

Reconciliation Action Plans

The Narragunnawali: Reconciliation in Schools and Early Learning program was officially launched in Adelaide in May 2015. The new program provides schools with a less formal and more flexible approach to developing and implementing Reconciliation Action Plans (RAPs).

Twelve ACT public schools reported to have RAPs in place and a further 57 schools are in the process of developing one. RAPs are based on three key elements of relationships, respect and opportunities and outline practical actions to build strong relationships to enhance respect between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians.

Representative bodies

The Education Directorate regularly meets with the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Consultative Group and the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body to discuss local and national educational issues and directions.

The Rotary Club of Canberra City, in conjunction with the Education Directorate, has held the Canberra CareersXpo over a number of years. The CareersXpo is a major service for young people, families and the wider community looking to explore further education, training and employment options or a career change.

In August 2015, approximately 8,000 students from the ACT and regional NSW visited the CareersXpo held at Exhibition Park, Canberra. More than 80 exhibitors represented universities employer groups, training providers, apprenticeships, trades, private providers and government agencies.

Planning Future Pathways Expo was run in conjunction with the CareersXpo. The exhibitors provided information about disability services, planning career pathways, employability skills, further education and training, volunteering, recreation and community participation.

The Indigenous Employment Exhibition featured various businesses, training providers and government agencies and provided information about career and education opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the ACT.

WorldSkills Australia's 'Try a Skill' was available to students who wanted to try their hand at trades and skills including hairdressing and beauty therapy, fitness, surveying and mapping, automotive, brick and block laying, horticulture, floristry, baking, bookkeeping, first aid, aged care, business technology services and hospitality.

Major Partnerships

The Education Directorate has a range of specific partnerships with business and community groups that support education and celebrate with excellence among ACT public schools.

In this reporting period, programs from major partnerships included:

- > Public Education Foundation – a scholarship for ACT public schools – six scholarships awarded – one is for University level study
 - > Capital Chemist – a scholarship program for year 11 ACT public college students – 34 scholarships awarded
 - > Country Women's Association – a scholarship program for all ACT year 11 students – six scholarships awarded
 - > Paperchain Bookstore, Manuka – sponsors the Chief Minister's Reading Challenge for all ACT schools and Year 10 Excellence Awards for ACT public schools
 - > The Fred Hollows Foundation – an award program for all ACT primary school students
 - > Canberra Refugee Support – a scholarship program for ACT public school students
 - > Rotary Club of Canberra City
 - > Vikings Group
 - > Binuti Construction Pty Ltd
 - > Hawker Brownlow Education
 - > Teachers Mutual Bank
 - > ACT Children's Week
 - > the Returned Services League of Australia Woden Valley Sub-Branch Incorporated
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- > Canberra Institute of Technology; and
- > Surveying and Spatial Science Institute.

School Volunteer Program – ACT Incorporated	The School Volunteer Program ACT (SVPACT) recruits, trains and manages volunteers who mentor students in ACT public schools. The program is governed by a committee consisting of current and former principals, teachers and volunteers with many years experience in community service. The committee organises regular training and networking opportunities for the SVPACT volunteers.
Public Education Week 2016	<p>Public Education Week is an annual celebration held across Australia to celebrate the achievements of teachers, support staff, students and the community. In 2016, Public Education Week is held from the 20 -27 May.</p> <p>Public Education Week is used to raise awareness of the public education system and the achievement of our schools, their teachers, staff, students as well as community.</p>
Children’s Education ACT (CEACT) Forum	Each year Children’s Education ACT organises and participates in a range of educative forums and deliberative forums with the early childhood sector. The forum is made up of representatives from both the education and care sector and other ACT Government Directorates. The forum is an important mechanism for coordinating sector-wide advice to the Minister, and for initiating responses to common issues across the sector. In this reporting period CEACTION collaborated with Communities@Work to present <i>Achieving the NQF Symposium</i> .
Education and Care Sector meetings	Education and Care Sector meetings were held in August 2015, November 2015 and March 2016. Education and Care Sector stakeholders attend the meetings, which cover topical issues in the sector, with a focus over recent years on developing a strong understanding of the National Quality Framework.
Children’s Education and Care Assurance Newsletters	Monthly newsletters are distributed to the sector providing a range of topical and important information.
School Capital Works	During 2015-16, the Education Directorate continued stakeholder consultation on the planning, design and construction of capital works projects for new and existing schools and childcare centres. The Education Directorate engaged with external stakeholders on capital works projects. Internal consultations were also undertaken with school principals, school boards and school Parents and Citizens (P&C) Associations on planned works at schools and master plans, and with childcare centre operators on planned works at childcare centres.
Traffic and parking consultations	The Education Directorate actively involves school communities – including school staff, school boards and P&C Associations – in consultation regarding traffic and parking at schools. Consultation occurs through meetings with stakeholders specifically on traffic and parking, through regular school meetings such as school board meetings and through inviting comment on traffic reports. In responding to feedback from school communities, the Education Directorate works across Government Directorates, particularly Territory and Municipal Services, Health and Justice and Community Safety Directorates.

Environment and Planning Directorate

The Environment and Planning Directorate includes community engagement as an integral part of the development of policies, strategies and plans. Our community engagement follows the ACT Government's policies and guidelines. We use a range of media to raise awareness about consultations, including: media releases; ACT Government and directorate websites, newsletters and social media; *The Canberra Times* and weekly magazines.

For localised consultations, such as master plans, we distribute postcards or newsletters to letterboxes in the surrounding suburbs. In recognition that people like to interact with government in different ways, apart from an online presence, we also hold 'meet the planners' sessions, workshops, displays and presentations at community organisations such as community councils or residents' associations. We engage with young people through workshops at primary and secondary schools and with youth groups.

The Environment and Planning Directorate seeks community feedback in a number of ways, including online and paper feedback forms, surveys, general email, mail correspondence and/or at face-to-face events. For major engagements, we prepare formal consultation reports documenting the feedback we receive.

Project	Summary
Draft ACT Climate Change Adaptation Strategy – Living with a Warming Climate	<p>The ACT Government prepared a draft ACT Climate Change Adaptation Strategy: Living with a Warming Climate to help our city and region adapt to local climate change impacts.</p> <p>The draft Strategy was released for six weeks of public consultation from 22 February 2016 to 3 April 2016.</p> <p>Participation by the community included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">> making written submissions> completing an online questionnaire> attending stakeholder workshops> attending presentations to community councils and other organisations. <p>Community members were able to talk to policy officers at the Royal Canberra Show and stalls in Garema Place, and provide comments on purpose-designed postcard comment cards (postcards) found at information displays in all of the ACT public libraries.</p> <p>Nearly 830 people participated in consultation activities as part of this community engagement process, with an estimated 400 more seeking information about the draft strategy and consultation.</p>

Energy Efficiency Improvement Scheme	<p>EPD undertook extensive consultation on proposed changes to the Energy Efficiency Improvement Scheme. Activities included:</p> <p>a stakeholder forum in September 2015, which attracted 57 registrations - the EEIS Stakeholder Forum Report on Results¹ shows support for the future direction of the EEIS</p> <p>consultation of stakeholders on the review of the Priority Household Target (early 2016)</p> <p>emailing the EEIS Stakeholder Consultation on 2016 Activities Update² to all energy efficiency scheme stakeholders in Victoria, New South Wales and the ACT - it included details on all proposed activities and invited feedback</p> <p>the EEIS Stakeholder Forum (April 2016) with 68 stakeholders attending, including energy retailers, abatement providers, government agencies, industry peak bodies and non-government organisations including both environment and social services groups</p> <p>17 written responses to the proposals, which were combined with feedback from workshop discussions and considered when developing new EEIS activities and updating notifiable and disallowable instruments.</p> <p>In general, feedback from stakeholders emphasise support for continuation, competitiveness, harmonisation and simplicity.</p>
Environment and Planning Directorate / Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand Seminar Series	<p>This interactive seminar series showcases perspectives on common sustainability issues.</p> <p>Each seminar presents views from the ACT Government and from a private environment-based expert with the aim of supporting innovative ideas, targeted learning, professional development and networking.</p> <p>Topics covered in the first three seminars were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > how the ACT Electricity grid will be 90% renewable by 2020 and what that means for Australia > 2015 ACT State of the Environment Report – A key document for decision makers conserving ACT Heritage.
ACT Waste Feasibility Study: Community Reference Group and Commercial Reference Group	<p>EPD sought community views as part of the ACT Waste Feasibility Study, covering topics such as potential new waste services, infrastructure and proposed regulatory changes.</p> <p>The Community Reference group is largely composed of community members and representatives of organisations such as the Conservation Council. The Commercial reference group is largely composed of waste industry representatives.</p> <p>Meetings with each group were held bi-monthly between November 2015 and June 2016.</p> <p>Consultation is expected to continue into 2016–17 and beyond as the Territory implements the Waste Management and Resource Recovery</p>

¹ http://www.environment.act.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/798232/EEIS-Report-on-EEIS-Stakeholder-Forum,-3-September-2015.pdf

² http://www.environment.act.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/857789/ACT-EEIS-Stakeholder-Consultation-on-2016-activities-update-report-2.pdf

Bill 2016, rolls out a third bin service and releases a 10-year waste infrastructure plan.

Pest Animals Declaration

This was a broad public consultation in relation to proposed new and amended provisions for a Pest Animals Declaration to be made under the *Pest Plants and Animals Act 2005*. The purpose of the proposed provisions is to:

- > declare nationally-agreed noxious fish species and Redfin Perch as pest animals in the ACT
- > remove unnecessary legal impediments to land managers undertaking feral cat control (as agreed by all Australian environment ministers on 15 July 2015)
- > declare additional deer species as pest animals
- > change the declaration status of the European Wasp and European Red Fox to pest animals that are prohibited from supply or keeping.

The consultation was conducted through Time to Talk, commencing 20 November 2015 and concluding 15 January 2016. Fifty submissions were received and analysed.

A regulatory impact statement is in preparation for consideration by the Minister for Planning and Land Management.

ACT and Region Catchment Strategy

The draft ACT and Region Catchment Strategy was prepared under the auspices of the ACT and Region Catchment Management Coordination Group, a newly established cross-border multi-jurisdictional body established by the ACT Government to promote enhanced coordination, cooperation and collaboration in catchment management in the ACT region.

There were two phases of public consultation. The first phase targeted environmental, community, industry and regional development organisations, catchment groups, local councils and government bodies to ensure they were informed about the strategy development process and able to provide input according to their interests.

This was done through:

- > engaging independent consultants to facilitate the consultation and engagement process
- > establishing an officer level working group
- > conducting regional workshops in Murrumbateman, Queanbeyan and Cooma
- > 10 targeted stakeholder meetings
- > a public online survey of community values to catchment management conducted by the University of Canberra.

The ACT Government sponsored a regional natural resource management forum by the Upper Murrumbidgee Catchment Management Coordinating Committee (UMCCC) that addressed issues raised in the development of the Catchment Strategy.

The second phase, formal consultation on the draft Catchment Strategy, was open from 10 April to 18 May 2016. The draft Strategy was accompanied by a draft prospectus detailing actions to be implemented under the draft Strategy.

Consultation used the government's timetotalk.act.gov.au and the directorate's haveyoursay.planning.act.gov.au web portals to facilitate

consultation and encourage feedback through written submissions or by completing an online survey.

Well-patronised stakeholder workshops, held in Jerrabomberra and the Tuggeranong Town Centre, were co-hosted by the Upper Murrumbidgee Catchment Management Coordination Committee and the ACT Division of the Australian Water Association.

The independent Chair of the Coordination Group also held meetings with NSW Minister for Primary Industries, NSW Parliamentary Secretary for SE NSW, local NSW members of parliament and senior NSW government officials.

ACT Water Resource Plan

The draft ACT Water Resource Plan is intended to meet the requirements of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan as required under the *Water Act 2007* (Cwlth).

Development of the plan included two stages of consultation. The first stage involved consultation with: Icon Water and Queanbeyan City Council; Indigenous representatives; NSW Government; a risk stakeholder group including representatives from UMCCC, Uni of Canberra and ANU; water quality experts; ACT Government; and Rural Leaseholders. Consultation ensured stakeholders were informed about the ACT Water Resource Plan development process and were able to provide input during that process. This was done through:

- > meetings with organisational representatives, as required
- > undertaking the Aboriginal Waterways Assessment project, as well as numerous group and individual meetings
- > circulation on three occasions of drafts of the ACT Water Resource Plan for comment.

The second stage, formal consultation on the draft ACT Water Resource Plan, was open from 15 June to 15 July 2016. Consultation used the ACT Government's web portal to show the consultation sessions and how to make feedback.

A summary of the draft ACT Water Resource Plan was online and the draft ACT Water Resource Plan Comprehensive Report and Index and Tables, were available on request.

Community consultation sessions were held in Civic (June 2016) and Belconnen Town Centre. The Belconnen session was co-hosted by the ACT Division of the Australian Water Association.

The ACT Regional Landcare Facilitator program

The Program supports the development of a skilled and capable Landcare community in the ACT. Community engagement highlights included workshops, field days and training for rural landholders, such as:

- > the 'Soils for Food, Fibre and Environment' day held on 16 October 2015, attracting 100 ACT and NSW rural landholders.
- > the 'Grazing in El Nino Farm Walk' on 27 November 2015, which attracted 36 participants.
- > Whole Property Planning workshops and four sessions of the BetterGrow BetterGraze program.

Activities to engage members of urban Landcare and ParkCare Community, included:

- > ACT ParkCare forum 'Community Voices in Reserve Management', held in partnership with the Parks and Conservation Service on 4–5 September 2015
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- > the 5th Annual Landcare for Singles event in partnership with Greening Australia on 22 May 2016; 65 single people planted more than 400 native trees to support revegetation of box gum woodlands.
- > promoting Landcare at: the ACT Volunteering Expo, 23 September; the Connect and Participate Expo, 19 March 2016; the ACT Woodlands Celebration, 2 April 2016.

ACT Landcare Awards

The Landcare Awards celebrate the achievements of the diverse ACT Landcare and ParkCare community, including volunteers, farmers, those working in sustainable agriculture, Landcare and natural resource management. The awards, held 12 November 2015, were funded by Landcare Australia with support from the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme. The 2015 ACT Landcare Award Winners were:

- > Australian Government Individual Landcarer Award – Wendy Rainbird, Farrer Ridge ParkCare Group
- > Australian Government Partnerships with Landcare Award – The ACT Woodland Restoration Program, ACT Government/Greening Australia
- > Australian Government Innovation in Sustainable Farm Practices Award – John Starr, Gold Greek Station
- > Australian Government Landcare Facilitator or Coordinator Award – Martin Lind, Waterwatch Coordinator, Southern ACT Catchment Group
- > Fairfax Landcare Community Group Award – Mt Taylor ParkCare Group
- > Junior Landcare Team Award – Wanniasa Hills Primary School
- > Indigenous Land Corporation Land Management Award – Wally Bell, Coordinator, Malangang Aboriginal Landcare Group
- > Manpower Young Landcare Leader Award – Ian Rayner, Greening Australia Capital Region
- > ACT Government Environment Community Support Award – Fiona Spier, President, Friends of Tidbinbilla
- > Inaugural ACT Government Citizen Science Award – The ACT and Region Frogwatch Program, Ginninderra Catchment Group
- > The People's Choice Award – Canberra Nature Map.

ACT Biodiversity Adaptation Pathways Project

The goal of the ACT Biodiversity Adaptation Pathways Project was to consider how long-term drivers of change (such as climate change and social values) influence appropriate adaptation responses in biodiversity conservation.

Exploration of adaptation options focused on four broad themes in regional conservation:

- > woodlands
- > grasslands
- > river corridors and wetlands
- > knowledge management.

The project was delivered through two participatory-based workshops (October–November 2015) with subject-matter experts spanning government and community perspectives including representatives

from decision-making bodies in the ACT and NSW, not-for-profit conservation groups, researchers and community groups.

The process integrated two distinct methodologies—scenario planning and adaptation pathways—to explore contrasting, plausible future scenarios for the region, and then develop flexible and appropriate responses for adapting to future change.

Participants successfully envisioned distinct regional futures, then developed appropriate adaptation responses to assist with biodiversity conservation.

Through the process, regional stakeholders co-created knowledge relating to:

- > how biodiversity is currently valued in the ACT and Region
- > how future climate and/or social expectations may change in the future
- > how management and policy options can help biodiversity adapt to future change.

Story Maps Training Workshop

ACT Natural Resource Management (NRM) hosted two full-day workshops (12–13 May) to expose partners in community and government to innovative new spatial planning tools and web-based communication products.

Both days were led by Terrain NRM, the Regional NRM Organisation for the Wet Tropics in Queensland, which has a growing reputation for innovation in the NRM planning space. The first workshop was structured around two information sessions—‘Spatial Tools Show and Tell’ and a ‘Story Map Demo’ where Terrain NRM provided an overview of how their spatial planning tools are used by community project partners, and gave a tour of how Terrain NRM is using Story Maps to communicate place-based stories.

The second workshop provided hands-on training in the construction of Story Maps for both community and government partners. These workshops helped demonstrate that Story Maps will be a useful tool for helping ACT NRM and our community project partners to communicate on-ground achievements.

Practical guidance on planning for climate adaptation

This hands-on workshop (28 June 2015) provided timely input into multiple regional NRM planning processes in the form of practical guidance on planning for climate adaptation. It was attended by all three community-led catchment groups, who will soon be updating strategic plans, and ACT Government’s Conservation Research unit, which is in the process of updating an aquatics strategy.

Staff from CSIRO presented on an NRM Adaptation Planning Framework developed through the Murray Basin Cluster Project, which provided a practical approach to take participants from visions to actions using an interactive workshop that used participants’ own assets.

Draft ACT NRM Investment Prospectus (2013–23)

A draft ACT NRM Investment Plan (2013–23) was developed through a consultative process to provide strategic direction for NRM activity in the ACT region. The final Investment Plan will be a ‘living document’ on ACT NRM’s website that will be updated to reflect new partnerships and opportunities. The draft Investment Plan is aligned to Australian Government and ACT policies and priorities through objectives identified for each of the three Investment Priority areas: sustainable agriculture; biodiversity adaptation; Aboriginal NRM. The Investment Plan sets out current and future investment priorities to guide the work

of ACT NRM, including how the regional body works through delivery partners to achieve outcomes.

To date, the following consultation on the Investment Plan has occurred with the NRM community:

- > Investment Prospectus Discussion Paper (18 February 2016)
- > Three expert advisory council workshops (October and December 2015, February 2016)
- > Consultation meetings with ACT Government (various line areas)
- > Community Groups (Landcare ACT, Catchment Groups, Parkcare group convenors, traditional owners, Greening Australia, rural landholders)
- > Industry and researchers (Universities, CSIRO, agronomists)
- > Others (NSW Government and Local Land Services, Commonwealth Government)
- > ACT NRM will continue to consult the NRM community in the ACT and region on all components of the plan, and aim to finalise the Investment Plan by the end of 2016.

Scarlet Robin Action Plan

On 20 May 2015, the Minister for Environment declared the Scarlet Robin (*Petroica boodang*) to be a vulnerable species at risk of premature extinction in the ACT in the next 25–50 years due to a serious population decline.

In December 2015, under the *Nature Conservation Act 2014*, the Conservator of Flora and Fauna resolved to prepare an action plan to reverse the observed decline in abundance of the species.

The five objectives of the action plan are:

- > identify, protect and restore critical breeding and foraging habitat for survival of the species in the ACT
- > manage critical habitat to conserve the species in response to the identified threats
- > promote and support the survey, monitoring and research of the species in the ACT to better understand its ecology and conservation needs
- > co-operate with state and local government agencies in formulating and implementing conservation measures
- > increase community awareness of the need to protect the species in its habitat in the ACT and engage in community-based conservation action.

Consultation (4 April to 18 May 2016) was conducted through Time to Talk, publicised through the media, social media and advertised in *The Canberra Times*.

Five submissions were received and analysed. The action plan is due to be finalised in the new financial year.

General Environment Protection Policy

Environment Protection Policies (EPP) are made under the *Environment Protection Act 1997 (the Act)* and explain how the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) administers and applies the Act and associated regulations.

The General EPP is part of a series of eight EPPs that include Air Quality, Water Quality, Contaminated Sites, Noise, Motor Sports Noise, Outdoor Concerts Noise and Hazardous Materials.

The EPA released the updated draft General EPP 2015 for public consultation for 40 days, in accordance with the Act, with written submissions sought until 23 December 2015.

The media strategy included a media release, public notice in *The Canberra Times*, advertising on the Time to Talk website, in the *Our Canberra* newsletter and a whole-of-government notice. Paper copies were provided to public libraries, the Canberra Business Council, the Conservation Council ACT Region, the Environmental Defenders' Office and the Commissioner of Sustainability and the Environment.

Two submissions were received during the consultation period with changes incorporated as a result. The general EPP was finalised and approved by the Minister for the Environment and gazetted on 27 May 2016. <http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/ni/2016-253/default.asp>

City and Gateway Urban Renewal Strategy

EPD invited the Canberra community to inform the City and Gateway Urban Renewal Strategy to ensure that the City and Gateway Corridor becomes an even better place to live, work and visit.

The City and Gateway Urban Renewal Strategy Discussion Paper was open for community consultation from 18 January until 14 March 2016. 'Meet the Planner' sessions occurred at the, National Multicultural Festival (12, 14 and 16 February) Dickson Group Centre (20 February), O'Connor Local Centre (26 February) and Ainslie Local Centre (27 February). A stakeholder briefing and a stakeholder workshop were held respectively on 26 April and 10 May.

Feedback was received via, 'Meet the Planner' sessions (6), stakeholder workshops (2), online surveys (104), and hard copy forms (3). 44 post-it notes were collected from 'Meet the Planner' sessions and 20 letters/emails were received to inform the community's aspirations for the corridor.

Master Plan Program

- > Belconnen Town Centre
- > Calwell Group Centre
- > Curtin Group Centre
- > Kippax Group Centre
- > Tharwa Rural Village

Community engagement for all master plans aims to inform, consult and involve key stakeholders and the community at important stages of the planning process.

The master plan project team engages with businesses, building owners and lessees, community groups and residents to ensure concerns and aspirations are understood for the development of each master plan, particularly at:

- > the initial discussion phase, which determines the community's ideas and concerns and informs the draft master plan
- > the draft master plan phase, which informs the final master plan.

Consultation provides the community with an opportunity to comment online and to meet with planners face-to-face at each stage of the master plan development, usually at a time and place convenient to the community such as the relevant shopping centre. The master plan team also presents to local community councils and interested community groups.

A range of media is used to publicise engagements, including: media releases; the ACT Government's websites, newsletters and social media (including the Time to Talk website and *Our Canberra*); the Directorate's Have Your Say website, Facebook page and Twitter feed; and *The Canberra Times*.

A community engagement report that details feedback and how it has been incorporated in the plan is produced for each centre for each stage of consultation.

Potential new neighbourhood in West Greenway

The ACT Government is investigating the possibility of developing land to the west of the Tuggeranong Town Centre to boost the economy of the centre and provide greater housing choice in the district. The area is valued for its environmental significance and its role as a hub for community recreation.

Following a media release, consultation was conducted using the online engagement tool, haveyoursay.Planning.act.gov.au.

More than 250 people responded to the online survey and forum and about 60 submissions were made by individuals and organisations. The Government also met with 10 stakeholders in or near the proposed development.

An engagement report is available. Government is considering the next steps in the community engagement process.

Light Rail Network

The draft Light Rail Network is the ACT Government's vision for a modern transport system that showcases Canberra as a prosperous, sustainable and liveable city.

The draft Light Rail Network shows six future stages of the light rail network—a 25-year vision that highlights the opportunities and drivers for building convenient and reliable light rail across our city.

The draft was released by EPD for community consultation from October 2015 to December 2016 and publicised through the media, ACT Government and directorate websites and social media. The consultation was hosted on haveyoursay.Planning.act.gov.au.

Almost 900 people completed the survey or made a written submission to comment on the draft Light Rail Network. A full engagement report is anticipated to be made publicly available in the next months.

Heritage Strategy

A five year ACT Heritage Strategy is being developed in response to recommendations of the Heritage Review Report. The strategy will build upon and improve the ACT's existing heritage framework, setting a clear direction for the Government to conserve and integrate heritage into Canberra's future growth and development, enhancing a sense of pride, and engaging new audiences in the stories and celebration of our past.

A Discussion Paper was launched by Minister Gentleman, with consultation open from 12 February to 2016 to 29 March 2016. The discussion paper was publicised through the media, the directorate's website and social media accounts and ACT Government newsletters. The consultation was hosted on the directorate's haveyoursay.planning.act.gov.au community engagement website. Comments received during consultation are being considered in the preparation of the draft strategy, which will be released for public consultation in the new financial year.

During the six-week period of public consultation 22 formal submissions were received, 13 people attended one of two drop-in sessions and 11 people engaged with online forums and surveys.

Canberra and Region Heritage Festival

The 2016 Canberra and Region Heritage Festival focused on the theme 'Discovery and rediscoveries'.

During the planning stage, consultation with a range of local heritage organisations and Government stakeholders included:

- > the ACT Heritage Library
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- > ACTSmart
- > Australian National Botanical Gardens
- > Canberra and District Historical Society
- > Canberra Railway Museum Endangered Heritage
- > Hall School Museum
- > Jane Austen Festival
- > Military re-enactment
- > National Archives of Australia
- > National Trust
- > National Capital Authority
- > Territory and Municipal Services Directorate
- > the Woodlands and Wetlands Trust.

This enabled the coordination and scheduling of events and activities, providing a well-balanced program with minimal conflicting activities.

The two-week festival attracted over 20,000 visitors. The Festival continues to reach new audiences with 63% of surveyed participants stating they had not previously attended a Heritage Festival event.

Following the Festival, a debrief was undertaken with event organisers to provide feedback on their experience and to discuss planning opportunities and constraints for the 2017 Festival.

ACT Heritage Council decisions to provisionally register:

- > Blue Range Internment Camp, Coree
 - > Sherwood Homestead Complex, Coree
 - > Northbourne Housing Precinct Representative Sample, Lyneham and Dickson
 - > Honeysuckle Creek Tracking Station, Tennent
 - > Orroral Valley Tracking Station, Rendezvous Creek
 - > Starlight Drive-in Theatre Sign, Watson
 - > Orroral Geodetic Observatory, Tennent
 - > Historic Timber Bus Shelters of the ACT
 - > Greenhills Ruin, Stromlo
 - > John Fowler Road Locomotive 16161
 - > Jefferis and Whelen Historical Documentation of Canberra
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Before being placed on the ACT Heritage Register, a place or object goes through a three step process of nomination, provisional registration and registration. These steps are determined by the *Heritage Act 2004*.

Provisional registration allows for a four-week period of public consultation before a decision on full registration is made.

Within five working days of making a decision about provisional registration, the ACT Heritage Council (the Council) publishes a notice on the ACT Legislation Register. It also advertises the notice in a local daily newspaper or on an ACT Government public consultation website (www.act.gov.au/publicnotices) as soon as practicable. The Council endeavours to give a copy of the notice to each interested person (such as the owner, nominator, Representative Aboriginal Organisations etc) within ten working days of the decision.

The notice invites public comment about the provisional registration within four weeks. The Council considers any comments received when deciding whether to register the place or object.

As soon as practicable after the public consultation period, the Council reports to the Minister about whether it considers the place or object should be registered. It also advises the Minister about any issues raised in public comments and any proposed changes to the provisional registration arising from these issues. The Minister may ask the Council to further consider the issues raised in its report.

Aboriginal Heritage Assessment and Management:

- > West Belconnen Riverview – Conservation and management of an Aboriginal scarred tree
- > Mt Majura Solar Farm – Aboriginal heritage investigation and salvage
- > Denman Prospect Stage 1B urban development – Aboriginal conservation outcomes
- > ACT Heritage Aboriginal collection – recording and analysis
- > Throsby residential development – Aboriginal scarred tree
- > Outward Bound - Aboriginal scarred tree conservation and interpretation project
- > Lyall Gillespie Collection – Hall Museum
- > Taylor scarred tree
- > Aboriginal Taskforce and RAO meeting

Traditional Custodians have been the caretakers of the region now known as the ACT for tens of thousands of years, with archaeological sites in the region dating back at least 25,000 years. The Aboriginal cultural heritage of the ACT takes many forms, from the continued spiritual connection to Country to tangible places and objects which reflect this long-term connection.

The Heritage Act 2004 provides protection for all Aboriginal places and objects within the ACT, and also requires that Representative Aboriginal Organisations (RAOs) are consulted on a range of Aboriginal heritage assessment and management matters. Four RAOs have been declared, being:

- > Buru Ngunawal Aboriginal Corporation
- > Little Gudgenby River Tribal Council
- > King Brown Tribal Group and
- > Ngarigu Currawong Clan.

ACT Heritage regularly consults with RAOs on proposals that may affect Aboriginal cultural heritage, ranging from new urban developments to the management of Aboriginal collections. The aim of this consultation is to ensure that Aboriginal perspectives on cultural significance and culturally appropriate outcomes are understood, and are reflected in proposed heritage outcomes. An Aboriginal Liaison Officer forms part of the ACT Heritage team, reflecting the importance placed on consultation and engagement with the RAOs and the broader Aboriginal community.

ACT Heritage also reviews all *Heritage Act 2004* applications and development application referrals to ensure proponents and heritage practitioners have consulted with RAOs on proposals that may affect Aboriginal cultural heritage. ACT Heritage is also currently developing a RAO Consultation Policy to provide clear guidance on Aboriginal consultation and engagement requirements in the ACT.

Improving the ACT Building Regulatory System Review

The ACT Government is taking action to strengthen the regulation and integrity of the ACT building industry with reforms to the ACT building regulatory system. The review was to ensure the regulatory system remains effective and keeps pace with changes in industry and community expectations for the built environment.

Consultation was based on a discussion paper that looked at six areas of reform:

- > design and documentation
- > stage inspections and on-site supervision
- > builders licensing
- > contracts for residential buildings and building work
- > project funding, payment claims and retentions
- > alternative dispute resolution for residential building disputes.

Consultation on the proposals ran from 23 November to 12 February 2016.

The consultation was hosted on haveyoursay.planning.act.gov.au and was publicised through: the media; Government channels including *Our Canberra*, TimetoTalk.act.gov.au; directorate social media; and stakeholder networks. Four public workshops and two community

forums were held, including a forum co-hosted with the Owners Corporation Network ACT.

Feedback was submitted via email, paper submissions, an online survey and forum, and the face to face workshops. The Directorate received 32 written submissions and 67 responses to the online survey.

Draft Variations to the Territory Plan

Consultation on draft variations to the Territory Plan is required under the *Planning and Development Act 2007*. The proponent for the variation is required to provide a consultation report when seeking a draft variation. The draft variation is then notified for six weeks. A range of media is used to publicise the draft variation consultation, including: media releases; local media; posting on the Government's Time to Talk website and the Directorate's website, Facebook page and Twitter feed. Where relevant, presentations are made to the local community council.

Following consultation, EPD prepares a report for the Minister for Planning and Land Management and a recommendation made as to whether to proceed. The Minister may choose to reject the draft variation, table it in the Legislative Assembly or refer it to the Standing Committee on Planning, Environment and Territory and Municipal Services.

The following draft variations were notified in 2015–16:

- > DV351 - West Belconnen Urban Development Belconnen District. Notified from 22 May to 6 July 2015.
 - > DV341 - Gungahlin Bus Station - change to Public Land 'Pe' urban open space overlay for part of Boulevard Park, Gungahlin Town Centre. Notified from 10 November to 23 December 2015.
 - > DV340 - Holt, Structure Plan, Concept Plan, Holt Precinct Code and Zone Changes. Notified from 6 November to 21 December 2015.
 - > DV337 - Greenway, ACT Government Land Release Programme. Notified from 7 November to 19 December 2015.
 - > DV335 - Charnwood, ACT Government Land Release Programme. Notified from 7 November to 19 December 2015.
 - > DV334 - Red Hill - ACT Public Housing Redevelopments. Notified from 2 July to 31 August 2015. DV334 was one of seven draft variations included in the omnibus variations on behalf of the Economic Development and Community Services directorates to assist in the redevelopment of public housing.
 - > DV333 - Griffith - ACT Public Housing Redevelopments. Notified from 2 July to 17 August 2015. DV333 was one of seven draft variations included in the omnibus variations on behalf of the Economic Development and Community Services directorates to assist in the redevelopment of public housing.
 - > DV332 - Narrabundah - ACT Public Housing Redevelopments. Notified from 3 July to 17 August 2015. DV332 was one of seven draft variations included in the omnibus variations on behalf of the Economic Development and Community Services directorates to assist in the redevelopment of public housing.
 - > DV339 - Kaleen - ACT Public Housing Redevelopments. Notified from 2 July 2015 to 17 August 2015.
 - > DV346 - Residential Solar Access Provisions. Notified from 18 February to 7 April 2016.
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- > DV353 – A miscellaneous variation to the Territory Plan to change various zone development tables, development codes and definitions. Notified from 18 May to 4 July 2016.
 - > DV349 - Public Land Overlay and Zone Changes for Pinnacle Extension and Justice Robert Hope Park. Notified from 11 May to 24 June 2016.
 - > DV329 - Weston Group Centre. Notified from 16 January to 16 March 2016. Incorporates the recommendations of the recently endorsed Weston Group Centre master plan.
 - > DV328 – Oaks Estate. Notified from 16 January to 16 March 2015. Implements changes to the Territory Plan to implement the Oaks Estate Master Plan.
 - > DV347 – University of Canberra master plan. Notified from 14 May to 29 June 2015. Implements changes to the Territory Plan to implement the University of Canberra Master Plan.
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THE COMMISSIONER FOR SUSTAINABILITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment (CSE) takes a two-pronged approach to community engagement; direct engagement with directorates and community and increased web and social media presence. A comprehensive communications, publicity and promotions strategy has been developed for the Commissioner's office which supports our work with a range of stakeholders including academics, government and local environmental groups as well as reaching out to the general community. Special effort will continue to be made towards connecting with young people through schools, universities and youth oriented environmental groups.

Increasingly, the CSE website and social media platforms are providing a vehicle for engagement, particularly with those less likely to access conventional environment and sustainability messages and information.

A focus of our communication and engagement over the last year has been to update the website and to more actively use social media to engage with the community on environmental and sustainability issues, with the State of the Environment report as a key vehicle for messages.

Both our Facebook Page, *Living Sustainably ACT*, and Twitter feed are demonstrating increased traffic. The Office is holding a seminar for Facebook user information.

Youth advocacy and community engagement

The project sits within the broader community engagement work of the office and focuses particularly on young people within the context of intergenerational equity.

Project	Summary
ANU, Fenner School students	<p>Senior manager presentation to Fenner School of Environment and Society students regarding a potential project with the office.</p> <p>Supervising a group of students to undertake a communications related project for the ACT in October 2015 with the students presenting project outcomes to Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment (CSE) staff.</p>

Parliament of Youth for Sustainability

The focus of this year's project was on reducing Canberra's ecological footprint. The parliament was held at ANU on 30 May 2016.

CSE has supported the project since its inception in 2012 by:

- > preparing and making available to teachers and students, materials on the ACT ecological footprint report
 - > presenting to teachers and students on aspects of the ACT ecological footprint
 - > the Commissioner spoke at the session and presented prizes on the day.
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Health Directorate

ACT Health recognises that building an effective healthcare system requires genuine collaboration between consumers, carers and ACT Health staff. ACT Health is committed to providing opportunities for consumers and carers—those who are most affected by healthcare services—to influence the development, delivery and review of services. Increasing the participation of consumers and carers in health care is fundamental to building strong partnerships. The quality of care ACT Health provides is higher as a result of meaningful consumer and carer involvement in policy development and planning of health services.

ACT Health already has in place an extensive range of established practices and initiatives that demonstrate its ongoing commitment to consumer and carer participation. Examples of these include:

- > Listening and Learning: Consumer Feedback Policy and Standards
- > Relationships with consumer advocacy agencies through service funding agreements
- > Respecting Patient's Choices program.

Project	Summary
ACT Maternity Hand Held Record	The maternity hand-held record work was undertaken in consultation with the Maternity Services Advisory Network which includes representation from Health Care Consumers' Association (HCCA).
Development of the ACT Health Consumer and Carer Participation Guide	<p>The project to develop the ACT Health Consumer and Carer Participation Guide has been undertaken in partnership with Carers ACT, Health Care Consumers' Association, and ACT Mental Health Consumer Network.</p> <p>The partnership has developed a draft ACT Health Consumer and Carer Participation Guide.</p>
Consultation on development of the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan	<p>The draft ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan: priorities for the next five years 2016-2020 was released for public consultation via the ACT Government's consultation website Time to Talk, from 1 April 2016 to 13 May 2016.</p> <p>Responses were received from 18 health and community service organisations. Feedback from the consultation process is being used to inform development of the final document, due for release in late 2016.</p>
Draft ACT Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Strategy 2016-20	<p>The draft ACT Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Strategy 2016-20 was released for public consultation via ACT Government's Time to Talk website from Friday 6 November to Thursday 17 December 2015.</p> <p>Approximately 26 people/organisations provided feedback which was considered and changes incorporated where relevant. This work was led by the Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Strategy Evaluation Group chaired by ACT Health.</p> <p>The group includes representation from the community sector and Government through the Community Services Directorate, Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate, the Justice and Community Safety Directorate and ACT Policing.</p>
Mental Health Amendment Bill 2016	The development of this Bill was supported by an Advisory committee comprised of a mental health consumer, mental health carer, and

	<p>representatives from ACT Corrective Services, ACT Forensic Mental Health Service, Human Rights Commission, CSD Child and Youth Protection Services.</p> <p>A broader consultation was undertaken with the draft Bill and draft Explanatory Statement and included round table discussions for mental health consumers and separately for mental health carers.</p> <p>The feedback from these forums led to changes that improved the draft of the Bill.</p>
Mental Health (Secure Facilities) Bill 2016	<p>The development of the Bill was guided by regular roundtable discussions with a number of organisations.</p> <p>Discussions detailed conversations with specific organisations and their particular focus. This included the Mental Health Consumer Network, Carers ACT, Mental Health Community Coalition, Public Advocate, Human Rights Commissioner and Legal Aid ACT.</p> <p>Feedback from various discussions with these bodies had a significant impact on the content and philosophy of the Bill.</p>
ACT Health and ACT Mental Health Community Coalition (MHCC) community sector forums	<p>ACT Health Mental Health Policy Unit and the MHCC (ACT Mental Health Community sector peak body) held a number of forums with executive officers and senior managers of contracted mental health community organisations in preparation for reviewing the community sector, mapping mental health community sector requirements of ACT Health and the requirement to test the market for such services through a procurement process within the next three years.</p> <p>The forums were held in October and December 2015 and February and April 2016. The Capital Health Network participated in the last two forums as they have an overlapping role to commission mental health services within the community.</p>
Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, HIV and Sexually Transmissible Infections: ACT Statement of Priorities 2016-2020	<p>ACT Health, via the ACT Ministerial Advisory Council on Sexual Health, HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis and Related Diseases (SHAHRD), conducted two community consultation processes to inform development of the ACT response to the five national sexually transmissible infections and blood borne virus strategies. This included development and release of a discussion paper, a call for written submissions, and face-to-face community consultation. Key stakeholders included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > ACT Health, including the Canberra Sexual Health Centre and relevant units within the Policy and Government Relations Branch and Population Health Division > the sexual health and blood borne virus sector, including relevant non-governmental organisations and SHAHRD. <p>The ACT Statement was officially launched by Assistant Minister for Health Meegan Fitzharris MLA on 23 June 2016.</p>
Development of an ACT Model of Palliative Care	<p>The aim of the project was to develop a Model of Palliative Care for the ACT and surrounding region that addressed issues raised by stakeholders, and would be useful to those interested in palliative care in the region.</p> <p>A mix of qualitative and quantitative data was identified and evaluated and analysed against the Palliative Care Services Plan 2013–17.</p> <p>Stakeholders consulted included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > ACT Palliative Care Committee > ACT Model of Palliative Care Working Group > Palliative Care Clinical Network

- > Health Service Executives
- > ACT Health
- > The Canberra Hospital
- > Calvary Health Care
- > ACT Primary Health Network
- > Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service
- > Health Care Consumers' Association of the ACT
- > Calvary Centre for Palliative Care Research
- > Southern NSW LHD.

Engagement with stakeholders was conducted through face-to-face meetings with small group discussions, one-on-one face-to-face and telephone interviews and online surveys.

The ACT Model of Palliative Care was successfully completed and accepted by the ACT Palliative Care Clinical Network and ACT Health in May 2016.

University of Canberra Public Hospital (UCPH)

The Service Delivery and Care Summary outlined the clinical services and support services that will be provided at the hospital. It outlined eligibility criteria for Aged Care and Rehabilitation services and discussed the next steps in the planning process.

The Service Delivery and Care Summary was developed to reflect the content of a larger body of work in a more accessible way. This work includes the:

- > UCPH Model of Service Delivery
- > Rehabilitation Aged and Community Care UCPH Model of Care
- > Adult Mental Health Rehabilitation unit Model of Care
- > Adult Mental health Day Service Model of Care.

The Mental Health Models of Care underwent public consultation in 2014 and had been finalised through the ACT Health approval processes.

Feedback on the Mental Health models of care was not sought in this process.

The final design of the facility along with the outcomes from this consultation on the Service Delivery and Care Summary are guiding detailed work into how services will function within the spaces of the facility to provide high quality, patient centred care.

ACT Health was interested in hearing the community's views on the intended operation and function of the services within the facility.

eHealth and Clinical Records Branch

The eHealth and Clinical Records branch has continued to engage with the Healthcare Consumers Association of the ACT through participation in bi-monthly ACT eHealth Consumer Reference Group meetings.

In addition, consumer representatives are engaged as steering committee members for a number of key consumer-focussed eHealth projects.

Population Health Division

Between September and November 2015, ACT Health coordinated a consultation to seek community feedback on ways to increase the availability and promotion of healthy food and drinks, and reduce the marketing of unhealthy food and drinks, particularly marketing aimed at children.

The consultation was designed to reach a broad range of stakeholders with an interest in these issues via a Time to Talk online survey, email, pre-paid postcards and social media.

Targeted and facilitated forums for businesses, the community, sporting clubs and event organisers were held. The consultation attracted over 500 responses. The ACT Government is considering its response to the consultation findings.

In July 2015 the Health Protection Service conducted targeted stakeholder consultation on proposed changes to the legislative framework for prescribing controlled medicines in the ACT. Input from this consultation will inform future policy response and legislative changes anticipated for mid-2016.

The Health Protection Service as part of a consultation process requested input from stakeholders into the introduction of pharmacist vaccination of influenza in the ACT. Following this consultation amendments were made to the legislation that enabled pharmacists to inject adult patients with influenza vaccine from 1 March 2016.

The HPS conducted a public consultation on Outdoor Smoke-Free Areas from 5 November to 17 December 2015. Interested parties were invited to respond to a discussion paper via written submission or online survey.

The consultation sought community feedback on the need for new smoke-free areas at public play spaces/playgrounds, skate parks, bus stops and bus stations, public building entrances, sporting events, and outdoor public swimming pools that are privately owned. 103 complete submissions were received:

- > 93 from individuals
- > 6 from public health organisations
- > 2 from the sport/leisure industry
- > 1 from the tobacco industry
- > 1 from a community organisation.

Respondents were strongly supportive of new smoke-free areas at each of the public places in the consultation, with support ranging from 73 per cent of respondents for outdoor public swimming pools to 91 per cent of respondents for bus stops and bus stations.

Outcomes from the consultation will be used to help prioritise locations for new smoke-free areas in the ACT and assist in their implementation.

Justice and Community Safety Directorate

The ACT community faces risk from other hazards including storms, floods, and extreme heat, and should prepare for all hazards when preparing for bushfire. The ACT Emergency Services Agency personalises the way we educate the community through engaging them so that they respond better, with better outcomes.

Project	Summary
ACT Ambulance Service (ACTAS) Patient Satisfaction	<p>Each year ACTAS participates in a national survey with all other Australian ambulance services seeking feedback from patients or the carers of patients to whom the ACTAS has provided clinical care. Key objectives of the survey are to benchmark perceived service quality and customer satisfaction levels across all state and territory ambulance services.</p> <p>During 2015-16, 1300 surveys were issued. The survey results are collated nationally and the outcomes are published after the end of the financial year. In the 2015 survey ACTAS achieved an overall patient satisfaction of 98 per cent, the same as in 2014.</p>
Stroke Awareness: Be Aware – Get Checked	<p>In September 2015, ACTAS supported the National Stroke Foundation by asking all Emergency Services Agency (ESA) staff to use an email banner with a message and embedded link to the National Stroke Foundation web-site. The program raised awareness of the importance of early recognition of the signs of stroke and early assessment and treatment. During National Stroke Week in 2015 ACTAS joined the SES StormSafe launch at Floriade to offer health checks and CPR practice.</p>
Canberra Bushfire Ready Community Education Campaign	<p>Implementation of the Canberra Bushfire Ready (CBR) campaign started across the ACT in the summer of the 2014-15 reporting period. CBR delivers a targeted face-to-face message designed to motivate Canberrans to prepare their homes, property, and families to respond to bushfires and natural disasters.</p> <p>The CBR 2015-16 evaluation data indicates that the face-to-face delivery of preparedness messages has an influence on motivating social behaviour change, and develops community understanding of bushfire risk. Doorknocking is resource intensive; therefore, all ESA entities deliberately targeted bushfire-prone areas to have the largest impact.</p> <p>The CBR campaign highlights the positive influence of delivering community education in an integrated and coordinated approach. This has allowed the ACT community to take greater responsibility for their safety by acting on information, advice, and other cues provided before an emergency. All ESA entities worked to deliver the program's key messages into the community, maximise volunteer members' time, and promote ESA as the trusted agency for emergency management within the ACT.</p> <p>In 2015-16, ACTAS continued to participate in the CBR campaign to increase awareness in at-risk vulnerable community groups and individuals of extreme heat health risks and avoiding heat stress. The Extreme Heat fact sheet and Emergency Medical Information forms are available on the ACTAS website. This program aims to increase</p>

community awareness of the risks associated with extreme heat events and strategies to prevent heat stroke.

ACT Rural Fire Service (ACTRFS)
Centenary Exhibition

The ACTRFS Centenary Exhibition at the Tuggeranong Arts Centre included displays of memorabilia, photographs, historical documents, equipment and uniforms. It provided a historical view that promoted the ACTRFS's proud history serving the ACT community.

The Exhibition was officially opened on 1 October 2015 and finished on 11 November 2015.

The collection of images and memorabilia in the exhibition were part of the Forest Fire Museum and an Exhibition held in 2013 at Mt Stromlo in recognition of the Canberra 2003 bushfires. The original collection had the addition of some oral histories of senior members of the Rural Fire Service and members of the ACT Rural Community. The exhibit provided a great insight into the last 100 years of bushfire fighting in the ACT.

Historical records show that Rural Fire Fighting began in an organised manner on the Limestone Plains area in 1915. While this initial crude response from the community to protect themselves from a fire was somewhat ad-hoc in regards to today's arrangements, it signals a recognition that the ACT and surrounding areas was and remains at significant risk of bushfire.

ACTRFS Open Day

In October, the ACTRFS held its annual Open Day and Field Day at the ACTRFS Helicopter Base in Hume. The Open Day is a community engagement event designed to increase awareness of risk of bushfires, what community members can do to prepare their residences and the role of ACTRFS and ACTRFS volunteers.

On the day, a variety of family-friendly activities, displays and fire fighting equipment were set up to teach members of the community of all ages, about bushfire preparedness.

Visitors entered the event through the ACTRFS Heli-base and were presented with a wide range of important bushfire preparedness and safety information.

The display comprised the 'CBR Bushfire Ready' program as part of the information sharing opportunity. This provided members of the public an ability to assess and understand their level of bushfire risk and they were presented with show bags which obtained printed copies of the Bushfire Survival Plan.

Royal Canberra Show

In February, both ACTRFS and ACT Fire & Rescue (ACTF&R) provided displays at the Royal Canberra Show.

The theme of the RFS community awareness display was the history of fire fighting in the ACT. The display featured the 'Bedford' historical fire truck, the new Centenary fire truck, memorabilia, photographs, historical documents, giving volunteers excellent opportunity to interact with the public about bushfire preparedness living in the 'Bush Capital'.

The display comprised the 'Canberra Bushfire Ready' program as part of the information sharing, CBR show bags and the CBR brag banner for photo opportunities.

The ACTRFS display won first prize for 'Best Community/Non-Profit Display'.

Support to major events

The ACTRFS, ACTF&R and ACT State Emergency Service (ACTSES) provided support to some of the larger community events included Australia Day Celebrations, Convoy for Cancer Families, Huntley

Community Weekend, Canberra Airport Open Day, The Snowy Hydro Southcare Base Open Day and the Lightning Bolt Convoy (raising awareness of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)).

Community Fire Unit (CFU) Saturday

CFU Saturday conducted on 10 October 2015 is a program delivered by ACTF&R CFU volunteers and staff members annually.

The program which is delivered in CFU local areas and adjacent shopping centres is designed to help educate the Canberra community on a number of topics.

Primarily the education is centred on the dangers of bushfire and the preparatory steps ACT citizens can take to help protect their properties from bushfire. This includes reduction in flammable overgrowth and general tidiness of yards in the urban interface zones and other protective measures to limit the impact of fire and ember attack.

The second aim of the program is to inform the general community of the presence and roles of the local CFUs in their neighbourhood. CFU's not only assist to protect interface properties in specific higher risk areas but are a valuable educational resource due to their training and association with ACTF&R.

Fire Safety Education Campaign (Fire Ed)

In the 2015-16 reporting period, ACTF&R successfully delivered the annual Fire Safety Education Campaign (Fire Ed) with 5,500 ACT students in kindergarten.

The aim of Fire Ed is to provide students with fun, practical, and essential information on fire safety and what to do if a fire starts. ACTF&R start teaching fire safety to children from a young age to ensure that children and their families are safe at home. Students are educated in a 45-minute lesson with experienced firefighters. The session highlights the importance of:

- > triple zero
- > stop, drop and roll
- > getting down low when smoke is inside a home.

The lesson shows students they do not need to be afraid of firefighters in full personal protective gear and gives them a chance to sit in a fire truck and see the equipment used to save lives.

ACTF&R invite all Kindergarten classes annually in the ACT to take part in Fire Ed.

The ACT F&R recruitment campaign

The ACTF&R recruitment campaign for firefighters was launched by the Minister for Police and Emergency Services in November 2015. The Equal Employment Opportunity Program aimed at increasing the number of female recruits.

ACTF&R engaged a social research consultancy to conduct market research to support the development of the recruitment campaign that used a range of traditional forms of communication and social media to attract women to apply for the 2016 Recruit College. ACTF&R also implemented a range of initiatives including 'come and try' days and regional tours by women firefighters encouraging women to consider a career in ACTF&R.

There was an overwhelming response to the ACTF&R Recruitment Campaign:

- > 802 applications received
 - > 18 percent of all 114 applications were from females
 - > 25 percent of the 16 recruits are female
 - > the recruits commenced on 16 June 2016.
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Legacy Gutter Cleaning Program

The ACTSES, in consultation with Legacy House, provides storm preparation for the Legacy Widows each year.

ACTSES volunteers support the widows by clearing and cleaning their gutters, checking their yards and offering advice on what they can do to prepare their homes in an emergency. The widows are also educated on when to call 132 500 and 000.

Each widow is given resources such as magnets and pamphlets, and a welfare check is also conducted on the widows and reported back to Legacy House as part of this ongoing program.

In the 2015-2016 Legacy gutter cleaning program, 138 homes were visited by the ACTSES in the lead up to and including the 'Storm Season'.

Legacy House staff continues to work with the ACTSES to assist a number of Legacy widows to prepare their homes for storms and other hazards such as bushfire and to ensure that the widows are well-informed and aware of the program each year.

National StormSafe Campaign

Each year the ACTSES participates in this national campaign with all other Australian State/Territory Emergency Services to promote preparedness and resilience to storm and flood events.

The ACTSES StormSafe campaign ran over the month of September with an official launch at Floriade Kids Corner on 19 September 2015. Further StormSafe messaging and activities were conducted through social media and interactive displays in the lead up to the launch inclusive of National Science Week and Geo Science Australia Open Day.

There were approximately 12,000 people who walked through the gates at Floriade on the day of the launch and the ACTSES Facebook page reached approximately 35,000 people throughout the month of September compared to 27,000 the month before.

This campaign resulted in an increased awareness across the community of how to prepare homes for storms and floods, and how to behave before, during and after the event.

ACTSES Week Campaign

National SES Week is celebrated across Australia to recognise the contribution and commitment of all SES volunteers.

All SES States and Territories take part in their own set of organised activities based around a National Theme – Wear Orange Wednesday (WOW).

To engage the community the campaign is run nationally through media, and radio. The volunteers play a big part in this campaign as their work and dedication is celebrated. In 2015, National SES Week was celebrated by the following activities:

ACTSES Community day, to interact with members of the public and showcase the roles of the ACTSES and SES Nationally

Honours and Awards for the volunteers and their employers

Businesses and organisations participated in WOW Day to recognise the commitment of ACTSES volunteers by hosting morning teas, and running events

ACTSES Trivia night, for volunteers to have a night away from their usual work and to raise money for a local cause, Lifeline Canberra - volunteers raised just over \$4,000 for Lifeline Canberra which was donated to go directly to their call-taking services.

	<p>ACT SES Week and WOW Day provided an opportunity to raise the profile of the SES nationally and thank volunteers, their families and employers locally.</p>
Needle and Syringe Program Working Group	<p>During 2015-16, Justice and Community Safety Directorate (including ACT Corrective Services), the Health Directorate and the Community and Public Sector Union established a working group to develop a model for a Needle and Syringe Program to be put to AMC staff for their consideration.</p> <p>Part of the process involved direct engagement with community groups and NGOs such as staff unions, NGO health service providers and drug reform advocacy groups on their views on a workable model. These groups actively engaged in the consultation process and their input informed the considerations of the working group.</p>
Development of a Justice Service Delivery Model, to replace the Former Aboriginal Justice Centre	<p>The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body was consulted on the development of a Justice Service Delivery Model, to replace the former Aboriginal Justice Centre. Advice provided by the Elected Body will inform the new Justice Service Delivery Model and further consultation with the broader community.</p>
Development of the Justice Reinvestment Strategy (JRS)	<p>34 government, community sector, and representatives from academia participated in the JRS Advisory Group. The agencies represented include Justice and Community Safety, ACT Policing, Legal Aid, ACT Human Rights Commission, Sentence Administration Board, Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development, ACT Health, Education and Training Directorate, Victim Support ACT, Public Advocate, Australian National University, University of Canberra, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body, ACT Council of Social Services, Australian Institute of Criminology, Youth Coalition, Aboriginal Legal Service (ACT/NSW), Alcohol and Other Drugs Association, Menslink, Justice Reform Group (formerly known as Community Integration Governance Group), Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service, Gugan Gulwan, PCYC and Reclink.</p> <p>Key deliverables that will underpin the development of the ACT Strategy have been supported by this group and approved by the Attorney-General.</p>
Development of an ACT Justice Reinvestment Trial	<p>60 participants from government, community sector, academics and those with lived experience of the ACT justice system participated in workshop 2 on the Justice Reinvestment Trial.</p> <p>These included the Justice and Community Safety Directorate, Community Services Directorate, Education and Training Directorate, ACT Policing, ACT Health, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body, Justice Reform Group, ACT Council of Social Services, Australian Institute of Criminology, Northside Community Service, Legal Aid, Aboriginal Legal Service NSW/ACT, Street Law: an outreach legal service for the homeless, Domestic Violence Crisis Service, Hepatitis ACT, Prisoner's Aid, Toora Coming Home Program, St Vincent de Paul, Red Cross, Shine for Kids, Canberra Alliance for Harm Minimisation and Advocacy, Reclink Australia, Commonwealth Department of Human Services, Red Cross and the Australian National University, Regulatory institutions Network (RegNet) and Bourke Justice Reinvestment Project.</p> <p>The outcomes of the workshop have helped to inform the scope and structure of the Justice Reinvestment Trial.</p>
Victims Advisory Board (VAB)	<p>The statutory responsibility of the VAB is to advise the Minister on policies, priorities and strategies for the acknowledgment, protection</p>

and promotion of the interests of victims in the administration of justice. The VAB met once during the reporting period on 15 September 2015.

The VAB is made up of the Director-General, Justice and Community Safety Directorate, the Victims of Crime Commissioner and representatives from: the Director of Public Prosecutions, ACT Policing, ACT Courts, Corrective Services, Youth Justice, Restorative Justice Unit, three people who represent the interests of victims services groups, one person from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and one person who is a lawyer.

Sexual Assault Reform Program
Reference Group
(SARP)

The SARP Reference Group is established to improve processes and support for victims of sexual offences as they progress through the criminal justice system, reduce attrition in sexual offence matters in the criminal justice system and improve coordination and collaboration among agencies involved in the criminal justice system.

The SARP Reference Group is made up of representatives from the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), ACT Policing, ACT Corrective Services, Legal Aid Office (ACT), Canberra Rape Crisis Centre, the Victims of Crime Commission, ACT Law Courts and Tribunal Administration, Office of Children, Youth and Family Support, Forensic and Medical Sexual Assault Clinic, Child at Risk Health Assessment Unit, ACT Bar Association and the ACT Law Society.

The SARP Reference Group met in March 2016 to discuss key activities associated with its objectives.

Liquor Reform

During the reporting period, the Government has undertaken significant consultation on liquor reform. In July 2015, the Issues Paper: *Addressing Alcohol-related Harm* was released, to provide the community and stakeholders with an opportunity to consider and provide views on proposals for reform to reduce the incidence of alcohol-related harms. 28 submissions were received in relation to the Issues Paper.

In September 2015, the Proposals for Regulatory Improvements Paper was released. This gave key stakeholders the opportunity to consider proposals for further legislative reform to streamline the Act, reduce regulatory burden and promote an efficient and vibrant liquor and hospitality sector. The Government received five submissions in response to the Proposals Paper.

In April 2016, the Building on Liquor Reform: White Paper was provided to the Liquor Advisory Board (the LAB) for its views and released publicly. The White Paper contained 21 proposed amendments aimed at reducing alcohol related harm, and a further 19 amendments aimed at improving the vibrancy and diversity of the ACT's nightlife, reducing unnecessary regulatory burden on licensees, and improving the operation of the legislation.

Liquor Advisory Board (LAB)

The LAB is made up of the Director-General, Justice and Community Safety Directorate; the Commissioner for Fair Trading; the Victims of Crime Commissioner; and representative members of ACT Policing; the community; young people; small business; off-licensees; the Australian Hotels Associations (ACT Branch); Clubs ACT; the Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders; and members with knowledge or expertise in the area of health and the effects of alcohol.

The statutory responsibility of the LAB is to advise the Minister about matters associated with the operation and effectiveness of the Liquor Act and measures, including legislative measures that support the harm

minimisation and community safety principles.

The LAB met twice during the reporting period.

ACT Road Safety Advisory Board	<p>Legislation Policy and Programs (LPP) undertook consultation with ACT Compulsory Third Party (CTP) insurers and peak road safety and road user representative groups to obtain nominations for positions on the ACT Road Safety Advisory Board (the Board).</p> <p>The Board was established to provide advice and recommendations to the Minister for Road Safety on the application of the ACT Road Safety Fund, including the allocation of the ACT road safety community grants program.</p> <p>The Board is also responsible for providing advice to the Minister for Road Safety on the implementation of the ACT Road Safety Strategy and any road safety policy issues.</p> <p>The Advisory Board is a non-statutory body, comprising an ACT Government executive as chair, nominees of ACT CTP insurers and road user representatives and road safety experts. Vicki Parker, Deputy Director-General for the Justice and Community Safety Directorate was appointed to chair the Board. Each member of the Board is appointed for a three year term and the positions are not remunerated.</p>
Safer Cycling Reforms	<p>Legislation Policy and Programs (LPP) established the Safer Cycling Reforms project to oversee the implementation of recommendations seven (allow cyclists to ride across pedestrian crossings), 11 (establish a cyclist code of conduct) and 15–17 (consider introduction of a minimum passing rule for overtaking cyclists) of the Vulnerable Road User Inquiry. A project plan was developed with governance arrangements including a stakeholder working group.</p> <p>The stakeholder working group comprised representation of NRMA Motoring and Services, Pedal Power, Amy Gillett Foundation, Motorcycle Riders Association, Freebott Pty Ltd (manager of the Road Ready contract), Heart Foundation ACT and other representative groups. ACT government agencies and ACT Policing also participated in the working group.</p>
ACT Road Safety Forum	<p>The ACT Road Safety Action Plan 2016-2020 includes a commitment to hold an annual ACT Road Safety Forum. The inaugural forum was organised in 2015-16 by Legislation Policy and Programs (LPP) in partnership with the Australasian College of Road Safety.</p> <p>The purpose of the forum, which was held in September 2015, was to bring the ACT road safety community together to learn, plan and link road safety efforts.</p> <p>The forum had a specific focus on achieving road safety objectives through increasing the number of people using public transport and active travel.</p>
Service Planning for the Legal Assistance Sector	<p>Following cross-jurisdictional negotiations on the National Partnership Agreement on Legal Assistance Services, on 1 July 2015 the ACT became responsible for managing service planning across the ACT legal assistance sector.</p> <p>Legislation Policy and Programs (LPP) manages service planning as chair of the ACT Legal Assistance Forum (ACTLAF). ACTLAF consists of representatives from legal assistance organisations in the ACT, including Legal Aid ACT, the ACT Law Society and ACT's community legal centres including Canberra Community Law, the Women's Legal Centre, the Tenants' Union and the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT).</p>

	<p>The objective of service planning is to coordinate legal assistance service provision in the ACT region so that services are integrated, efficient and effective and focused on improving access to justice for disadvantaged people, while maximising service delivery within available resources.</p>
The Restorative Justice Survey	<p>The Restorative Justice Survey is aimed to evaluate the quality of participant experiences and improve the operations of the restorative justice unit in its interactions with the community. Every participant is given the opportunity to contribute.</p> <p>In 2015-16, 217 surveys were completed by 65 young offenders, 2 adult offenders, 68 victims, and 82 victim/offender supporters. The results of the surveys show a 98 percent satisfaction rate with the service.</p>
Restorative Communities	<p>The Restorative Communities Network is a community of restorative practitioners and advocates which is supporting a proposed declaration of Canberra as a Restorative City.</p> <p>It has run three community-based workshops in 2016 designed to explore the reinvigoration of restorative practices across Canberra's schools, health and disability sectors.</p> <p>A comprehensive consultation process informed the development of discussion questions for the health and disability sector workshops. 23 community and government stakeholders from 19 agencies were interviewed prior to the health workshop. 18 community and government stakeholders from 10 agencies were interviewed prior to the disability workshop.</p> <p>300 people are engaged with the Network on a semi-regular basis. They, and identified sector-specific individuals, receive invitations to all Network workshops.</p> <p>70 people attended the Restorative Practices in Schools Workshop, representing a cross-section of schools, government and community sector agencies.</p> <p>70 people attended the Restorative Practices in the Health Sector Workshop, representing a cross-section of schools, government and community sector agencies.</p> <p>45 people attended the Restorative Practices in the Disability Sector Workshop, representing a cross-section of disability sector, mental health sector, and government and community agencies.</p>
Reform to the jurisdiction and structure of the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal	<p>In January 2016 a discussion paper was released seeking views on proposals for reform to the civil dispute jurisdiction and membership structure of the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal. Following this consultation legislation was passed providing for an increase in the civil dispute jurisdiction.</p>
Review of the <i>Director of Public Prosecutions Act 1990</i> – appointment criteria for the Director	<p>In August 2015 a consultation process commenced with justice system stakeholders about possible changes to the <i>Director of Public Prosecutions Act 1990</i> relating to the appointment criteria for the Director in section 22 of the Act.</p> <p>Further consideration of this issue is anticipated in the 2016 review of civil surveillance.</p>
Review of the Residential Tenancies Act 1997	<p>Public consultation on the review of the Residential Tenancies Act took place between 24 July 2014 and 12 September 2014. Two public forums were held during the consultation period.</p> <p>94 responses were received to a web-based survey and 36 submissions were received by other means. The report on the review, together with</p>

an initial Bill for amendments to the Act, was tabled in the ACT Legislative Assembly in the June 2016 sittings.

Review of the Retirement Villages Act 2012	<p>The review of the Retirement Villages Act was conducted with the assistance of a Review Advisory Group of key stakeholders representing residents and operators of retirement villages, advocacy groups and other relevant bodies. Public consultation on the review of the <i>Retirement Villages Act 2012</i> took place between 29 September 2015 and 8 December 2015.</p> <p>During the public consultation period, four public forums were held. Three forums were also held at major ACT retirement villages. 27 written submissions were received during the public consultation period.</p>
Discrimination Act Amendment	<p>The Justice and Community Safety Directorate conducted consultation on a first stage of reforms to the <i>Discrimination Act 1991</i> to implement a range of recommendations made by the ACT Law Reform Advisory Council.</p> <p>Consultation ran for 6 weeks from 18 December 2015.</p>
Privacy Tort	<p>The Justice and Community Safety Directorate conducted consultation on a discussion paper on the necessity and appropriateness of a privacy tort for serious invasions of privacy. The discussion paper was provided to key stakeholders in the legal community for input between December 2015 and February 2016.</p> <p>Further consideration of this issue is anticipated in the 2016 review of civil surveillance.</p>
Protection of Rights	<p>Throughout 2015, the Justice and Community Safety Directorate consulted on reforms to the <i>Human Rights Commission Act 2005</i> and <i>Public Trustee Act 1985</i> to improve the structure and governance mechanisms of the Human Rights Commission, Public Advocate, and Public Trustee.</p> <p>A discussion paper was publically released in April 2015 and over 40 written submissions were received from organisations and individuals in the community. A consultation outcomes paper was released in October 2015.</p> <p>Ongoing consultation with statutory office holders, agency staff and other key stakeholders informed the development and implementation of the Protection of Rights (Services) Acts that were passed by the Legislative Assembly in early 2016. These changes commenced on 1 April 2016.</p>
Consorting laws for the ACT	<p>A discussion paper seeking community views on consorting laws in the ACT was released on 9 June 2016. The discussion paper included information about serious and organised crime in Australia, the historical and current operation of consorting laws across Australian jurisdictions, and a model for potential implementation in the ACT. It also pointed to a number of key issues and challenges raised by consorting laws.</p> <p>The Government is not progressing consorting laws at this stage and will keep the matter under review.</p>
De novo appeals against a sentence from the Magistrates Court to the Supreme Court	<p>A discussion paper seeking community views on changes to the appeal process in the ACT was released on 20 August 2015. The paper discussed Inquiry into Sentencing Report recommendations calling on the ACT to adopt the NSW approach to de novo appeals against sentences.</p>

The Government is considering the submissions received in response to the discussion paper and will also examine the NSW Government's views on de novo appeals in its response to the NSW Law Reform Commission Report on Criminal Appeals (Report 140).

Double Jeopardy reform in the ACT	<p>An information paper outlining proposed amendments to double jeopardy law in the ACT was released to the public on 1 September 2015. The paper proposed three limited exceptions to the rule that an acquitted person cannot be retried for the same offence, to address injustice that can arise where there is fresh and compelling evidence, a tainted trial or the commission of an administration of justice offence.</p> <p>The <i>Supreme Court Amendment Act 2016</i>, which includes changes to the rule against double jeopardy was passed by the Assembly in June 2016.</p>
Expanding the use of criminal infringement notices in the ACT	<p>A discussion paper was released for public comment on 25 January 2016 on the proposal to add seven offences to the current criminal infringement notice scheme in the ACT. It is proposed that this will provide for clear and timely penalties while reducing the number of cases before the courts relating to low-level offences.</p> <p>The Government is considering the submissions received in response to the discussion paper to determine the best way forward.</p>
Family violence law reforms	<p>On 7 April 2016 a roundtable was held to provide an overview of proposed changes to ACT family violence legislation and seek feedback on these changes. A range of government and community stakeholders were invited including: ACT Law Courts and Tribunal, ACT Law Society, Director of Public Prosecutions, ACT Bar Association, ACT Police, Canberra Rape Crisis Centre, Women's Legal Centre, Domestic Violence Prevention Council, Aboriginal Legal Services and ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body.</p> <p>Following the roundtable further feedback and submissions from stakeholders were sought and received in relation to the proposed legislation. The Family Violence Bill 2016 and the Personal Violence Bill 2016 were presented to the ACT Legislative Assembly on 7 June 2016.</p>
Justice Reform Strategy	<p>The Justice Reform Strategy (JRS) continued with its series of Core Design Workshops designed to inform the work of the JRS in relation to specific themes. On 12 October 2015, a Core Design Workshop on 'Disability and Cognitive Impairment issues relating to sentencing' was held with approximately 20 attendees. On 4 December 2015, a Core Design Workshop on 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues relating to sentencing' was held with approximately 45 attendees.</p>
This is Not a 'Wife Beater' Campaign	<p>The ACT Government proudly supported the relaunch of the This is Not a 'Wife Beater' campaign on 12 June 2015. This is Not a 'Wife Beater' is a Canberra-based, not-for-profit campaign that challenges harmful language, attitudes, stereotypes and myths that minimise and condone intimate partner and family violence.</p> <p>The campaign was relaunched with the support of Yvette Berry MLA, Victim Support ACT, Domestic Violence Crisis Service ACT, YWCA Canberra, and the ACT Domestic Violence Prevention Council.</p> <p>A public exhibition at the Legislative Assembly on 11 August 2015, featuring photos of the campaign ambassadors and sponsors in 'respector' singlets, marked the launch of This is Not a 'Wife Beater' for 2015.</p>

Coffee cup campaign

The ACT Government provided funding of \$6250 to support the coffee cup advocacy campaign on International Women's Day, 8 March 2016.

The advocacy campaign was a joint initiative between This is Not a 'Wife Beater' and Young Women's Christian Association Canberra. The campaign saw over 50 Canberra cafes deliver key messages about respectful relationships, positive bystander action and ending violence against women via takeaway cups.

The campaign supported action priority one from the Domestic Violence Prevention Council's Extraordinary Meeting Report, which is to challenge and change the culture and attitudes to domestic and family violence. The campaign also supported key priority one of the ACT Domestic and Family Violence Action Plan 2015-2017 'Driving whole of community and government action to prevent violence and create an anti-violence culture'.

Justice stakeholders

The Justice and Community Safety Directorate actively engages with justice stakeholders, including through regular meetings and attendance at ACT Law Society and ACT Bar Association meetings, being on the Executive Board of the Australian Institute of Administrative Law and the Advisory Board for the Centre for International and Public Law.

Territory and Municipal Services Directorate

Territory and Municipal Services (TAMS) follows the ACT Government's Community Engagement Manual when engaging with the community.

TAMS uses a variety of tools to engage with the community including letterbox drops, stakeholder meetings/presentations, emails to key stakeholders, drop-in information sessions, online and hardcopy surveys (which are used wherever possible on major projects), displays at libraries and social media.

The directorate places major community engagement projects on the ACT Government's Time to Talk website which provides residents with details of the variety of ways to have their say. It also allows TAMS to provide timely feedback to participants during and after the engagement process.

TAMS also utilises the ACT Government's *Our Canberra* monthly newsletter to let the community know about upcoming community consultations.

Project	Summary
Review and develop new ACT Design Standards and Technical Specifications	<p>TAMS sought industry and key stakeholder input as part of the development of the new Municipal Infrastructure Standards and Technical Specifications. Industry groups were invited to comment via direct feedback to Roads ACT.</p> <p>A number of engagement and education workshops were conducted. The documents had input from key stakeholders including Pedal Power, Consult Australia, Master Builders Australia, ACT Equestrian Association and the Land Development Agency. Comments have informed the final draft of the documents.</p> <p>The draft Municipal Infrastructure Standards were made publically available for trialling in December 2015. The Municipal Technical Specifications are still being reviewed by industry.</p>
Phillip pay parking	<p>This engagement aimed to inform traders and the community about the proposal to expand pay parking in the Phillip commercial precinct to better manage parking demand in the area. Two drop-in information sessions were held, a letter was sent to traders and nearby residents and information was placed on the TAMS website.</p> <p>Following feedback from traders the introduction of pay parking in the Phillip commercial precinct has been postponed while further assessments are undertaken on parking availability.</p>
Weston Group Centre upgrade	<p>The community and key stakeholders including traders and leaseholders, were invited to help select priority improvements for Brierly Street and Trenerry Square as part of a long-term plan to revitalise the Weston Group Centre. People could share their ideas by visiting Time to Talk, attending drop-in information sessions or completing website or hard copy surveys. There were 194 responses to the survey and approximately 250 people attended the drop-in sessions.</p> <p>The responses received are being incorporated into the draft design for the area which will be on public display later this year.</p>

Horse Park Drive stage 2	<p>The community was invited to provide feedback on the design to duplicate Horse Park Drive between the Federal Highway and Mulligans Flat Road to reduce the traffic congestion in peak periods. Engagement tools included an online survey on the Time to Talk and TAMS websites, hardcopy surveys at the Gungahlin Library and two consultation sessions at the Gungahlin Marketplace.</p> <p>A total of 120 surveys were completed and the feedback received helped inform the final design.</p>
Northbourne Avenue verge refurbishment	<p>Businesses impacted by footpath replacement works were invited to attend a construction information session via a hand-delivered letter. The session provided impacted businesses with the opportunity to speak with the project team about minimising disruptions during construction.</p> <p>The construction information session also presented individual businesses with the opportunity to provide their suggestions on how vehicle access to their property could be achieved during construction of the new path.</p>
Aikman Drive duplication	<p>The concept design for the Aikman Drive duplication was presented to the Belconnen Community Council in November 2015. The presentation was to advise key community members of plans for upcoming works.</p> <p>A more construction focussed presentation will be provided to the Belconnen Community Council in October 2016 before construction commences.</p>
Water refill stations	<p>The community was invited to provide feedback on the new water refill stations that have been installed in parks and public places across Canberra in the past two years. The online survey could be accessed from the Time to Talk and TAMS websites and was promoted via temporary signage at the water refill stations. A total of 94 surveys were completed.</p> <p>Feedback contributed to the evaluation of the project and will inform the location of any future water stations.</p>
Changes to dog exercise areas	<p>Following extensive consultation in 2014, a number of changes were implemented to dog exercise areas across the ACT. A timeshare arrangement was also trialled at Blaxland Park in Griffith between January to March 2016 allowing dogs to be exercised off leash between 6pm and 7am. TAMS invited submissions on the trial time share arrangements and promoted the consultation via on site signage, <i>Our Canberra</i> and the Time to Talk and TAMS websites.</p> <p>The Directorate received 40 submissions which it is currently reviewing.</p>
Evaluation of 40 kilometre per hour (40km/h) precincts in group centres	<p>The ACT government sought feedback on the 40km/h speed limit precincts in Canberra's group centres including Amaroo, Calwell, Charnwood, Chisholm, Conder, Curtin, Dickson, Erindale, Hawker, Jamison, Kaleen, Kambah, Kingston, Kippax, Manuka, Mawson, Wanniassa and Weston.</p> <p>Slower speed environments were introduced to improve safety for all road users, particularly pedestrians and cyclists. People could provide feedback via an online survey on the Time to Talk and TAMS websites as well as hardcopy surveys at public libraries.</p> <p>Over 230 surveys were completed. The Directorate is currently reviewing the feedback.</p>
Age-friendly active travel improvements – Kaleen and Monash	<p>The age-friendly suburbs project aims to improve infrastructure and facilities to make it easier for older residents to move in and around</p>

their local community. Kaleen and Monash were selected based on their demographic profile.

Community feedback was sought on the issues in these two suburbs that impede active travel by older residents. Engagement tools included a letterbox drop of Kaleen and Monash, a hardcopy survey at Belconnen, Erindale and Tuggeranong libraries, an online survey via the Time to Talk website and three drop-in consultation sessions.

Over 500 pieces of feedback were received which helped the Directorate develop a list of priority improvements for the two suburbs. The upgrades will be completed in the 2016-17 financial year.

Evaluation of Kaleen traffic management measures

In 2013-14 a traffic study was undertaken on Maribyrnong Avenue and surrounding streets in Kaleen under the residential street improvement program. Priority 1 traffic management measures were implemented on Maribyrnong Avenue, Ellenborough Street, Daintree Crescent and Onkaparinga Crescent in 2015.

An evaluation of the effectiveness of the implemented measures was undertaken in February and March 2016. This included an analysis of traffic speed, volume and crash data as well as community consultation. A letterbox drop of Kaleen was undertaken and a survey was available from Belconnen Library and the Time to Talk website.

A total of 354 surveys were completed. The Directorate is currently reviewing the feedback.

Nightrider evaluation

The Nightrider bus service provided Canberrans with a safe, reliable and low-cost means to get home from the 2016 National Multicultural Festival as well as six nights in December and for New Year's Eve celebrations. Engagement tools included an online survey on the ACTION website which was promoted via its Facebook and Twitter accounts.

Over 100 people provided feedback on the service which will assist transport planners in determining any future use of the Nightrider service.

Nature strip guidelines

The community was invited to provide feedback on a revised guide on the use of residential nature strips. The new guidelines aim to reach a balance whereby residents can use the nature strip, but without causing amenity or public safety concerns.

Engagement tools included an online survey on Time to Talk and hardcopy surveys at public libraries. Emails were also sent to key stakeholders. Substantial feedback was received including 29 written submissions and 327 survey responses.

Written responses were submitted by individuals and groups including the Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment, Canberra Organic Grower Society (COGS) and Weston Creek Community Council. Feedback is currently being reviewed and will help inform the final guide.

Cat containment in Casey and areas surrounding Jerrabomberra Wetlands

The community was invited to provide feedback on the proposal to declare the suburb of Casey in Gungahlin and land adjacent to Jerrabomberra Wetlands Nature Reserve, including Kingston Foreshore and The Causeway, as cat containment areas.

Engagement tools included an email to key stakeholders, a letterbox drop, three drop-in information sessions, hardcopy surveys at Gungahlin and Kingston libraries and an online survey on the Time to Talk website.

A total of 217 surveys were completed. The Directorate is currently reviewing the feedback.

Age-friendly suburbs: Weston and Ainslie	<p>TAMS worked closely with the Council on the Ageing (COTA) to make Weston and Ainslie Canberra's first age-friendly suburbs by improving infrastructure and facilities to make it easier for older residents to get around.</p> <p>Engagement tools included meetings with residents in aged care facilities, a letterbox drop, online surveys and hardcopy surveys.</p> <p>Over 215 surveys were submitted with the majority of respondents in both suburbs identifying footpath and road crossing improvements as their highest priority. The feedback helped the Directorate develop a list of priority improvements for the two suburbs. The upgrades will be completed in the 2016-17 financial year.</p>
Gungahlin bus station	<p>The community was invited to provide feedback on the relocation of the bus station from Hibberson Street to Gungahlin Place to support the delivery of bus services to Gungahlin and compliment the future light rail network.</p> <p>Engagement tools included two public information sessions at The Marketplace in Gungahlin and information sessions for residents and businesses were held at Winyu House. A feedback form was available from the Time to Talk website and Gungahlin Library.</p> <p>A total of 80 responses were received. Feedback highlighted the need for environmental impacts, such as noise and air quality, to be reviewed to quantify and develop mitigation measures as necessary. Following these assessments, changes will be made to the designs of the new bus station if required to address any issues identified. These changes may affect the final layout and location of the bus station.</p>
Constitution Avenue upgrade	<p>Key stakeholders were engaged during the delivery of the project. A meeting was held to inform adjoining property owners of the impacts of work when traffic was moved onto the new southern carriageway, and to inform these owners of the transfer of traffic onto both carriageways.</p>
Dickson Bus Station	<p>The planned construction of the Dickson Bus Station was advertised through the Development Application process.</p> <p>Several responses were received addressing increased traffic and access issues in the surrounding Dickson area. These issues were resolved in the design process.</p>
Hindmarsh Drive intersection improvements	<p>The design plans for the improvement and signalisation of three Hindmarsh Drive intersections (Tuggeranong Parkway off-ramp southbound, Launceston Street and Eggleston Crescent) were presented to the Woden Valley Community Council in May 2016.</p> <p>The Council and members of the public provided feedback on the proposals. Funding has been granted to enable the construction of these intersection upgrades in 2016-17.</p>
Majura Parkway	<p>During the construction of the Majura Parkway, TAMS met regularly with a stakeholder reference group to keep key stakeholders informed of the project and its impacts. The construction contractor, Fulton Hogan, also met with key stakeholders along the alignment as required.</p> <p>A monthly construction update appeared in <i>The Canberra Times</i> to inform the community of the project including changes to traffic arrangements. The TAMS website was updated daily with details of the</p>

	<p>next day's traffic impacts including road closures and partial lane closures.</p>
Waste reference groups	<p>Canberrans with an interest in sustainability and the environment were invited to join a community or commercial reference group on waste management. The groups are part of the ACT Waste Feasibility Study to identify future options for waste management to maximise recycling/reuse.</p> <p>The Community Reference Group consists of approximately 50 members and acts as a consultative forum through which members contribute to the development of strategies and recommendations to improve waste management. Members share information and views on behalf of the local community.</p> <p>Approximately 100 waste facility operators and local businesses registered for the Commercial Reference Group which shares information and ideas about what waste challenges business face. Both groups meet every two months and are actively involved in developing new frameworks for waste legislation.</p>
Point Hut Pond District Park	<p>The community was invited to provide feedback on an upgrade to play equipment at Point Hut Pond District Park to replace the decommissioned flying fox. Engagement tools included a letterbox drop, hardcopy survey at Tuggeranong Library and an online survey on Time to Talk.</p> <p>A total of 299 people completed the survey. Community feedback informed the design for the play space upgrade which included a new climbing structure. Construction on the new structure commenced in April 2016.</p>
Isaacs Ridge trail network upgrade	<p>Canberrans were invited to provide feedback on the proposed upgrade of the trail network at Isaacs Ridge to help ensure it meets the needs of all recreation users, while providing purpose-built formal mountain bike trails within the urban landscape.</p> <p>Engagement tools included a letterbox drop, signage at Isaacs Ridge notifying users of the consultation and hardcopy surveys were available at Woden and Erindale libraries. A public drop-in information session was held at the Woden Hellenic Club and a presentation was made to the Woden Valley Community Council. Targeted consultation was also undertaken with user groups and the Isaacs Ridge Mount Mugga Mugga ParkCare Group.</p> <p>During the consultation the Government received 307 submissions via the online and hardcopy surveys which helped inform the final plans for the upgrade. Construction commenced in February 2016.</p>
Outdoor fitness stations for Gungahlin and Phillip	<p>The community was invited to have their say on two new outdoor fitness stations at Yerrabi Pond District Park in Gungahlin and Eddison Park in Phillip. An online survey was available on Time to Talk and hardcopy surveys were available at the Woden and Gungahlin libraries.</p> <p>151 people provided feedback which helped determine the types of equipment the stations will feature and the final fitness station sites at each of the locations. Construction work on the new fitness stations commenced in May 2016.</p>
Draft ACT Biosecurity Strategy	<p>The ACT Government invited public feedback on its draft biosecurity strategy which aims to better protect the health of our rural economy and environment.</p>

In addition to engagement with key stakeholder groups the public were invited to provide feedback via Time to Talk mail and email submissions.

The feedback informed the final strategy which was released in June 2016.

Draft code of practice for the keeping of native reptiles

TAMS sought community feedback on the draft Code of Practice for the keeping of native reptiles which was developed by the ACT Animal Welfare Advisory Committee.

It had input from key stakeholders including the ACT Herpetological Association, ACT Wildlife and the University of Canberra. The public were invited to comment via an online feedback form on Time to Talk and a hardcopy feedback form at the RSPCA shelter in Weston.

Comments informed the final strategy which was released in June 2016.

Community Support: Grants and Sponsorship

During 2015-16 the ACT Government provided grants, assistance and sponsorship to a range of organisations detailed below by directorate.

Capital Metro Agency

Light Rail Business Link Program

The Light Rail Business Link Program is a collaboration between the Territory and the Canberra Business Chamber. This collaboration seeks to maximise the benefits of the Light Rail project for the city, the economy and the community.

The objectives of the program are to:

- > improve industry engagement and strengthen local business capacity to participate in major infrastructure projects, through research, information provision, referral, training and support
- > improve business engagement along the light rail corridor, with reduced impact of the build process and maximised participation in opportunities presented by the project, through targeted engagement and reference groups
- > explore and identify new opportunities and business models through business forums and support new initiatives
- > deliver marketing and communications activities related to the program.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Canberra Business Chamber	For the delivery of the Light Rail Business Link Program.	\$500,000

Party at the Shops Program

The Party at the Shops Program was introduced in 2013 as a part of the Centenary of Canberra celebrations. As a community engagement project, it aims to provide closer links between communities, small business and government. The success and popularity of the project during 2013 has seen it extended in 2015 to a year-long program. Some events were held in the previous reporting period.

In return for the sponsorship of the program, the Capital Metro Agency was included in promotional materials and allowed to participate in each event. This enabled the Capital Metro Agency to engage with local communities on a regular basis.

The events held in this reporting period include:

- > Erindale – 11 October
- > Hackett – 12 October
- > Kaleen – 17 October
- > Bonner – 22 October
- > Hall – 30 October
- > Phillip – 26 November
- > Garran – 1 December
- > Forde – 5 December

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Party at the Shops	To assist in the delivery of the Party at the Shops roll out.	\$5,000

Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

CHIEF MINISTER'S STREAM

ACCESS CANBERRA

The Consumer Law Centre Funding Program

Assisting people through the provision of free consumer legal services to low income and vulnerable consumers.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Care Inc.	<p>The Consumer Law Centre Funding Program for Low Income and Vulnerable Consumers. Outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">> assisting low income and vulnerable consumers who require legal advice regarding the following issues:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• consumer credit• telecommunications• utilities and• general trade practice, fair trading and consumer protection laws.> raising general community awareness and understanding of consumer rights in the Territory> working towards improving the legislative framework of consumer rights.	\$164,097

WorkSafe ACT Sponsorship

Promoting and raising awareness for workplace safety.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Australian Rehabilitation Providers Association Inc (ARPA)	ARPA ACT Awards Platinum Sponsorship	\$4,000
Oz Help Foundation Ltd	Sponsorship 2016 National Workplace Wellness Symposium	\$2,000
Unions ACT	Partnership between WorkSafe ACT and Unions ACT - Fun Run to raise awareness of workplace safety	\$7,500

Construction, Environment and Workplace Protection Sponsorship

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Regional Building and Construction Industry Training Council (CITC)	Gold Sponsorship of CITC Apprentice Encouragement Award 2016	\$6,000
Construction Charitable Works	Purchase of Table of 8 at CCW Charity Breakfast 2015	\$2,000
Master Plumbers Association of the ACT	Plumbing Industry Dinner and Apprentice Awards	\$5,000

COMMUNICATIONS

Community Council Annual Deed of Grant

An annual grant is provided to each of the seven Community Councils in order to enable them to communicate the views, expectations and concerns of community members to the ACT Government.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Belconnen Community Council	Annual grant to assist local community council	\$12,821
Gungahlin Community Council	Annual grant to assist local community council	\$12,821
Inner North Community Council	Annual grant to assist local community council	\$12,821
Inner South Canberra Community Council	Annual grant to assist local community council	\$12,821
Tuggeranong Community Council	Annual grant to assist local community council	\$12,821
Weston Creek Community Council	Annual grant to assist local community council	\$12,821
Woden Valley Community Council	Annual grant to assist local community council	\$12,821

Community Support Fund

The Community Support Fund is designed to meet emerging community needs, fund initiatives that do not meet any existing ACT Government Grants program eligibility requirements, and make donations to charitable organisations on behalf of the ACT Government.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ABC Red Cross Appeal	Donation to Cyclone Winston Appeal (Fiji)	\$5,000

ACT Education Directorate	Contribution to the inspire leadership conference hosted by Kulture Break	\$5,000
Aids Action Council	Sponsorship of 2015 Fair Day	\$3,000
Aids Action Council	Sponsorship of Aids Action Council Memorial Garden at the National Arboretum Canberra	\$5,000
Ainslie Community Garden Association	Donation for gardening tools and compost equipment	\$3,000
Australian Peacekeeping Memorial Project	Donation to Australian Peacekeeping Memorial	\$2,000
Barnardos Australia	Donation to 2016 Mother of the Year Awards	\$3,700
Belconnen Arts Centre	Sponsorship of Belco 50 event to celebrate 50 th birthday of Belconnen	\$20,000
Black Mountain Girl Guides	Donation for accessibility upgrades to building	\$7,500
Camp Quality	Sponsorship of Laugh for Life Comedy Fundraiser	\$2,000
Canberra Hospital Foundation	Donation to Give Me Five for Kids appeal	\$3,500
Cancer Support Group	Donation to 30th anniversary celebration dinner	\$3,000
Clare Holland House	Donation to purchase age-appropriate toys, games and wall hangings on behalf of the Benny Wills Foundation	\$1,000
EarlyBird Events	Sponsorship of CBR 100 Challenge	\$10,000
Fearless Initiative	Donation to Fearless Comedy Gala	\$3,000
Hands Across Canberra	Major Foundation Membership	\$10,000
Karinya House	Donation to Mothers Day Gala dinner to assist with the purchase of furniture and homewares for new properties	\$5,000
Legacy Club of Canberra	Sponsorship of Legacy Centenary Concert April 2016	\$3,000
Lifeline Canberra	Sponsorship of volunteer thank you function	\$1,000
Lifeline Canberra	Donation to Annual Gala	\$3,000
Make Hack Void	Donation to assist in the purchase of a new lathe, projector and 3D printer	\$4,000
Migrant & Refugee Settlement Services	Donation to Cyclone Winston Appeal (Fiji)	\$1,000
MIX 106.3 Special Children's Christmas Party	Sponsorship of 2015 Special Children's Christmas Party in support of Make a Wish Australia	\$1,091
National Breast Cancer Foundation	Sponsorship of the 10 th Anniversary Mother's Day Classic	\$5,000
Parkinson's ACT	Donation to Walk in the Park for Parkinson's	\$1,000
raize the roof	Donation to charity house project in Bonner	\$5,000

Red Cross	Donation to annual Red Cross Calling appeal	\$5,000
Ronald McDonald House	Donation to 2CC Radio Appeal	\$5,000
RSPCA ACT	Donation to Million Paws Walk appeal	\$3,500
Salvation Army	Donation to launch the 2016 Red Shield Appeal	\$10,000
Save the Children	Donation to Cyclone Winston Appeal (Fiji)	\$4,000
Stand Tall for PTSD	Donation to Lightning Bolt convoy to support the Phoenix Australia Centre for post-traumatic mental health	\$3,000
Territory and Municipal Services	Donation to purchase plants for new Project Independence properties in Harrison and Latham	\$3,000
Territory and Municipal Services	Donation to the Friends of Canberra Nara Peace Park to buy landscaping supplies and tools	\$5,000
Territory and Municipal Services	Donation towards plants for refurbishment of John Curtin Garden	\$950
The Heart Foundation	Donation to 2015 Big Heart Appeal launch	\$5,000
Wattle Day Association	Donation to National Wattle Day celebrations and the Association's range of services	\$5,000
YWCA Canberra	Sponsorship of This is Not a 'Wife Beater' International Women's Day campaign	\$6,250
YWCA Canberra	Donation to Tech Freeze Challenge	\$500

WORKFORCE CAPABILITY AND GOVERNANCE

Healthy Weight Initiative Sponsorships

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Mother's Day Classic Fun Run	<p>The Mother's Day Classic is an annual fun run and walk held around Australia to raise money and awareness for breast cancer research. It was held on Sunday 8 May 2016.</p> <p>The ACT Government provided support to the Mother's Day Classic as part of the Healthy Weight Initiative.</p> <p>The Government's funding was put towards logistics for the event held in Canberra.</p>	\$10,000
Indigenous Netball Tournament	<p>The inaugural ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Netball Tournament was held on Saturday 31 October 2015. The tournament was held to provide a fun-filled, competitive netball tournament that encouraged physical activity and school attendance while also bringing together communities from around Australia.</p> <p>The ACT Government provided support to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Netball Tournament as part of the Healthy Weight Initiative.</p>	\$5,000

The Government's funding was used to support the tournament including trophies, umpires, table covers, netball and officials shirts, first aid, court hire and catering.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STREAM

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Key Arts Organisation Funding

Key Arts Organisation provides five year funding to arts organisations that provide critical arts infrastructure in the ACT through high quality programs, services and/or facilities.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Writers Centre	To assist with annual program operating costs for literature.	\$151,214
Ainslie and Gorman Arts Centre	To assist with annual program operating costs and to manage the Ainslie and Gorman House Arts Centres.	\$242,500
Belconnen Arts Centre	To assist with costs of employing a community arts officer.	\$73,362
Belconnen Arts Centre	To assist with costs of delivering the community cultural inclusion program.	\$176,638
Canberra Potter's Society	To assist with annual program operating costs and managing the Watson Arts Centre.	\$105,062
Canberra Contemporary Art Space	To assist with annual program operating costs for contemporary visual arts.	\$183,988
Canberra Symphony Orchestra	To assist with annual program operating costs for orchestral concerts.	\$327,120
Canberra Youth Theatre Company	To assist with annual program operating costs for youth theatre programs.	\$236,980
Craft ACT	To assist with annual program operating costs for craft and design programs.	\$199,734
Megalo Print Studio	To assist with annual program operating costs for print media programs.	\$270,360
Music for Canberra	To assist with annual program operating costs for music programs.	\$262,578
PhotoAccess Inc	To assist with annual program operating costs for photomedia.	\$175,637
QL2 Dance Inc	To assist with annual program operating costs for youth dance.	\$315,188
The Stagemaster Inc	To assist with annual program operating costs for theatre and to manage The Street Theatre.	\$792,140

Strathnairn Arts Association	To support the annual program and operating costs and to manage the Strathnairn Arts Centre.	\$71,250
Tuggeranong Community Arts Association Inc	To assist with annual program operating costs and to manage the Tuggeranong Arts Centre.	\$426,030
Tuggeranong Community Arts Association Inc	To assist with costs of delivering the community cultural inclusion program.	\$176,638
Warehouse Circus	To assist with annual program operating costs for youth circus.	\$92,250

Program Funding

Program Funding provides two-year funding to arts organisations that provide a program of activities enabling the ACT community to have access to and engagement with the arts.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ArtSound	To assist with costs of delivering arts programs at the station.	\$70,000
Ausdance ACT	To assist with annual program operating costs for dance.	\$136,125
Australian National Capital Artists Inc	To assist with costs of delivering the annual exhibition program.	\$43,000
Canberra International Film Festival	To assist with costs of delivering the annual film festival.	\$47,250
M16 Artspace	To assist with costs of delivering the annual exhibition program.	\$43,000
Pro Musica	To assist with costs of delivering the annual music festival.	\$80,500
Screen ACT	To assist with costs of delivering its annual program for the film sector.	\$182,500
You are Here	To assist with costs associated with delivery of an annual arts festival.	\$60,000

Project Funding

Project Funding is offered once a year and supports ACT artists, groups and organisations to undertake one-off self-identified arts activities. 2016 Project Funding supports arts activities that start and finish within the 2016 calendar year.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Ainslie Village, Art Haven	To assist with the costs of creative art workshops at the Ainslie Village.	\$8,276
Anderson, Nola	To assist with the costs of travel to research a book on the life and work of Klaus Moje.	\$13,109

Art Monthly Australia Ltd	To assist with the costs of an ACT edition of Art Monthly Australia magazine.	\$13,500
Art Song Canberra Inc	To assist with the costs of presenting art song concerts and a masterclass.	\$7,818
ArtSpace	To assist with the costs of researching and developing new visual artwork.	\$18,724
Aspen Island Theatre Company	To assist with the costs of producing a new play 'The Slipway'.	\$40,000
Australian Poetry	To assist with the costs of poetry workshops and readings in the ACT.	\$3,000
Barnett, Barb	To assist with the costs of developing a script for a children's theatre puppet show.	\$4,370
Belconnen Community Service	To assist with the costs of an outdoor sculpture created by artists living with mental illness.	\$18,898
Blunden, Camilla	To assist with the costs of employing a producer to tour a theatre production 'All this Living' and creating a publicity package	\$8,770
Canberra Choral Society Inc	To assist with the costs of a choral concert at Llewellyn Hall for 'A Christmas Story' and 'Gloria'.	\$10,112
Canberra Dance Theatre	To assist with the costs of creating a professional and community dance project at the National Museum of Australia.	\$14,666
Crispin, Judith	To assist with the costs of producing an art book on a Warlpiri elder Henry Jackamarra Cook.	\$33,000
Cole, Tobias	To assist with the costs of staging a production of Handel's 'The Vow' at the Canberra Playhouse.	\$25,000
Delatovic, Nicholas	To assist with the costs of a series of recording sessions 'epinaday'.	\$11,100
Dickson, Nicola	To assist with the costs of research to develop paintings that convey history and a sense of place.	\$4,206
Duck, Tim	To assist with the costs of a mentorship program for comedy artists.	\$1,600
Editia	To assist with the costs of an enhanced ebook about Australia's WWII code-breakers and radio spies.	\$19,500
Edwards, Daniel	To assist with the costs of creating a large scale tapestry based on an Asialink Residency in Bangalore, India.	\$6,978
Featherstone, Nigel	To assist with the costs of writing the final draft of a novel 'Leap Capture'.	\$5,870
Feminartsy	To assist with the costs of an online writers' residency to develop the skills of emerging writers.	\$5,600

Gall, Jennifer	To assist with the costs of a concert series using restored historic instruments in Canberra's house museums.	\$35,000
Gallagher, Bronwyn	To assist with the costs of travelling to the USA for an artist-residency, exhibition and mentoring.	\$7,192
Green, Joel	To assist with the costs of recording and documenting a new album in New York City by local band Witchskull.	\$37,903
Harris Hobbs Landscapes	To assist with the costs of 'contour 556' a public art event on Lake Burley Griffin.	\$15,000
Heslin, Paul	To assist with the costs of a residency at the Arteles Creative Center in Finland.	\$4,461
Higgins/Smith	To assist with the costs of developing an installation art piece 'Vox Nautica' for touring	\$14,504
Hughes, Meredith	To assist with the costs of travel to research traditional Indian and Tibetan texts 'pechas' for the development of a new work.	\$6,097
Lallemand, Blaide	To assist with the costs of the research, development and production of interactive paintings and sculptures.	\$8,559
Laudenbach, Catherine	To assist with the costs of an arts residency in Japan.	\$3,600
Lea, Elizabeth	To assist with the costs of a creative development of a new dance work 'RED'.	\$15,180
Little, Fiona	To assist with the costs of creating and exhibiting new abstract paintings.	\$2,436
Madeleine, Anna	To assist with the costs of participating in a program in animation at the University of Southern California in the USA.	\$10,100
McCartney, Tania	To assist with the costs of writing and illustrating a picture book.	\$12,000
Mental Health Foundation ACT	To assist with the costs of a creative development of cross-artform performance on trauma.	\$19,400
Morris, Rafe	To assist with the costs of developing work for recording, filming, and performance.	\$27,920
Mutton, Katy	To assist with the costs of developing new work on military machines for an exhibition in Darwin.	\$10,227
Nandan, Kavita	To assist with the costs of completing a collection of short stories.	\$8,824
Noted	To assist with the costs of a five-day writers' festival.	\$26,675
Patel, Zoya	To assist with the costs of creative development for a work of fiction on the Indian diaspora in Australia.	\$6,760
Pigeonhole Theatre	To assist with the costs of professional mentoring for a theatre production 'Playhouse Creatures'.	\$8,300
Plevey, Alison	To assist with the costs of the creative development and production of a dance work 'Nervous'.	\$29,698

Rebus Theatre	To assist with the costs of staging a variety show of performers with disabilities.	\$19,780
Slater, Bernie	To assist with the costs of printing artworks for 'PowerMart' satirical commentary on retail and cultural experience.	\$3,586
Fred Smith	To assist with the costs of mentoring and editing a memoir manuscript.	\$10,000
Sparrow Folk	To assist with the costs of original comedic songs showcasing Canberra.	\$21,380
Strange Attractor	To assist with the costs of choreographic development for Canberra dance artists.	\$28,387
Swifte, Genevieve	To assist with the costs of skills and creative development through a residency and photography workshops at La Fragua in Spain.	\$12,346
Upward, Penelope	To assist with the costs of editing a biographical manuscript on Peter Upward.	\$3,500
Volk, Felicity	To assist with the costs of researching and writing a work of literary fiction 'Desire Lines'.	\$10,286
Walsh-Smith, Shane	To assist with the costs of producing a science fiction anthology 'All the Kings Men'.	\$7,500
Woden Community Service Inc	To assist with the costs of a digital storytelling project 'My Pitch' with Big Issue vendors.	\$15,547
Zelnik, Stella-Rae	To assist with the costs of a photographic exhibition 'Smile for Miles' about the custom motorcycle community in Canberra and Sydney.	\$12,173

Out of Round Funding

Out of Round Funding provides quick response funding to individual ACT artists to undertake significant interstate or overseas arts opportunities that are unexpected and could not reasonably have been planned for in advance.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Andrews, Jilda	To assist with costs of attending an international residency and to undertake performances across cultural institutions in the USA.	\$2,000
Austin, Kelly	To assist with costs of attending an artist in residence program at the Tasmanian College of the Arts, Launceston.	\$1,535
Batchelor, James	To assist with costs of presenting work METASYSTEMS in Paris.	\$2,000
Beamish, Kim	To assist with costs of attending the premiere screening of 'The Tentmakers of Cairo' at the Luxor African Film Festival.	\$2,000

Blue Enterprises (Andrew Kimber)	To assist with costs of ACT artists attending Australian music industry conference, BIGSOUND, in Brisbane.	\$ 10,000
Bourne, Benjamin	To assist with costs of international travel to attend a music festival in the Czech Republic and tour band to surrounding countries including Austria, Hungary, Sweden, Germany and Denmark.	\$2,000
Okai-Davies, Kabu	To assist with costs of travel and lodging in China to attend the 10th Bookworm Literary Festival.	\$2,000
Dooley, Michael	To assist with costs of transport to APRA screen awards celebration.	\$500
Gall, Jennifer	To assist with travel costs to attend the conference The Effects Of Playing On Early And Modern Musical Instruments in London.	\$1,900
Herrington, Jessica	To assist with costs of sending artwork to London for exhibition.	\$ 800
Jameson, Richard	To assist with travel costs to exhibit Photographic Exhibition and to document Indigenous delegates at the 3rd International Indigenous Social Work Conference.	\$1,000
Keen, Imogen	To assist with costs of attending the International Symposium of Electronic Arts 2015 in Vancouver.	\$2,000
Lallemand, Blaide	To assist with costs of touring Walkin' the streets: New York to Tamworth Regional Gallery.	\$2,000
Latona, Pablo	To assist with costs of attending the International Workshop on Hospital Clowning, in Barcelona.	\$2,000
Lemoh, Rosalind	To assist with costs to exhibit and attend the Tokyo International Art Fair.	\$1,400
Mahood, Kim	To assist with costs of participating in the 2016 Museums Australasia Conference in Auckland.	\$1,000
Mueller, Cat	To assist with costs of travel to Perth to participate in Hatched 2016: National Graduate Show.	\$1,877
Omari, Mariem	To assist with costs of overseas travel to develop a new play for production.	\$1,450
Romeyn, Annika	To assist with interstate travel and living costs to attend a month-long Bathurst Regional Gallery Hill End Residency.	\$1,000
Silva, Lina	To assist with costs of attending the Prix Jeunesse International Award event in Munich, Germany.	\$1,500
Sparke, Frankie	To assist with costs of attending an interdisciplinary gathering of international Bridgeguard Residency artists in Slovakia and Hungary.	\$2,000
Us Mob (Kerry Reed Gilbert)	To assist with costs of travel and accommodation to participate in Blak & Bright Festival in Melbourne in conjunction with the Melbourne Writers Festival.	\$3,000

Artists in Schools

The Artists-in-Schools Program provides funding to give young people and their school communities the opportunity to work with practicing artists and to learn more about the creative thinking process.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Davey, Sean	To assist with costs of delivering an Artist in Schools program at Charnwood-Dunlop School.	\$17,500
Mettes, Marianne	To assist with costs of delivering an Artist in Schools program at Duffy Primary School.	\$17,500
Oliphant, Ruth	To assist with costs of delivering an Artist in Schools program at Franklin Early Childhood School.	\$17,500
Zaraftis , Amelia	To assist with costs of delivering an Artist in Schools program at Charles Conder Primary School.	\$17,500

Arts Residencies ACT

The Arts Residencies ACT Program supports ACT based arts and non-arts organisations to offer recognised interstate or international artists a residency experience in the ACT. Visiting artists will develop their own practice and engage in an artistic dialogue with the local community.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Belconnen Arts Centre	To assist the Islamic Society Belconnen, Belconnen Arts Centre and Strathnairn Arts Centre to host a residency for a nationally recognised Australian Muslim woman artist to bring her ceramics practice to the ACT.	\$10,000
Canberra Glassworks Ltd	To assist with costs associated with an established Australian contemporary artist engaging with neon within their practice to work with an experienced neon maker/technical specialist to inspire local artists and produce new work.	\$10,000
Craft ACT	To assist Craft ACT in its tenth anniversary celebrating Artists' in Residence and supporting an international and national artist to visit the ACT, as well as inviting the previous twelve artists, three curators, seven writers and partners to re-engage with the residency program.	\$10,000
National Portrait Gallery	To assist the National Portrait Gallery to host George Khut to develop and present a new digital work and interact with local artists and gallery visitors on an ongoing basis.	\$10,000
PhotoAccess	To assist PhotoAccess and Ainslie and Gorman Arts Centres to engage one interstate mid-career artist to create and exhibit new, experimental photo-based work at PhotoAccess.	\$10,000

ACT Writers Centre	To assist the ACT Writers Centre with costs associated with the ACT Eminent Writer-in-Residence Program, providing an opportunity for an Australian writer of significance to live and work in the ACT.	\$10,000
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ANU Community Outreach

ANU Community Outreach Funding provides support to the School of Art and School of Music to provide a range of outreach activities for the benefit of the ACT Community, including assisting local organisations with hiring Llewellyn Hall.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Australian National University	To deliver a range of music and visual arts community access programs.	\$1,116,702
Australian National Eisteddfod Society	To support the hire of Llewellyn Hall for the bands and orchestras Eisteddfod sections.	\$18,000
Canberra Symphony Orchestra	To support the hire of Llewellyn Hall for its annual concert series program, and other community outreach activities.	\$210,100
Canberra Area Theatre Awards	To support the hire of Llewellyn Hall for the CAT Awards presentation night.	\$5,000
Llewellyn Choir	To support the hire of Llewellyn Hall for the presentation of a Mendelssohn choral work.	\$9,800
Music for Canberra	To support the hire of Llewellyn Hall for three Canberra Youth Orchestra concert performances	\$22,148
Musica Viva	To support the hire of Llewellyn Hall for Musica Viva Australia's 'Voyage to the Moon' and Benjamin Beilman and Andrew Tyson concerts.	\$8,800
National Capital Orchestra	To support the costs of hiring of Llewellyn Hall for the presentation of two concerts.	\$12,000

ACT Book of the Year

The ACT Government offers an annual ACT Book of the Year Award for excellence in literature, valued at \$10,000.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Henshaw, Mark	For the 2015 ACT Book of the Year Award Winner, <i>The Snow Kimono</i> .	\$10,000
Musa, Omar	For the highly commended book, <i>Here Come the Dogs</i> .	\$2,000
Lineen, Jono	For the shortlisted book, <i>Into the Heart of the Himalayas</i> .	\$1,000
Vincent, Sam	For the shortlisted book, <i>Blood and Guts</i> .	\$1,000

Special Initiatives Funding

Special Initiatives Funding provides support to strategic arts initiatives and projects.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Arts Law	To assist with costs of providing legal services to the ACT arts sector.	\$11,000
Asia Link	International residencies and an exchange residency.	\$44,000
Belconnen Arts Centre Inc	Arts Organisation Grant Funding.	\$330,950
Belconnen Arts Centre Inc	To assist with costs of delivering community projects as part of the Regional Arts Fund.	\$16,417
Canberra City Band	To support organisational development activities.	\$22,750
Canberra Contemporary Art Space	To assist with costs of delivering the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy.	\$46,125
Canberra Glassworks Ltd	Arts Organisation Grant Funding.	\$695,520
Canberra Glassworks Ltd- Chief Minister's Award Canberra Glassworks Kids' Design Competition	To assist with costs associated with a one-off award.	\$750
Craft ACT	To assist with costs of delivering the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy.	\$46,125
Megalo Print Studio + Gallery	To assist with costs of delivering the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy.	\$33,000
Miller, Chenoeh	To assist with costs of staging the Fringe Festival.	\$30,000
PhotoAccess Inc	To assist with costs of delivering the Visual Arts and Craft Strategy.	\$21,525
Tuggeranong Arts Centre	To assist with costs of delivering community projects as part of the Regional Arts Fund.	\$16,417

EVENTS ACT

ACT Event Fund 2016

The ACT Event Fund has been established as a key mechanism for stimulating and fostering a range of positive economic, social and community outcomes for the Canberra region through the festival and events sector.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Canberra Comedy Company Pty Ltd	Canberra Comedy Festival.	\$19,723
National Folk Festival Ltd	National Folk Festival.	\$20,000

Craft ACT: Craft and Design Centre	DESIGN Canberra.	\$32,000
Canberra & Region Truffle Festival	The Truffle Festival.	\$20,000
You Are Here Ltd	You Are Here.	\$20,000
Capital Football	Kanga Cup.	\$60,000
Harris Hobbs	Contour 556.	\$20,000
Canberra International Music Festival	Canberra International Music Festival.	\$20,000
Elite Energy	Canberra Triathlon Festival.	\$15,000
Stronger Than Fiction Documentary Film Festival	Stronger Than Fiction Documentary Film Festival.	\$27,500
Canberra Fishermans Club	2016 Canberra Carp-Out.	\$5,000
Canberra International Film Festival	Canberra International Film Festival.	\$20,000
Brindabella Motor Sport Club	National Capital Rally.	\$17,500
Canberra Glassworks Ltd	Winter Glass market and Hindmarsh Prize.	\$16,500
The Village Building Company	Voices in the Forest 2015.	\$48,000
Cycling ACT	2016 U19 Road National Championships (cycling).	\$10,000
Hotel Hotel Group	Fix and Make (instalment 2).	\$50,000
Cultural Facilities Corporation	Spiegeltent 2016.	\$35,000
Summernats Pty Ltd	Summernats 2016.	\$40,000
Canberra Writers Festival	Canberra Writers Festival 2016.	\$50,000
FASHFEST Pty Ltd	FASHFEST 2016.	\$65,000

INNOVATION, TRADE AND INVESTMENT

2016 ACT Adult Community Education (ACE) Grants Program

The ACT Adult Community Education (ACE) Grants Program is designed to support quality adult community learning opportunities in a range of formal and informal settings using flexible and learner centred activities. The ACT ACE Grants Program aims to increase opportunities for individuals to access vocational education and training (VET) by:

- > providing pathways and bridging programs that are not funded elsewhere
- > attracting people who have experienced barriers to learning

- > attracting and supporting people identified as members of strategic priority groups (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, victims of family and domestic violence)
- > addressing a community need; and
- > providing learning opportunities that are flexible, innovative, customised and community based.

Details of the ten projects to be delivered by eight recipients of ACT ACE Grants Program funding in 2016 are provided below.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Belconnen Arts Centre Incorporated	IGNITE: Connect (a course as part of IGNITE: Alternative Arts Academy) will emphasise experiential and contextualised learning for artists with a disability.	\$20,000
Belconnen Community Services Inc.	Youth Employment Pathways will deliver alternative education, training and employment pathways for up to thirty vulnerable unemployed young people aged 18 to 24.	\$19,746
Companion House Assisting Survivors of Torture and Trauma	Mentoring and inclusions for young people will provide support to young asylum seekers in their efforts to establish pathways to vocational education and training.	\$20,000
	Pathways for young people will provide vocational education and training for young asylum seekers/refugees with financial barriers and no support networks.	\$19,850
Domestic Violence Crisis Service Incorporated	Strengths based vocational training for victims of domestic violence will provide training for women who have experienced domestic violence to gain skills to enter the workforce or further education.	\$19,933
Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services of the ACT Inc.	English for Employment is designed to build strong English language skills that allow migrants and refugees to pursue education and employment opportunities in the broader community.	\$20,000
Sexual Health and Family Planning	SoSAFE! Transition to work for adults living with intellectual disabilities provides a pathway for individuals with an Intellectual Disability and Autism Spectrum Disorder to enter the workforce with a greater understanding of social skills and social safety.	\$13,088
Support Asian Women's Friendships	Stepping Up – Learning Workplace Computer will provide training for mature adult learners from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.	\$17,383
Uniting Care Kippax	Kippax Connections – General Community will support socially disadvantaged adults to transition into vocational education and training (VET) pathways, by assisting them to overcome both individual and social barriers to participation.	\$20,000
	Kippax Connections – CALD will support individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds to transition into vocational education and training (VET) pathways, by assisting them to overcome both individual and social barriers to participation.	\$20,000

CBR Innovation Development Fund

CBR Innovation Development Fund (CBR IDF) is a competitive grant program to support activities that develop the capability and growth of the ACT's innovation ecosystem. The focus of the CBR IDF is to deliver new resources, services, technology and investment to meet identified gaps within the local innovation sector.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
University of Canberra	Project to develop a prototype Open Data Commons platform allowing the collection and integration of multiple types of individual and publically available health-related data.	\$150,000
CBR Innovation Network Ltd	Collaborative Innovation Lab – brings companies, research providers and organisations together to support Canberra businesses and industry sectors through productive collaborative relationships.	\$100,000
Young Women's Christian Association of Canberra	YWCA Computer Clubhouse - the Computer Clubhouse Network comprises over 100 Clubhouses in 20 countries, providing computer access to young people. The YWCA Computer Clubhouse opened in October 2014 and provides an innovative, creative, out-of-school learning space where young people can work with adult mentors to develop new skills through the use of technology.	\$50,000
CBR Innovation Network Ltd	KILN Incubator – supports high-growth potential businesses and ventures in the ACT through provision of highly customised business incubation services.	\$100,000
Significant Capital Ventures Pty Ltd	Collaboration between the ANU, Hindmarsh and the ACT Government to establish a privately funded venture fund aimed attracting international investment to the ACT deployed from the Significant Investor Visa scheme.	\$50,000
Hospital Intellectual Property ACT Ltd	'REALISE' project-health sector network of scientists, medical professionals, innovators and investors working to improve healthcare using technology and innovation. REALISE promotes collaboration within the healthcare innovation community to bring innovative products and services to market and to improve patient care.	\$50,000
Australian National University (ANU)	ANU Space Research and Innovation Hub – support for the ACT Space and Innovation Cluster, an ACT Government initiative outlined in Confident and Business Ready: Building on Our Strengths to help establish a Space Research and Innovation Hub at Mount Stromlo.	\$50,000
University of Canberra (UC)	SportsTek Lab – support for the CBR SportsTek Lab at the University of Canberra's Sporting Commons to establish a laboratory focused on sports technology.	\$150,000

Study Canberra Scholarship Program

Study Canberra scholarships work in partnership with local institutions and the private sector to increase the promotion of Canberra as a study destination and to support the engagement of the ACT business community. Study Canberra delivered the following scholarships during 2015-16.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
The University of New South Wales (UNSW)	UNSW Canberra - Study Canberra Scholarship Study Canberra partnered with UNSW Canberra to offer 10 scholarships in 2016 to international PhD students commencing study in Semester 1 or 2. The UNSW - Study Canberra Scholarship is a co-funded program to attract outstanding international students to Canberra as their study destination. Five scholarships were offered in each semester of 2016.	\$50,000
The Australian National University (ANU)	ANU - Study Canberra India Scholarship Study Canberra partnered with ANU to deliver scholarships to new international students from India entering into postgraduate or undergraduate coursework programs at the ANU commencing in Semester 1 February 2016. The Scholarships are highly competitive and offered to successful applicants who have achieved at an excellent level in their final years of schooling or university studies in India.	\$50,000

Innovation Connect: Accelerating Innovation

Innovation Connect is a competitive grant program that supports Canberra-based businesses develop innovative products and services. The Accelerating Innovation category is targeted at local companies that have proven the feasibility of their innovation concept and require product to market readiness. Applicants can apply for funding between \$5,000 and \$10,000 and must match the funding provided.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
NatureMapr	NatureMapr helps organisations collect, manage and analyse information from the natural world.	\$9,980
Pendulum Technology Pty Ltd	The development of a scraping algorithm and market testing for the Bindle App.	\$10,000
Burnology Pty Ltd	Assist with commercialisation of Burnology Unite, a web-based collaborative emergency management system for use by Incident Management Teams and fire fighters.	\$10,000
Hollie Bell	Develop climb stopper an economical way to improve balcony safety with a fast and simple set up.	\$10,000
Sega Electric	Develop an innovative motor controller technology for sensorless brushless DC electric motors. This technology will add reliability and safety to the motor industry.	\$10,000

Mobflic Pty Ltd	Mobflic transforms ordinary users into extraordinary storytellers. Mobflic offers an exciting range of scripts written by professional storytellers and directors. The scripts guide users on which shots to take then stitches the shots together applying the latest post-production features to produce professionally finished videos.	\$10,000
M&T Kendall Pty Ltd	H2Protein is a low-carb flavoured protein water with electrolytes.	\$7,000
Agincourt Bio Consulting Pty Ltd	The development of an intellectual property strategy for the REVAC diagnostic test kit.	\$10,000
Lightning Rock Pty Ltd	Marble Mountain is a 3D platform computer game that takes advantage of Virtual Reality technology to blend retro arcade game play with a modern cinematic adventure.	\$5,500
Document Modelling Pty Ltd	The Intelligent Composition Engine (ICE) is desktop software that helps lawyers write contracts faster with a high level of integrity. ICE DataBase allows contracts to be stored in the cloud. Content is searchable and a lawyer can compose a contract by searching for existing clauses and dragging them into a contract.	\$7,000

Innovation Connect: Proof of Technology

Innovation Connect is a competitive grant program that supports Canberra-based businesses develop innovative products and services. The Proof of Technology category provides matched-funding support of up to \$30,000 for technology focused businesses and entrepreneurs to develop viable, innovative products and services along the commercialisation pathway.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
HLS Vehicles Customisation Pty Ltd	Conrod – a connected hardware device designed to add intelligence and automation to otherwise feature-limited vehicles.	\$50,000
Health Innovate Pty Ltd	An online marketplace for health innovation connecting researchers, consumers, health trial candidates, investors, governments and public health organisations.	\$30,000
KR Consultancy Services Pty Ltd	Questagame is a mobile adventure game based on identifying species in the natural environment.	\$47,500
Hact Pty Ltd	An online platform for 10–17 year olds that fosters an on-going engagement with digital-enabled technologies.	\$35,000
CoachLive	The development of a set of internet connected sensors and associated support for rowing boats. The project aims to improve the performance of athletes and coaches through better measurement and analysis.	\$40,550

LinkTap Pty Ltd	A low power, battery-operated wireless watering timer that can be easily programmed and controlled through mobile phones.	\$45,000
Lighthouse Business Innovation Centre Ltd	StartUp Realm is an interactive platform that engages educators and students in the process of innovation.	\$41,000
Trevaa Pty Ltd	Trevaa is a customisable travel planning tool to help travellers personalise their travel planning.	\$45,000
Roller Coaster Digital Pty Ltd	Jaja makes it easy to connect with people and manage contacts, on any platform, in the same place, using one tool.	\$39,061
Air Realty Pty Ltd	Air Realty allows anyone to build a real estate sales package and sell their property with or without a professional sales agent.	\$45,000
Ambe Engineering Pty Ltd	ECON SLAB is an Insulated Concrete Thermal Mass Slab System which places the insulation on the underside and edges of the concrete slab and prevents leakage of energy to achieve substantial energy savings.	\$45,000
Diabetes Domination Pty Ltd	The product removes and stores blood testing strips after using a meter to test blood glucose levels.	\$27,100
SOAPdrones Pty Ltd	SOAPdrones designs and develops cutting-edge drone technology for military and commercial use.	\$30,000
Vendone Consulting Pty Ltd	A distributed language learning platform that allows teachers and learning institutions to support students with learning pronunciation outside the classroom.	\$30,000
Aid Practice Pty Ltd	Aidapp.io is a mobile and software application to enable better, faster and more equitable exchanges between practitioners working in developing countries.	\$30,000
Record Time Pty Ltd	Record Time paperless docketing solution.	\$30,000
Today's Plan Pty Ltd	The Integrated Training Centre (ITC) is a white-labelled version of the Today's Plan training system, specifically tailored for integration with a cycling technology device manufacturer.	\$30,000
Olympia Yarger	GOTs-Feed is pellets or meal made from Black Soldier Fly larvae that has been through an extrusion process. GOTsDirt is a health and nutritious soil supplement made from larvae waste. GOTsRubbish is our food waste collection service.	\$30,000
Poppin Code	Poppin Code is an online school to help kids learn about coding and digital technology. The content is fun, well-researched, personal and aligns with the Australian Curriculum for Digital Technologies.	\$24,000

AxSys Performance Pty Ltd	The AxSys GPS is an elite Sport GPS targeting performance analysis for the aspiring amateur and talent identification athlete at a consumer price.	\$30,000
Rockstars and Royalty	An online collection of high-quality, customisable special occasion dress in the Rockstars and Royalty signature vintage-inspired style that will be available in a large range of standard and custom sizes.	\$30,000
The Trustee for Austra Rose Trust	Environmentally friendly electroluminescent paint suitable for three dimensional objects, signage and lighting solutions.	\$10,000

ScreenACT

ScreenACT is the ACT Office of Film, Television & Digital Media. ScreenACT delivers a range of professional and project development activities for the local screen industry by attracting and supporting production activity in the ACT and by representing the local industry's interests at local, national and international forums.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Screen Industry Association Limited	Delivery of ScreenACT.	\$250,000

STEM 4 Digital Business Internship Program

The STEM 4 Digital Business Internship Program supports ACT businesses build job-ready skills in undergraduate students studying Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). The program provides funding support to ACT based businesses to recruit an undergraduate student intern in a STEM field at a Canberra-based tertiary institution for 12 weeks full-time (or 450 hour part-time).

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Kinetic Performance	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500
Euclidify Pty Ltd	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500
APositive Pty Ltd	Provision of two STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$13,636 (\$6,818 x2)
Content group Pty Ltd	Provision of two STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$15,000 (\$7,500 x2)

Hugh Gordon Architect Pty Ltd	Provision of two STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$15,000 (\$7,500 x2)
Intelledox Pty Ltd	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,300
National Youth Science Forum	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$6,203
Sign on Site Pty Ltd	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500
Today's Plan	Provision of two STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$15,000 (\$7500 x2)
Centre for Internet Safety	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500
Instaclustr	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500
Random Computing Services Pty Ltd	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500
Barmco Mana Partnerships	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500
*Australian Information Industry Association	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500 (applicant withdrew nil paid)
*eReflect Pty Ltd	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500 (applicant withdrew nil paid)
*Australian Mathematics Trust	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500 (applicant withdrew nil paid)
*InterfereX Communications Pty Ltd	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500 (applicant withdrew nil paid)
*iCognition Pty Ltd	Provision of a STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500 (applicant withdrew nil paid)
*SignonSite Pty Ltd	Provision of a second STEM 4 Business Internship paid position to a tertiary student studying STEM for 450 hours (12 weeks).	\$7,500 (applicant withdrew nil paid)

1. * These organisations were awarded funding however subsequently withdrew their applications. Zero payments were made. Allocated funds were reinvested back into the program.

Trade Connect

Trade Connect is a competitive grant program that supports Canberra-based businesses access a range of export market development activities, including market visits, developing marketing material, promotion and advertising, participation in trade shows, supporting incoming buyer visits, market research and mentoring.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
4514 Avenue D Pty Ltd	November 2015 Singapore Trade Mission.	\$2,190
Addysk Pty Ltd	USA Trade Show – attending the major USA packaging and promotions trade expo.	\$7,500
Agincourt BioConsulting	USA, China Trade Show – attending a world bio-tech event to promote product and seek investment.	\$4,000
Airpocket	China Manufacturers Meeting – meetings with Chinese manufacturers to organise for production.	\$3,825
Ambe Engineering	USA, Canada Market Visit & Trade Show – exhibit product at World of Concrete expo and meet with potential manufacturers.	\$7,462
Ambe Engineering	USA, Canada Market Visit & Trade Show – finalise trial of product in Canada and seek product registration. Meet with potential Indian distributors and manufacturers.	\$7,500
Balloon Aloft Canberra Pty Ltd	Nov 2015 Singapore Trade Mission.	\$2,995
Bisa Hotels	Nov 2015 Singapore Trade Mission.	\$2,820
Bottles of Australia	South Korea Market Visit & Trade Show – promote product range and meetings with distributors.	\$9,290
Burnology	USA, Canada Trade Show.	\$4,810
Canberra Convention Bureau	Nov 2015 Singapore Trade Mission.	\$2,587
CBR Innovation Network	Israel Trade Mission.	\$5,200
CBR Innovation Network	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$4,490
Centre For Internet Safety	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$3,790
Centre for Internet Safety	Nov 2015 Singapore Trade Mission.	\$2,245
Clarus Technologies Pty Ltd	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$4,469
Cogito Group	Nov 2015 Singapore Trade Mission.	\$2,500
Cogito Group	Europe Trade Show – promoting software and meetings with resellers and potential partners.	\$9,830
Cogito Group	New Zealand Workshop - promoting software products and negotiations with NZ Government for sales.	\$1,008

DAMsmart	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$3,640
Davoodi	Australian Trade Show- promotion of product and service offering to local and international attendees.	\$2,925
Davoodi	USA Trade Show - promotion of product and service offerings and discussions with potential partners at US trade expo.	\$6,940
Delv Pty Ltd	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$3,640
Delv Pty Ltd	Nov 2015 Singapore Trade Mission.	\$3,000
eReflect	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$3,890
Euclidify Pty Ltd	US Conference & Trade Shows – promotion and displaying product and services. Meetings with potential partners and investors.	\$5,850
Euclidify Pty Ltd	US Conference & Trade Shows – promotion and displaying product. Delivering training programs to potential partners.	\$1,525
Funnelback	US Conference & customer visits.	\$7,500
Fyshh iPhone Development	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$5,089
Gamma Vaccines	Asia, Europe Market Visit & Trade Show – visiting potential partner organisations and discussions with investors.	\$10,370
Gravity Consulting	Apr 2016 China Trade Mission.	\$2,405
HLS Vehicle Customisation	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$5,089
Intelledox Pty Ltd	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$4,798
iSimulate	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$5,369
IT Power (Australia) Pty Ltd	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$7,500
Kinetic Performance Technology	US Conference – promoting their Gymaware product and services, meeting with current customers and visiting potential new customers.	\$7,075
KreiWorks	France, Canada Trade Show – trade mission with ScreenACT.	\$4,000
KreiWorks	US Trade Show – promotion of documentary and childrens TV programs and production.	\$3,650
Lightning Rock	US Trade Show & PR Consultation – attend major game show PACS.	\$9,285
Lightning Rock	US Trade Show & PR Consultation – invited to present at games expo and meet with PR agencies.	\$2,799
Link Web Services Pty Ltd	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$2,495

Liquid Instruments	US, Canada Conference – promotion of products and services.	\$5,160
Liquid Instruments	US Trade Show - promotion of products and services and meetings with potential customers.	\$4,650
Mobflic Pty Ltd	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$4,940
National Capital Educational Tourism	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$5,100
Octavo Wines	China Trade Show – promotion of local wines and Canberra wine district.	\$5,743
Octavo Wines	Apr 2016 China Trade Mission - promotion of local wines and Canberra wine district.	\$3,000
Orient Partners	Apr 2016 China Trade Mission.	\$2,365
Patissez	Singapore, Malaysia Trade Visit- meeting with partners / investors in preparation for opening of first international location.	\$2,833
Power Savings Centre Canberra	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$4,832
QuintessenceLabs	Oct 2015 US Trade Mission.	\$1,800
Quizling	US Market Visits & Market Research – promotion of product and engagement with US business contacts.	\$7,950
ScreenCraft	Apr 2016 China Trade Mission.	\$3,000
Shaw Vineyard Estate	China Market Visit & Trade Show.	\$7,500
Shaw Vineyard Estate	Apr 2016 China Trade Mission.	\$3,000
Siege Sloth Games	US Trade Show - attend major game show PACS.	\$4,397
Sietronics	Italy Conference – promotion and marketing of product and services.	\$1,825
Solution Solution (Prima Facie Group Pty Ltd)	Nov 2015 Singapore Trade Mission.	\$3,000
Today's Plan	Europe, US Market Visit & Trade Show – promotion of product and services and meetings with potential customers.	\$15,000

Sponsorship Programs

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Regional Development Australia ACT Inc	2016 Sponsorship of SERREE Industry Cluster to support an ACT region renewable energy industry cluster.	\$10,000
Capital Angels Pty Limited	Sponsorship of the Capital Angels 10 year anniversary – innovation sector networking event.	\$5,000
Locate Conferences Australia Pty Ltd	ACT Government sponsorship for Locate16 conference April 2016 to promote Canberra strengths in the space and spatial economy sector.	\$10,000
The Pearcey Foundation Inc	2016 Chief Minister's Pearcey Award – highest individual award category within the Digital iAwards.	\$5,000
Canberra & District NAIDOC Aboriginal Corporation	Sponsorship of 2016 Canberra NAIDOC Awards - NAIDOC Week celebrations and activities that support the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.	\$2,500
CBR Innovation Network Limited	Sponsorship of First Wednesday Connect – monthly CBR Innovation Network networking event.	\$1,500
ANU Clubs and Societies	Malaysian Students' Organisation (MSO) Malaysian Night Platinum Sponsorship - Sponsorship of the Malaysian Student's Association annual dinner to promote Study Canberra to Malaysian students.	\$2,000
Australian Sports Technologies Network	Sponsorship ACT Sports Technology Showcase/Expo (November 2015).	\$35,000
National ICT Australia Limited	Territory sponsorship of Digital Careers Program.	\$36,364

SPORT AND RECREATION SERVICES

2016 Sport and Recreation Grant Program

The Sport and Recreation Grants Program provides assistance to organisations to support participation in active lifestyles through the delivery of quality programs, services and facilities for the benefit of the Canberra community.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Achilles Running Club Canberra Incorporated	Coach education program to increase participation by disabled members in ACT fun runs.	\$400
ACT & Southern NSW Rugby Union	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
ACT Badminton Association Inc	Operational assistance.	\$5,000

ACT Baseball Association	Triennial assistance.	\$45,000
ACT Basketball Inc	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
ACT BMX Association	Operational assistance.	\$5,000
ACT BMX Association	Operational assistance.	\$5,000
ACT Broomball Association Inc	Operational assistance.	\$3,500
ACT Chess Association Inc	Operational assistance.	\$2,500
ACT Companion Dog Club	Replacement of watering system and pressure pump.	\$60,000
ACT Cricket Association	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
ACT Cycling Federation (Cycling ACT)	Electronic lap counter.	\$1,835
ACT Cycling Federation (Cycling ACT)	Narrabundah velodrome storage container.	\$1,550
ACT Cycling Federation (Cycling ACT)	Triennial assistance.	\$26,000
ACT Down Syndrome Association	Xtreme Stars dance troupe.	\$7,464
ACT Equestrian Association	Purchase of arena maintenance tractor.	\$8,800
ACT Equestrian Association	Operational assistance.	\$10,000
ACT Fencing Association	Operational assistance.	\$8,500
ACT Football Federation (Capital Football)	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
ACT Football Federation (Capital Football)	Support for feasibility and design of new football facility.	\$40,000
ACT Gymnastic Association Inc	Building event capacity in the ACT.	\$11,500
ACT Hang gliding and Paragliding Association	Operational assistance.	\$3,000
ACT Ice Hockey Association	Operational assistance.	\$5,000
ACT Ice Hockey Association	International travel to world championship.	\$500
ACT Little Athletics Association	Triennial assistance.	\$26,000
ACT Monaro District Golf Association Inc	Operational assistance.	\$6,000
ACT Pistol Association Inc	Operational assistance.	\$5,000

ACT Rogaining Association	Operational assistance.	\$5,000
ACT Rowing Association	Triennial assistance.	\$45,000
ACT Table Tennis Association Inc	Table tennis for senior/veteran players and players from a non-English speaking background.	\$3,688
ACT Tenpin Bowling Association	Operational assistance.	\$7,500
ACT Ultimate Association Inc	Operational assistance.	\$7,500
ACT Veteran's Athletic Club Inc	Purchase of equipment trailer.	\$3,130
ACT Water Ski Association Inc	Operational assistance.	\$5,000
ACTSPORT	Triennial assistance.	\$81,200
AFL NSW/ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
Athletics ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$26,000
Australia - Mon Association of the ACT Inc	Mon women and young girls learn to swim program.	\$3,300
Basketball ACT - ACT Intellectual Disabled Men's Basketball Team	Assistance to attend the 2016 Ivor Burge National Championships in Ipswich, Queensland.	\$500
Belconnen Dog Obedience Club	Portable fencing.	\$1,080
Billiards and Snooker Association ACT Inc	Operational assistance.	\$2,500
Bowls ACT	Jack Attack Program – recreation bowls program.	\$20,000
Bowls ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$45,000
Boxing ACT Inc	Operational assistance.	\$5,000
Burley Griffin Canoe Club Inc	Operational assistance.	\$6,000
Calisthenics ACT Inc	Coach mentoring program.	\$2,700
Calisthenics ACT Inc	Operational assistance.	\$10,000
Calwell Little Athletics Club	Replacement high jump mats.	\$2,700
Canberra City Gym	Sports loan interest subsidy scheme extension of gymsport facility Belconnen.	\$506
Canberra City Gym	Extension of gymsport facility Belconnen.	\$253
Canberra Bowling Club	Green conversion to synthetic.	\$74,500
Canberra City Gymnastics Club	Equipment replacement program.	\$6,150

Canberra District Rugby League	Triennial assistance.	\$45,000
Canberra Dragon Boat Association	Operational assistance.	\$10,000
Canberra Institute of Technology Student Association	Let's get Fit – Yoga classes for Indigenous Elders of all Ages.	\$3,070
Canberra Rifle Club Inc	Replacement of target sheds.	\$14,000
Canberra Rifle Club Inc	Operational assistance.	\$5,000
Canberra Skateboarding Association	2016 coaching and events program – progression sessions.	\$7,000
Canberra Yacht Club	Buoyed Up Program rescue boats.	\$9,000
Capital Football	FEVER Footballathon.	\$500
Capital Pentanque Incorporated Club	Construction of Weston Park bouldrome.	\$54,970
Cricket ACT	Global Cricket Day.	\$5,200
Eastern Suburbs Rugby Club	Replacement of storage facilities.	\$10,000
Ginninderra Athletics Club	Enhanced athletic access for athletes with disabilities and older athletes.	\$3,898
Ginninderra Athletics Club Inc	Athletics transition program.	\$4,150
Gymnastics ACT Inc	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
Hall Pony Club	Purchase of replacement trailer to transport equipment.	\$4,000
Hockey ACT	Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme Greenway Fields Development.	\$14,850
Hockey ACT	Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme Greenway Fields Development.	\$14,231
Hockey ACT	Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme Greenway Fields Development	\$13,613
Hockey ACT	Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme Greenway Fields Development.	\$12,994
Hockey ACT	Carter pitch replacement (synthetic).	\$250,000
Hockey ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
Judo Federation of Australia ACT Inc	Operational assistance.	\$5,000
Kippax Tennis Club	Upgrade of two synthetic courts (part of broader commitment to upgrade).	\$39,000
National Capital Horse Trials Association	Showjumping equipment.	\$10,150

Netball ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
Orienteering ACT Inc	Triennial assistance.	\$26,000
Pedal Power ACT	Youth recreational bike rides.	\$9,225
Pedal Power ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$76,000
Physical Activity Foundation	Active Kids Challenge.	\$110,000
Queanbeyan Multilingual Centre	Football United.	\$20,800
Riding For The Disabled Of The ACT Incorporated	Riding for the Disabled Association of Australia National Coaches Workshop.	\$10,500
Royal Life Saving Society Australia - ACT Branch	ACT Junior Lifeguard Club – educating older primary school students.	\$20,000
Royal Life Saving Society Australia - ACT Branch	Triennial assistance.	\$25,000
SnowSports ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$26,000
Softball ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
Special Olympics ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$17,000
Sports Medicine Australia ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$45,000
Sports Medicine Australia Federation	First Aid Skills in Sport for Filcom sporting volunteer group.	\$6,793
Squash ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$45,000
Swimming ACT Inc	Triennial assistance.	\$26,000
Table Tennis ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$26,000
Tennis ACT	Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme Redevelopment of Canberra Tennis Centre.	\$17,063
Tennis ACT	Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme Redevelopment of Canberra Tennis Centre.	\$16,625
Tennis ACT	Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme Redevelopment of Canberra Tennis Centre.	\$16,188
Tennis ACT	Sports Loan Interest Subsidy Scheme Redevelopment of Canberra Tennis Centre.	\$15,750
Tennis ACT	Opening Up Tennis – Electronic booking system.	\$25,539
Tennis ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
The Scout Association of Australia ACT Branch - Kama Scout Group	Roof replacement.	\$30,000

The Scout Association of Australia ACT Branch - Lake Ginninderra	Floor upgrade at Lake Ginninderra Scout Hall.	\$7,000
Touch Football ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
Triathlon ACT Inc	Triennial assistance.	\$70,000
Triathlon ACT incorporated	Triathlon TRYstars Inclusion Program.	\$7,393
Tuggeranong Archery Club	Purchase of defibrillator.	\$1,245
Volleyball ACT	Triennial assistance.	\$45,000
Water Polo ACT	Operational assistance.	\$7,500
Wheelchair Sports NSW	Canberra Chargers Wheelchair Basketball Program.	\$6,994
Yachting ACT	Operational assistance.	\$6,000

National League Team Program

The primary objective of the National League Team Program is to enhance the elite sports environment in the ACT through Government sponsorship of national league sporting teams to assist with their operational costs.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Basketball ACT	Canberra Gunners National League Team Program.	\$40,000
Canberra Cavalry	National League Team Program.	\$48,250
Capital Football	Canberra United National League Team Program.	\$90,000
CBR Brave	National League Team Program.	\$48,250
Cricket ACT	ACT Meteors National League Team Program.	\$29,000
Cricket ACT	ACT Comets National League Team Program.	\$29,000
Netball ACT	Canberra Darters National League Team Program.	\$29,000
Orienteering ACT	Cockatoos Men's Team National League Team Program.	\$12,000
Orienteering ACT	Cockatoos Women's team National League Team Program.	\$12,000
Team Suzuki Trek	Women's Cycling National League Team Program.	\$18,000
Tennis ACT	Canberra Velocity men's team National League Team Program.	\$18,000
Tennis ACT	Canberra Velocity women's team National League Team Program.	\$18,000

Volleyball ACT	Canberra Heat men's team National League Team Program.	\$ 18,000
Volleyball ACT	Canberra Heat women's team National League Team Program.	\$18,000

TERRITORY VENUES

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
28 Sporting Innovations	Funding assistance for the Stromlo Running Festival at Stromlo Forest Park.	\$40,000
Australian Fellowship of Evangelical Students	Provision of discounted indoor facilities, catering and camping for the staging of the National Training Event. The event brings approx 1,500 students from around Australia to Canberra for five nights increasing bed nights in local accommodation. Exhibition Park Corporation was able to demonstrate its commitment to youth engagement programs and driving domestic tourism to the region.	\$93,000
Canberra Lapidary Club Inc.	Provision of discounted indoor facilities for the staging of the Spring Gemcraft and Mineral Show. These events are the clubs' main activities aimed at showcasing and raising the club's profile to the wider community. Exhibition Park Corporation was able to demonstrate its commitment to special interest groups.	\$1,400
Canberra Muslim Community Inc.	Provision of discounted indoor facilities for daily prayer gatherings during the month of Ramadan.	\$8,000
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Canberra	Provision of discounted indoor facilities for specialty club's dog show. Exhibition Park Corporation was able to demonstrate its support to special interest community groups.	\$2,200
Great Southern Supreme Merino Committee	Provision of discounted facilities for the staging of the Great Southern Merino Show and Sale. The event provides an opportunity for merino studs to show and sell their sheep and allows EPIC to show its support for agricultural groups.	\$4,800
Lifeline Canberra	Provision of indoor facilities for the staging of Lifeline's Spring Book Fair. The book fairs are Lifeline's primary fundraising event aimed at generating income to support its 24 hour telephone counselling service and other services. Each fair attracts approximately 13,000 people and raises close to \$500,000. Exhibition Park Corporation was able to demonstrate its commitment to not-for-profit organisations working within the Canberra community.	\$95,150
National Folk Festival	Provision of discounted EPIC facilities for the staging of an annual folk festival. The event attracts approximately	\$117,500

50,000 people across the five day festival and increases bed nights in local accommodation across the long weekend.

Pedal Power	Funding assistance for Amy's big Canberra Bike Ride.	\$2,500
Royal National Capital Agricultural Society (RNCAS) National Wine Show of Australia Junior Judging Education Day Canberra Regional Wine Show	Provision of indoor and outdoor facilities for the staging of agricultural and community events. Exhibition Park Corporation's ongoing support to the RNCAS helps promote the agriculture industry in Canberra and the region and provides a range of community, educational and family events. Exhibition Park receives national media exposure from events run by the RNCAS. The Royal Canberra Show attracts close to 100,000 people each year.	\$129,120
Veteran Vintage Motorcycle Club ACT Inc.	Provision of indoor and outdoor facilities for the staging of the Club's Annual Swap Meet. The swap meet is a primary event for this special interest club with activities aimed at showcasing and raising the club's profile to the wider community. Exhibition Park Corporation was able to demonstrate its support to special interest community groups.	\$4,400

VISITCANBERRA

Special Event Fund

The ACT Government's Special Event Fund, administered by Visit Canberra, seeks to invest in major events that provide the opportunity to increase promotion of the ACT and Canberra region in the domestic and international markets – with a view to drive increased interstate and international visitation and generate positive economic outcomes to the Territory.

Special Event Funding is available on a minimum dollar for dollar basis for funding of interstate and/or international marketing activities for events or exhibitions staged within the ACT. The co-operative nature of the Special Event Fund requires major investment by event partners to fund the necessary acquisition, creation and/or development of the exhibition or event.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Australian War Memorial	Promoting events staged during 2015 commemorating the 'Centenary of Anzac and the First World War'.	\$450,000
National Gallery of Australia	'Tom Roberts' exhibition, 4 December 2015 to 28 March 2016.	\$200,000
National Museum of Australia	'Encounters' exhibition, 27 November 2015 to 28 March 2016.	\$200,000
National Library of Australia	'Celestial Empire, 1644 – 1911' exhibition, 2 January to 22 May 2016.	\$200,000
Fairfax Events	Enlighten Night Noodle Markets, 4 to 13 March 2016.	\$200,000
Hockey Australia	2016 Masters Hockey World Cup, 29 March to 6 April 2016.	\$50,000

Tourism Marketing Partnership Program

The Tourism Marketing Partnership Program provides co-operative dollar for dollar matched funding to traditional and non-traditional partners with marketing projects that align with the ACT Government Tourism 2020 objectives. The program's objectives are to:

- > deliver positive and measurable economic outcomes for the ACT tourism industry
- > align with VisitCanberra strategies, target markets and brand values
- > deliver vibrant, cooperative marketing campaigns that have the capacity to drive significant interstate and international overnight visitation and yield
- > promote Canberra as a short break destination
- > innovative and deliver compelling marketing strategies that challenge visitor perceptions and stimulate overnight bookings/conversion
- > form long term sustainable partnerships and maximise the opportunity to leverage influential industry distribution channels to advocate and influence visitors.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Abode Hotels	Three part campaign including National Dinosaur Museum, Visiting Family and Friends campaign with 3infun packages and 2016 Canberra Balloon Spectacular packages. Campaign period – 19 November 2015 to 31 March 2016.	\$59,408
IKEA and Vibe	Targeted campaign to drive awareness of both businesses opening (Vibe Hotel Canberra – 2 November and IKEA – 16 November) along with the depth and breadth of experiences that you can do in Canberra. Campaign period – 9 to 26 November 2015.	\$20,000
Accor and 3infun	Tactical advertising activity highlighting Canberra's key experience pillars – arts and culture, family fun and outdoors and adventure. Campaign period – November 2015 to November 2016.	\$60,000
TFE, Questacon and National Zoo and Aquarium	A consumer campaign developed to raise awareness in the family market for Vibe Hotel Canberra Airport with Questacon and National Zoo & Aquarium as key attraction partners. Campaign period – April to November 2016.	\$52,250
Accor	Tactical campaign targeting couples aged 30 to 65+ years, with a focus on Visit Canberra audience segments including socially aware and visible achiever from regional NSW and north east Victoria drive markets, as well as Sydney. In particular food and wine lovers, sports fans, arts and culture enthusiasts and skiers and snowboarders seeking a stopover location to or from the snowy mountains. Campaign period – 16 May to 9 September.	\$50,000
Abode Hotels	Three part campaign including National Dinosaur Museum, Visiting Family and Friends campaign with 3infun packages and 2016 Canberra Balloon Spectacular packages. Campaign period – 19 November 2015 to 31 March 2016.	\$59,408

Tourism Demand-Driver Infrastructure Program

In July 2014, Australian state and territory tourism ministers endorsed a set of overarching principles and a funding mechanism for the new Tourism Demand-Driver Infrastructure Program. The Commonwealth provided \$43.1 million over four years to the states and territories for the development of tourism infrastructure. Of this \$3.075 million has been made available to the ACT Government over 2014-18, administered via VisitCanberra.

The Tourism Demand-Driver Infrastructure Program provides monetary investment on a matched dollar for dollar basis, to develop tourism infrastructure, ensuring the benefits of any government investment can be multiplied across the sector. In particular the program supports projects that contribute to achieving the Tourism 2020 objectives.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Australian National Botanic Gardens	The Bushland Walking Trail at the Australian National Botanic Gardens will be developed through the Garden's bushland precinct. The Bushland Walking Trail will provide new nature-based experiences as part of stage 1 of the Garden's master plan, and a future connection through Black Mountain Nature Reserve to the National Arboretum Canberra.	\$80,000
National Arboretum Canberra	The Arboretum Augmented Reality App – AR-boretumis a unique way for visitors to immerse themselves in the wonders of the National Arboretum Canberra forests. It engages the senses and provides an innovative way to receive information in real time while visitors are actually in the forests.	\$40,000
Canberra and Region Visitors Centre	The Canberra and Region Visitors Centre Technology Solutions project delivered digital infrastructure to support the new and iconic Canberra and Region Visitors Centre at Regatta Point.	\$655,000

LAND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Sponsorships

The Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) is actively involved in a large range of activities in undertaking its primary role of enhancing the economic development of the ACT. It has a large stakeholder base that includes industry and business institutions, professional societies and community councils and groups.

The Land Development Agency's (LDA) partnership approach attracts many requests for sponsorship. The support requested may be in the form of cash payment, in-kind support through provision of goods, labour or services, or a combination of these.

Sponsorship provides an opportunity to enhance the LDA's and the ACT Government's corporate identity and promote government-delivered programs and services.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Australian Property Institute	Sponsorship of the Excellence in Property Awards.	\$4,400
Australian Property Institute (API)	Sponsorship of the API ACT Industry Forum 2016.	\$3,520
Canberra Glassworks	Winter Glass Market 2016 sponsor.	\$3,000
Communities@Work	Key sponsor of the 'Celebrate Gungahlin' festival.	\$15,800
Community Housing Canberra (CHC)	Sponsorship of the CHC Micro-Unit Exhibition.	\$10,000
Construction Industry Training Council (CITC)	Silver sponsor of the CITC Training Excellence Awards 2015.	\$2,750
Construction Industry Training Council (CITC)	Silver sponsor of the CITC Training Excellence Awards 2016.	\$1,650
Devil Moon	Sponsorship of the 2015 ACT Parties at the Shops event program.	\$15,000
Leukaemia Foundation	Sponsorship of the Light the Night event held at Kingston Foreshore 2015.	\$5,000
Master Builders Association	Sponsorship of the Civil Contractors Federation Earth Awards 2016.	\$3,800
MG Cultural Program	Sponsorship of the Art, Not Apart Festival 2016.	\$110,000
Real Estate Institute of the ACT	Sponsorship of the 2016 Home Buyers Expo.	\$5,500
Salvation Army	Sponsorship of the Christmas Carols at Tuggeranong Town Park.	\$5,000

Community Services Directorate

2015 International Day of People with Disabilities (I-DAY)

I-DAY is a United Nations sanctioned day that aims to promote awareness and understanding of disability issues and encourage support for the dignity, rights and wellbeing of people with disability.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Belconnen Arts Centre Inc	<p>Belconnen Art Centre's I-Day celebrations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Hidden Faces artists floor talks by IGNITE, artists living with disabilities > the opening of Hidden Faces, which presents art works by people with disabilities > a mixed ability dance devised and presented by IGNITE Theatre and Visual Art participants > dramatic performances by IGNITE Theatre participants > a convivial atmosphere for family friends and community, with light, in-house catering > professional technical production support, resulting in higher production values > professional musical performances including musicians with disabilities > professional catering > videographic documentation of the event, including interviews with participating artists with disabilities. 	\$5,000
House With No Steps	The DISH hosts a 'Youth Networking' event. Toby Halligan, an award-winning comedian, was the MC. Participants spent three minutes speaking to another person from the community or representative from a club/group/organisation, then moved to the next person; emulating the methods applied to speed networking.	\$3,500
Technical Aid to the Disabled ACT Inc	Walk 4 Ability, a 5km or 1km walk or ride around the central basin of Lake Burley Griffin, was designed to promote disability inclusion while also advocating for public accessibility with a wheelchair challenge hosted by the Canberra Chargers, the ACT wheelchair basketball team. Friends of Brain Injured Children and Boundless Playground joined in the Walk 4 Ability event on Saturday 28 November 2015.	\$5,000
Richmond Fellowship ACT Inc	<p>Fresh Mess aims to address the poor health outcomes for those living with severe and persistent mental health issues by promoting good health and a range of healthy lifestyle choices.</p> <p>The funds allowed Fresh Mess cooperative members to celebrate a successful year of participation in the running of the Fresh Mess program. The event celebrated the supportive and inclusive environment created by</p>	\$3,450

cooperative members to each other and provided a Christmas event for members who may otherwise be excluded or isolated from participating due to ongoing mental illness.

The aim of the Christmas Celebration was to create a relaxed and inclusive environment, free from the stress often encountered over the Christmas period, particularly for those living with a mental illness.

Ms Nipuni Wijewickrema (individual)	The GG's Flowers team run a series of flower classes that enable people with special needs to make their own floral arrangement and take it home. Participants were able to choose their colours and design and make it with their friends. At the conclusion, the students were given a chance to share a snack and celebrate their creations. They walked away with the satisfaction of creating their own masterpiece in a supported learning environment with a business that genuinely cares about people with special needs.	\$3,050
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Capacity Building Workshops and Promoting Self Advocacy

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Carers ACT Ltd	NDIS Carers Pathways and Carer Wellness Program.	\$60,000
ACT Disability Aged & Carer Advocacy Service Inc (ADACAS)	Capacity Building Workshops.	\$100,000
Advocacy for Inclusion Inc	Promoting Self Advocacy.	\$50,000

2015 NDIS Business Investment Packages Grant (Round 1 & Round 2)

The packages provide tailored assistance to support eligible providers of disability services in the ACT to achieve their National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) related business plan objectives. Grants from \$1,000 to \$50,000 were allocated.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT All Abilities Occupational Therapy	Purchase specialist therapy equipment to deliver NDIS services in the ACT.	\$10,000
Autism Asperger ACT	Continue the development of a new service model and undertake organisational structural changes to prepare for its implementation.	\$50,000
Ballairs, Ryan T/A All Abilities Occupational Therapy	Purchase therapeutic equipment needed to provide disability services in the ACT.	\$10,000

Capital Therapy Services Pty Ltd	Towards the cost of human resources and recruitment advice and for information communication technology to support NDIS service delivery in the ACT.	\$10,000
C A R E Inc T/A Financial Counselling and Consumer Credit Legal Service	Consultancy assistance and non-recurrent staffing to support the development of an NDIS service in the ACT.	\$50,000
Community Connections Inc	Support the development of a new NDIS service in the ACT.	\$50,000
Community Options Inc	Employment of non-recurrent staff to operationally prepare the service for the NDIS.	\$50,000
Community Programs Association Inc (Lead)	Information communication technology to support NDIS service delivery in the ACT.	\$50,000
Darryl's Den Inc	Prepare the organisation for the NDIS.	\$10,000
Everyman Australia Inc (formerly Canberra Men's Centre Inc)	Towards the cost of enhancing information communication technology and consultancy support to prepare the organisation for the NDIS.	\$50,000
Hartley Lifecare Inc	Purchase of technical advice on the optimum integrated information communication technology system required by the organisation for the NDIS.	\$50,000
Holistic Health Group Canberra	Costs, including information communication technology and other equipment to establish an NDIS service in the ACT.	\$7,600
Just Better Care	Contribute to the cost of a business model for therapy services, plan management and support coordination and to develop a consumer advisory committee.	\$11,000
Kalinga Australia Pty Ltd	Operational costs associated with establishing an NDIS service in the ACT.	\$8,345
Koomarri	Employment of non-recurrent staff to prepare the organisation operationally for the NDIS.	\$50,000
L'arche Geneserat	Review and develop financial systems to operate in the NDIS environment.	\$50,000
Macdonald, Lauren T/A Easy, Speak, Learn - Speech Pathology Services	Operational costs associated with establishing an NDIS service in the ACT.	\$9,000
Manning, Pieta-Marie Elizabeth T/A Your Plan Way	Information communication technology to support NDIS service delivery in the ACT.	\$10,000
Mental Health Foundation (ACT) Inc	Support the preparation of the organisation as an NDIS provider in the ACT.	\$50,000
My OT! Therapy Services	Office and equipment costs to establish an NDIS occupational therapy service in the ACT.	\$10,000

Richmond Fellowship ACT Inc	Non-recurrent staffing costs to establish an NDIS recovery service for people with psychosocial disabilities.	\$50,000
Riding For The Disabled of The ACT Inc	Undertake an operational audit in order to operate in the NDIS environment.	\$50,000
Sexual Health and Family Planning ACT Inc	Towards the cost of information communication technology and non-recurrent staffing to continue the NDIS preparation activities.	\$50,000
Inclusive Fitness	Operational costs associated with establishing an NDIS service in the ACT.	\$10,000
St Vincent De Paul Pty Limited	Support the organisation's continued preparation as an NDIS provider in the ACT.	\$50,000
Technical Aid To The Disabled (ACT) Inc	The continuation of operational preparation for the NDIS.	\$50,000
The Deaf Society NSW	Towards the cost of upgrading the data management system to enhance services to people in the ACT deaf community.	\$50,000
Woden Community Service	Purchase of technical advice on the optimum integrated information communication technology to operate as an NDIS provider.	\$50,000
Irabina Autism Services	Non-recurrent staffing costs associated with establishing policies, procedures and systems to deliver NDIS services in the ACT.	\$50,000

2015 NDIS Community Participation Grants

The grants were available for organisations seeking sponsorship from the ACT Government towards costs associated with hosting NDIS subject matter conferences, seminars or other events in the ACT.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Deafness Resource Centre Inc	The Deafness Resource Hearing Awareness Week Expo.	\$5,000
Cranleigh School P&C	NDIS education events.	\$5,700
Friends of Brain Injured Children	Four NDIS workshops.	\$2,400
Koomarri	I-Can workshops.	\$10,000
Microboards Canberra	Cost of video editing retreat footage and production of documentary film.	\$5,000
Multiple Sclerosis Limited	NDIS mini-expos in November 2015 and March 2016.	\$5,000
Royal Society for the Blind	Three workshops assisting people who are blind or vision impaired to transition to the NDIS.	\$7,100

2015 NDIS Community Participation Grant

2015 NDIS Community Participation Grants were intended to assist eligible applicants to develop life goals or future plans for the NDIS. Grants of up to \$1,000 per person were available.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
234 individuals	Eligible applicants to develop life goals or future plans for the NDIS.	\$196,977

2016 NDIS Business Investment Packages Grant

2016 Business Investment Packages were available for eligible ACT-based organisations requiring tailored assistance to undertake NDIS business development. This included complex reform related to service design or establishment, financial viability, workforce redevelopment, human resource management, organisational structure and systems and governance. Twenty grants from \$6,750 to \$50,000 were allocated.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Disability Aged & Carer Advocacy Service Inc (ADACAS)	Engage consultancy advice, purchase office equipment and enhance information communication technology to operate more effectively in the NDIS environment.	\$40,000
Advocacy for Inclusion Inc	Engage consultancy assistance to develop a two-stage NDIS transition plan.	\$10,000
Alzheimer's Australia ACT Ltd	Enhance business management systems to operate more effectively in the NDIS environment.	\$50,000
Belconnen Community Service Inc	Integrate enhanced data management systems to the NDIS environment.	\$50,000
Capital Community Housing Inc	Engage non-recurrent staffing and consultancy assistance to design and implement enhanced business processes suited to the NDIS environment.	\$50,000
Duo Services Australia Ltd	Enhance information communication technology systems in both Duo and CatholicCare.	\$50,000
Hartley Lifecare Inc	Purchase software/hardware to enhance rostering and billing administration and engage non-recurrent staffing and consultancy assistance to develop and implement policies and procedures suited to the NDIS context and human resource management advice.	\$40,000
Inanna Inc	Enhance information communication technology systems to suit the NDIS environment.	\$30,000
Koomarri	Engage non-recurrent staffing to develop new NDIS programs and pathways.	\$50,000
O'Mahoney, Carolyn Patricia T/A Therapy 4 Kids	Develop service and staffing systems for the NDIS environment.	\$15,000

Print Handicapped Radio of ACT Inc	Employ short-term assistance to identify sustainable revenue streams, undertake business reform and implement marketing strategies.	\$50,000
Quest Employment Solutions Pty Ltd	Commission enhanced easy employer data management systems, partnering with Belconnen Community Service.	\$30,000
Riding for The Disabled of The ACT Inc	Engage consultancy advice and non-recurrent staffing to enhance administrative procedures and data management systems to suit the NDIS environment.	\$50,000
Schizophrenia Fellowship of NSW Inc T/A Sunflower Health Services	Enhance information, communication and technology equipment to support a mobile workforce suited to the NDIS environment.	\$10,000
Senger, Katharina T/A Little Hands Occupational Therapy	Towards start-up equipment and assessment tool costs.	\$6,750
Sharing Places Inc	Engage consultancy assistance to progress business analysis and reform, and to investigate and build opportunities for service partnerships including the potential to share therapy resources with Hartley Lifecare and Just Better Care.	\$50,000
Sexual Health And Family Planning ACT Inc (SHFPACT)	Toward non-recurrent costs associated with strategically reshaping SHFPACT's workforce to sustainably deliver services in the NDIS environment.	\$49,475
The Trustee For Nelson Family Trust T/A Just Better Care Canberra	Undertake business financial analysis to enhance efficiency in the NDIS environment.	\$15,000
Wheelchair Therapy Pty Ltd	Enhance information communication technology and purchase specialised therapy equipment.	\$10,000
Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Clinic/Health Service (ACT) Inc	Engage non-recurrent staffing to undertake work to progress Winnunga Nimmityjah's preparation to operate as a registered NDIS provider.	\$50,000

2016 NDIS Community Participation Grants (organisations)

Organisations were able to apply for a grant of up to \$10,000 to deliver an event in the ACT which will progress NDIS preparation and planning for potential NDIS participants, their families and other unpaid carers.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Belconnen Community Service	Towards the cost of NDIS information sharing sessions.	\$3,795
Vision Australia	Towards the cost of creating a short film to assist low vision/blind clients prepare for the NDIS.	\$10,000

The Deaf Society	Towards the cost of an NDIS pre-planning workshop for the ACT deaf community.	\$3,655
Your Plan Your Way	Towards the cost of participant information sessions, pre-planning workshops, one-on-one outreach sessions and an online video information resource.	\$10,000

2016 NDIS Community Participation Grants (individuals)

2016 NDIS Community Participation Grants were intended to assist eligible applicants to develop life goals or future plans for the NDIS. Grants of up to \$1,000 per person were available.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
82 individuals	Eligible applicants to develop life goals or future plans for the NDIS.	\$70,949

Disability Services and Policy Grants (Other)

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
BDW Special Events Management	Promote and coordinate the development and delivery of the Chief Minister's Inclusion Awards. This included: securing sponsorship and sponsorship packages; co-ordinating and promoting the Chief Minister's Inclusion Awards; co-ordinating related presentation function including ticketing; and co-ordinating post-event functions.	\$47,250
Enabled Employment Pty Ltd	Assist in the promotion, coordination, development and delivery of the Chief Minister's Inclusion Awards.	\$12,695
Individual client of Disability ACT	Pharmaceutical grant.	\$12,000

NDIS Sector Development Fund and Disability Fund

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Deafness Resource Centre inc	Sponsor Hearing Awareness Week Expo 2016.	\$2,500

Participation (Multicultural) Grants Program

The aim of the Participation (Multicultural) Grants Program is to enhance the ACT community through the development of innovative projects that contribute to sustainable communities by highlighting and promoting cultural diversity and social harmony. Funds will be directed towards activities that fall within the following categories:

- > National Multicultural Festival
- > community radio stations and multicultural community broadcasters
- > multicultural community participation and social harmony.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Bilingual Education Alliance	Celebrate and promote the languages and cultures of Canberra at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$1,500
ACT Chinese Australian Association Inc	Purchase costumes for the 2016 National Multicultural Festival, and assist radio program and cultural events.	\$2,000
ACT Chinese Women Cultural Association Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and purchase materials for workshops.	\$1,000
ACT Hazara Community	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival, celebration of cultural events and for the community radio.	\$2,500
ACT Pacific Islands United Council	Coordinate the stage performances at the Pacific Islands Showcase at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival, to provide assistance for the Council's radio program and for the Pacific Capital Fashion Show.	\$6,500
ACT Tibetan Community Inc	Cultural performance at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and organisation of cultural activities such as Losar, Tibetan New Year.	\$2,000
ACT Tongan Language and Cultural School	Purchase costumes for participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and assistance towards the radio program and events.	\$1,500
Alianza Cultural Latino Americana Inc (ACLA)	Provide assistance for the Latin American radio program.	\$1,500
Arthritis Foundation of the ACT Inc	Translate and print the organisation's information in five languages.	\$2,000
Association for Learning Mandarin in Australia Inc	Celebrate and promote Chinese language, Chinese culture and intercultural understanding.	\$1,000
ATN Canberra Inc	Organise a Continental Dance Festival and for a celebration of the Bengali New Year.	\$2,500
Aussie Forum Inc	Organise several forums and a lecture on topical and current issues for the Canberra community.	\$3,000
Australia China Friendship Society ACT Branch	Convene a lantern making workshop and organise the annual lantern festival.	\$1,500
Australia Mon Association Inc	Put on a Mon cultural performance at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and organise a Harmony Day event.	\$2,500
Australia Nepal Friendship Society	Purchase resources for the Nepali radio program and participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$1,500

Australian American Association Canberra Division	Coordinate and present an American experience extravaganza showcase at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$7,000
Australian Chinese Culture Exchange and Promotion Association Inc	Purchase costumes and accessories for performances at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$1,000
Australian Karen Organisation Inc (ACT Branch)	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to celebrate the Karen New Year and other activities.	\$1,900
Australian Tamil Cultural Society of the ACT Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and for the organisation of various cultural events.	\$2,500
Baila Chile Folk Dancers Inc	Perform in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and purchase new costumes.	\$1,000
Bangla Language and Cultural School	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to publish the school magazine.	\$1,500
Bangla Radio Canberra	Towards the running of the radio program and purchase of equipment and accessories.	\$1,300
Bangladesh Australia Association Canberra Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to celebrate Bengali New year and other cultural activities.	\$2,500
Bangladeshi Seniors Club, Canberra Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to celebrate other cultural events.	\$1,500
Bluestar Intercultural Centre	Assist with the organisation of the Centre's cultural activities.	\$2,500
Bodhisattva Kadampa Buddhist Centre	Make a promotional banner and flyers for the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$600
Bong Sanskriti Australia Inc	Showcase Bengali cultural heritage during Bengali New Year celebrations.	\$2,500
Bornomala Inc	Celebration of Diwali and other Australian national events.	\$1,500
Canberra and District Hungarian Cultural Association Inc	Commemorate major Hungarian historical events, observe national days and hold cultural and social events.	\$2,500
Canberra Chinese Language Teachers Society (CCLTS) Inc	Purchase costumes for participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$500
Canberra Chinese Methodist Church in Australia	Participate in the Woden Community Fair.	\$500
Canberra India Council Inc	Celebrate Indian cultural festivals including Holi, Vaisakhi Mela and Raksha Bandan.	\$7,000

Canberra Interfaith Forum	Organise interfaith activities during the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and other events.	\$2,500
Canberra Islamic Centre	Assist the radio program and the Canberra Islamic Centre's Open Day.	\$2,000
Canberra Islamic School	Contribute towards the celebrations of two Holy Eid festivals and the Ramadan Iftar.	\$2,500
Canberra Multicultural Community Forum Inc	Assist with the production of the Multicultural Voice radio program and the program's 10th anniversary celebrations.	\$1,000
Canberra Muslim Youth Inc and Islamic Society of Belconnen Inc	Assist with the Open Mosque Day.	\$2,500
Canberra Punjabi Sports and Cultural Association	Participate in the National Multicultural Festival and present Punjabi Bhangra and Giddha performances.	\$2,500
Canberra Singapore Club	Celebrate various cultural events.	\$1,500
Canberra Swiss Club Inc	Purchase resources for the Swiss radio program and towards the publication of the newsletter.	\$1,500
Canberra Tamil Association	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to assist with the running of the Association's radio programs.	\$2,000
Canberra Telugu Vaani and Samithi Inc	Assist with the Association's radio program.	\$500
Chabad ACT Limited	Participate in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and social harmony initiatives.	\$1,500
Chinese Photographic Federation of Australia (CPFA) Inc	Purchase photographic resources for use at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$500
CJC Nihongo Yochien (CJC Japanese Preschool/ Kindergarten)	Co-host the Japanese Autumn Festival in May 2016.	\$1,000
Community Radio 2XX FM Inc	Contribute towards the costs associated with running the radio station.	\$10,000
Cremeschnitten Chörli	Purposes under the Multicultural Community Participation, Social Harmony and Inclusion Initiatives category.	\$1,000
Cyprus Radio Program	Costs associated with the radio program.	\$1,300
Dante Alighieri Society of Canberra Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to produce the Dante Review newsletter.	\$1,500
Das Zentrum Australian-German Institute Inc	Assist with the German games stall, produce the newsletter and buy resources for the library.	\$1,500
El Salvador Australia Friendship Association	Participate in the National Multicultural Festival and assist with the radio program.	\$1,000

Ethnic Broadcasters Council of the ACT & Surrounding Districts Inc	Purchase equipment, CDs and USB sticks for the Multi Mix program.	\$480
Ethnic Broadcasters Council of the ACT and Surrounding Districts Inc	Assist with the broadcasting fees for the Women's <i>Yes She Can</i> and the Multimix programs.	\$1,000
Ethnic Broadcasters Council of the ACT And Surrounding Districts Inc	Towards costs associated with the <i>Yes She Can</i> radio program.	\$500
Federation of Chinese Associations of Australian Capital Territory (ACT) Inc	Coordinate and present the Chinese New Year celebrations at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$7,000
Federation of Chinese Community of Canberra Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to celebrate Chinese New Year activities.	\$2,000
Federation of Indian Associations of ACT (FINACT)	Celebrate community harmony day and produce a newsletter.	\$1,500
Fiji Australia Association of ACT Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and assistance towards Fijian cultural performances at the Association's Fiji Day celebrations.	\$2,000
Gilmore Church Inc	Develop leadership skills in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander kids through participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$1,000
Global Organisation of People of Indian Origin (GOPIO) Canberra Inc	Perform Indian cultural dance and songs at the National Multicultural Festival, to observe specific international days and for information dissemination.	\$2,500
Gujarati Samaj of ACT	Organise the Navaratri Festival celebration (Garba and Dandia Dance).	\$2,500
Gyongyosbokreta Folkloric Association Inc	Purchase boots for cultural performances at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to assist with the Hungarian folk dance camp.	\$2,500
Hellenic Broadcasting Program	Costs associated with the radio program.	\$1,300
India-Australia Association of Canberra Inc	Celebrate Holi festival at Stage 88 in Commonwealth Park.	\$2,500
Indian Seniors Well-Being Group	Purchase costumes and equipment for participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$1,000
Initiatives for Women in Need	Assist with the organisation's newsletter and to organise workshops for women in the south Asian community.	\$1,170
Integrated Cultures ACT Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and present cultural items from south Asia, assistance for Harmony Radio and purchase equipment.	\$2,500

International Mother Language Movement	Organisation of mother language workshops and events.	\$4,000
Italian Language School	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$850
Karnataka Association of Canberra Inc	Towards the celebration of various cultural activities.	\$1,500
Learning Filipino Together T/A Filipino Language School of Canberra	Costumes for the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to assist with the organisation's radio program.	\$1,500
Macedonian Orthodox Church Cultural and Educational Centre	Resources for the radio program.	\$1,300
Mandarin for Fun Playgroups	Resources for the Mandarin language radio program.	\$500
Mandir Society of Australia Inc	Costumes for performances at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to hold a Mandir open day.	\$2,000
Mauritius Community ACT	Showcase the culture of Mauritius at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and organise a cultural night to promote social harmony.	\$6,000
Niko Niko Japanese Language Playgroup ACT	Books for library and materials for cultural workshops.	\$800
Oranjefeest Canberra Inc	Contribute towards the annual Oranjefeest celebrations.	\$2,500
ORIOZ Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to purchase costumes as well as assistance for the annual newsletter and community events.	\$2,500
Pacific Island Showcase Association Inc	Coordinate the decorations and stalls layout for the Pacific Island Showcase for the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to assist with radio broadcasting information sessions for youth.	\$6,500
Pakistan Australia Friendship Association	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival, assistance for the Urdu radio program and community events.	\$2,500
Pakistan Cultural Association Inc (PCA)	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival, assistance for the Urdu radio program and celebration of cultural events.	\$2,500
Pearl of the Pacific Samoan Cultural and Dance Group Inc	Performance at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to purchase costumes and accessories.	\$2,000
Philippine Australian Association of the ACT and Monaro Region Inc	Publish a newsletter and to celebrate community events.	\$2,000

Polish Folkloric Dance Group Wielkopolska of Canberra	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival, and to purchase costumes and assist with the organisation of cultural events.	\$2,500
Polish-Australian Youth Alliance of Canberra	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival, and to purchase costumes and assist with the organisation of cultural events.	\$2,500
Rajdhani Marathi Mandal (Canberra) Inc	Celebration of traditional Indian festivals.	\$1,000
Republic of South Sudan Australian Community Association Inc	Perform cultural dances at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and for the organisation of community events.	\$2,500
Royal Society for the Blind	Assist with the production of general services brochures for the visually impaired in languages other than English.	\$2,500
Samoa Community in Canberra & Queanbeyan	Purchase costumes and equipment for participation in the Pacific Islands Showcase at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and support for the community radio program.	\$2,500
Sene Canberra Inc	Conduct research on education, health and employment study on young Pacific Islander adults in the ACT region.	\$2,500
Sierra Leone Community In Canberra ACT and Regions	Purchase costumes and repair drums for the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and celebration of other events.	\$1,500
Sierra Leonean Community In Canberra ACT and Regions	Organisation of the African Showcase at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$7,000
Sol de España Flamenco Spanish Dance Group	Participation in the National Multicultural Festival, to purchase costumes and towards the Hispanidad Spanish Festival.	\$2,500
Spielwelt German Parents Association Inc	Organise the annual German Lantern Parade in Canberra.	\$500
Spondon Musical Group Canberra Inc	Purchase costumes and jewellery for performances at the National Multicultural Festival and for the celebration of cultural events.	\$2,500
Sri Lanka Dhamma Vihara Association of Canberra Inc	Sri Lankan New Year celebrations and to commemorate 'Vesak'.	\$2,500
St Athanasius Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and other cultural activities.	\$1,500
St Gregorios Indian Orthodox Church Canberra	Participation in community festivals and fetes.	\$1,000

St John the Baptist Russian Orthodox Church School	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to showcase Russian cultural heritage.	\$2,500
Standard Chinese School of Australia (SCSA) Inc	Purchase costumes and equipment for performances at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$1,000
Support Asian Women's Friendship Association Inc	Assist with the production of a Multicultural Community Bulletin.	\$500
Taiwanese Association of Canberra, Australia	Celebrate and organise various cultural events.	\$1,700
Telugu Association of Canberra	Purchase costumes and participate in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and celebrate other cultural events.	\$2,000
Telugu Badi	Purchase costumes and accessories for children's performance at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$500
Thai Media and Cultural of Canberra Association Inc	Purchase costumes for the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and assistance for the Association's radio program.	\$1,000
The Association of the Aged Free Vietnamese in the ACT & Surrounding Districts Inc	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and to assist with the publication of the quarterly magazine.	\$1,500
The Canberra Multicultural Artists Association Inc	Perform Hollywood-Bollywood Fusion dances at the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$1,500
The Multicultural Group	Purchase materials for participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$500
The Royal Commonwealth Society of the ACT	Celebrate Commonwealth Day in 2016 and for a public speaking competition.	\$1,500
The Tongan Association of Canberra & Queanbeyan Inc	Purchase traditional costumes for participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival.	\$1,000
Treffpunkt German Language Program	Purchase of resources and costs for the radio program.	\$1,000
United Nations Association of Australia (ACT)	Assistance towards organising celebrations for the 70th Anniversary of the United Nations.	\$3,000
United Nesian Movement	Participation in the 2016 National Multicultural Festival and purchase costumes and equipment for performances.	\$2,000
Welcome To Australia	Organise the Kite Festival by the lake and the Walk Together event in Canberra.	\$7,000

Canberra Multicultural Community Forum (CMCF) Incorporated Grant

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Canberra Multicultural Community Forum	Contribute towards resources to conduct advocacy work on behalf of Canberra's multicultural community.	\$15,405

Multicultural Youth Service (MYS) Grant

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Multicultural Youth Service	Provide community development activities for young people from multicultural communities.	\$33,374

Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services	Assist migrants, refugees and asylum seekers with a range of settlement issues.	\$54,160

Community Language Schools Association

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Community Language Schools Association	Provide advocacy and support to community language schools in the ACT and promote teaching of languages	\$72,365.37

Community Language Schools Grants Program

The ACT Government's Community Language Schools Grants Program enhances the ACT community through the continuing support of community language schools, preschools and playgroups in the Canberra region.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Abeltje, Dutch School Canberra	To promote Dutch.	\$2,830
ACT German Language School Inc	To promote German.	\$5,130
ACT Tongan Language and Cultural School	To promote Tongan.	\$2,290
Alfalah	To promote Arabic.	\$3,290
ANZ Maori Cultural School of Dreams Inc	To promote Maori.	\$3,250
At-Taqwa Language School	To promote Arabic.	\$4,820

Australian Indonesian Language Schools Association (AILSA)	To promote Indonesian.	\$2,740
Australian School of Contemporary Chinese	To promote Chinese.	\$12,690
Bangla Language and Cultural School	To promote Bangla.	\$2,650
Canberra Cambodian School	To promote Khmer.	\$1,810
Canberra Community Chinese School	To promote Chinese.	\$3,160
Canberra Finnish School	To promote Finnish.	\$1,810
Canberra Hebrew School	To promote Hebrew.	\$3,290
Canberra Hindi School	To promote Hindi.	\$3,070
Canberra Islamic School	To promote Arabic.	\$11,340
Canberra Japanese Supplementary School	To promote Japanese.	\$4,860
Canberra Korean School of Education	To promote Korean.	\$4,730
Canberra Tamil School	To promote Tamil.	\$7,200
Canberra Vietnamese School	To promote Vietnamese.	\$9,450
Chennai Tamil School	To promote Tamil.	\$3,560
CIC Community Language School	To promote Arabic.	\$3,180
Croatian Ethnic School ACT Inc	To promote Croatian.	\$3,380
Dari Language School	To promote Dari.	\$1,900
FCCCI Chinese School	To promote Chinese.	\$12,420
Filipino Language School of Canberra (FLSC)	To promote Filipino.	\$3,560
Hamro Pathshala	To promote Nepali.	\$2,290
Italian Language School	To promote Italian.	\$2,470
Kaw Lah	To promote Karen.	\$3,250
Macedonian School 'St Kliment of Ohrid'	To promote Macedonian.	\$2,380
Malayalam Vidhya Vedhi	To promote Malayalam.	\$3,560
Ositos Cool	To promote Spanish.	\$3,360

Persian Language School	To promote Persian.	\$2,650
Polish Language School in Phillip	To promote Polish.	\$3,560
Samoan Language School	To promote Samoan.	\$1,900
Scandinavian School in Canberra, Swedish Section	To promote Swedish.	\$3,010
Sri Lanka Dhamma Vihara Sinhala Language School	To promote Sinhala.	\$1,900
Sri Lanka Sinhala Language School in Canberra	To promote Sinhala.	\$8,100
St John the Baptist Russian Orthodox Church School	To promote Russian.	\$3,380
St Nicholas Greek Language School	To promote Greek.	\$5,580
Telugu Badi	To promote Telugu.	\$2,890
Canberra Bilingual Auslan-English Playgroup	To promote Auslan.	\$500
German Australian Playschool	To promote German.	\$500
Mandarin for Fun (Playgroup)	To promote Chinese.	\$500
Spielwelt German Playgroups	To promote German.	\$500

Participation Community Support and Infrastructure Grants Program

The purpose of the grant is to build capacity within community organisations to deliver their programs effectively and efficiently for the benefit of the ACT community. The 2015-16 program had three categories for funding:

- > Category one—Community Support and Capacity
- > Category two—Non-fixed Infrastructure and Equipment
- > Category three—Capital Works and Fixed Infrastructure.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Abbeyfield Curtin Incorporated	Purchase an iPad to facilitate communication.	\$900
ACT Deafness Resource Centre Inc	Computer and security software upgrade.	\$4,900
Asthma Foundation ACT	Asthma education and support space.	\$4,839

Birralee Scout Group	Sealing Birralee Scout Hall car park.	\$2,000
Burrunjū Aboriginal Corporation	Improve resources for the Burrunjū art gallery and upgrade MYOB software.	\$2,580
Canberra Community Law	Working smarter with portable devices – one iPad Pro and one smart keyboard.	\$1,520
Canberra Hindu Mandir Inc	Purchase shipping container for the storage of statues of deities for the Temple.	\$3,000
Canberra Interfaith Forum	Setting up seating facilities at the Environment Meditation and Healing Garden.	\$5,168
Canberra Muslim Community Inc	Solar panels for the Gungahlin Mosque.	\$2,500
Canberra Rape Crisis Centre	Security camera replacement project.	\$2,739
CanTeen ACT and Southern NSW Division	CanTeen office relocation with hot desk area for young people and staff.	\$3,500
Darryls Den Association Incorporated	Woodworking machinery replacement.	\$3,000
Epilepsy Association ACT	Air-conditioning and heating system installation.	\$6,048
Federation of Indian Associations in ACT Inc	Purchase a portable wireless PA system.	\$1,600
Girl Guides Association ACT & SE NSW Region	Improve insulation at the Girl Guide Hall.	\$2,280
Grow	Furnishings and equipment for the ACT Grow House.	\$5,000
Health Care Consumers' Association of the ACT	Hearing loop and sound system.	\$5,000
Hindu Temple and Cultural Centre of the ACT Inc	Installation of 10KW solar system.	\$2,500
Islamic Society of Belconnen	Upgrade ladies' section entrance.	\$2,500
Knitted Knockers Australia (Canberra Branch) A Burwood Neighbourhood House Community Project	Purchase of production materials.	\$2,900
Les Petites Etoiles	Door and ramp to outdoor play area for child safety and to encourage active play.	\$2,000
Mandir Society of Australia Inc	Upgrade community kitchen and hall.	\$2,500
Murrungundie District Girl Guides	Electrical upgrade for the guide hall.	\$2,400
Scouts ACT C/O Les Explorateurs Scout Group	Storage for trailer.	\$2,000

Sexual Health and Family Planning ACT Inc	Enhancing clinical services for people with disability and other health issues.	\$3,000
South Canberra Girl Guides	Facility upgrade.	\$2,000
South Sudanese Australian Community Association ACT Inc	Purchase a minibus for the South Sudanese community.	\$10,000
St John Ambulance Australia (ACT) Inc	Community education training resources.	\$5,275
Stromlo Forest Scouts	Outdoors equipment program.	\$2,000
The African Gospel Band Inc	Purchase equipment for the Gospel music training class.	\$3,176
Toora Women Inc	One Toora Cloud Platform.	\$3,000
Wanniassa District Girl Guides	Wanniassa district girl guide hall upgrade.	\$2,000
Woden Seniors Inc	Provision of stackable chairs.	\$3,175

Participation (Digital Communities) Grants Program

The grant aims to support ACT community organisations to establish and/or enhance their capacity to effectively engage their communities and clients to participate fully in the life of Canberra through the use of digital technology.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
A Gender Agenda Inc	IT support.	\$1,000
ACT Disability, Aged and Carer Advocacy Service (ADACAS)	Upgrade the ADACAS website.	\$1,000
ACT Screen Industry Association	Website upgrade – Building a Digital Screen Hub for the ACT.	\$1,000
Asthma Foundation ACT	Upgrade current IT system to increase capacity.	\$1,000
Australian Muslim Voice Inc	Phone call back system for Radio Ramadan.	\$2,300
Bangla Language and Cultural School	Upgrade school ICT hardware.	\$968
Belconnen Arts Centre	Audio description for the gallery program.	\$4,991
Canberra Bengali Association Canberra Inc	Digital transformation project.	\$1,000
Canberra Chinese School (Chinese Language and Culture Association Inc)	Purchase a laptop for the teaching and learning of Chinese.	\$698

Canberra Muslim Community Inc	Procure digital equipment for community.	\$2,508
Canberra Police Community Youth Club Inc	Purchase of computer hardware.	\$3,396
Canberra Potters' Society	Enhance website functionality.	\$1,000
COTA ACT	Connected Care.	\$1,000
E.A.A.S. Chinese School Inc	Replace laptop computer.	\$698
Federation of Indian Associations in ACT Inc	Reaching the community through web and newsletter.	\$1,000
Havelock Housing Association Inc	Havelock House tenant wireless network project.	\$5,000
Heart Foundation ACT	Renew and upgrade Canwalk website.	\$1,000
Hindu Temple and Cultural Centre of the ACT Inc	Computer literacy for seniors and digitise records.	\$2,598
Initiatives for Women in Need (IWIn)	Computer for IWIn events, publications and enhancing IWIn's online presence.	\$980
Integrated Cultures ACT Inc	To enhance the online presence of the association.	\$547
Islamic Society of Belconnen	Digital knowledge for community.	\$5,000
Landcare ACT Ltd	Working smarter for our Landcare community.	\$1,000
Navya Andhra Telugu Association	A laptop for the community's digital education project.	\$1,147
Northside Community Service	iSeniors Project.	\$1,000
PhotoAccess Incorporated	Snapshot digital literacy project.	\$3,346
Royal Society for the Blind (RSB) Canberra	Accessible computer solutions for people who are blind or vision impaired.	\$4,901
South Sudanese Australian Community Association ACT Inc	A projector and screen for the community.	\$1,646
Tamil Senior Citizens Association Canberra	Seniors digital kiosk.	\$2,469
Technical Aid to the Disabled ACT Inc	Creating relevant and accessible website content, increasing community participation and economic viability.	\$5,000
Telopea Amateur Swimming Club	MYOB and Windows software.	\$1,224

TeluguBadi	Procure ICT hardware for community school.	\$1,750
The Australian and New Zealand Maori Cultural School of Dreams Inc	Purchase a laptop for the radio program.	\$1,000
Tuggeranong Community Arts Association	Digital equipment for 'Telling Our Stories'.	\$2,500
Tuggeranong Link of Community Houses and Centres	Upgrade ICT hardware, equipment and financial software package.	\$2,333
Vietnam Veterans and Veterans Federation ACT Inc	Website redevelopment.	\$2,000

ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Leadership Grants

The Leadership Grants encourage and support ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to develop the knowledge and skills to be better equipped to lead and engage on behalf of their communities and organisations.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Community Radio 2XX FM	A two-day workshop to teach Indigenous people media industry skills, how to be efficient radio presenters and how to engage with Indigenous audiences. 2XX also consulted with Indigenous broadcasters to develop ways to be more inclusive of Indigenous interests.	\$6,560
Individual	'Training' – undertake Harvard business school senior executive leadership program.	\$3,000
Individual	'Training' – creating Aboriginal in the virtual world.	\$3,000
Individual	'Diploma in Government' – purchase a computer and software.	\$2,500
Tuggeranong Community Arts Association	An opportunity for an Aboriginal emerging cultural leader to take up a mentorship in the documentary film project that tells the life story of Ngunnawal Elder Aunty Agnes Shea.	\$10,000
whiSPers Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander Softball Corporation	The design of the LIVE-LIFE-LAUGH program is based on leadership opportunities for the corporation to continue growth of members who provide coaching, officiating and education to teams in competition as leaders within the club and the community.	\$10,000

ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Grant

The Cultural Grants encourage and support ACT-based community organisations to apply for financial support, in the form of a once-only grant to assist in a program or event that will promote wider understanding of the cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the ACT community.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Torres Strait Islander Corporation	Publication of the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Leadership Book. The project will celebrate and promote a wider understanding of the cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the ACT community. The book will be a valuable resource to encourage the local community to participate in the ACT community.	\$5,000
Canberra Institute of Technology Student Association	Side by Side - 'Growing Stronger Together' - Indigenous and non-Indigenous cultures in the ACT coming together in the spirit of reconciliation acknowledging the Inaugural Apology. This project will provide participants with skills to make informed decisions and implement strategies that will assist in developing and understanding culture and putting it into practice.	\$5,000
Capital Woodland and Wetlands Conservation Association Inc	The Jerrabomberra Wetlands Bush Tucker Garden will be located in the car park at the Jerrabomberra Wetlands offices. It will provide a welcoming display of local plants in a garden carefully designed around an important wetland animal with significance to the Indigenous community. Associated interpretation signs will also be included. This garden is within the context of developing a strong community engagement program for the wetlands with Indigenous interpretation an important part of this. The garden will be designed and constructed in collaboration with Thunderstone and Culture on the Move, who are already committed to working in partnership with the Trust to increase Indigenous awareness at Jerrabomberra Wetlands which was once a very important floodplain area.	\$4,400
Relationships Australia Canberra and Region Inc	Relationships Australia Dhunlung Yarra Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Service will work with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders and respected members of the community, and members of the Galambany Circle Sentencing Court to further develop the principles of restorative practice and how it can be used to address grief and loss within the community.	\$4,920
Tuggeranong Community Arts Association	The main aim of this project is to produce a documentary film which will capture the life and times of the region's most senior living Ngunnawal Elder, Aunty Agnes Shea. The film will allow current community members to understand the local Aboriginal community and their significant ties to this region. It will highlight the important role that these people have played and will continue to play in our cultural landscape.	\$5,000

Individual	The Ngambri Cultural Camp project will involve building and maintaining relationships. It will initiate further networking in the community, enhance unity and provide opportunities to rekindle old relationships and develop new ones.	\$2,500
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Individual	To develop an ABC book for children called 'W is for Wiradjuri'. The book uses Wiradjuri words and English as well as photos, and some illustrations by a Wiradjuri artist. It would be wonderful if every child in school knew at least one Aboriginal word.	\$3,000
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ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarship Grant

The Scholarship Grants encourage and support ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander residents to undertake study and training which will enhance and support their employment prospects in the ACT and further develop their skills and qualifications.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
21 individuals	Study and training to develop skills and qualifications to increase employment prospects.	\$69,447

ACT Participation (seniors) Grants Program

The ACT Participation (seniors) Grants Program provides funding towards activities and events which promote positive ageing in the ACT, supporting older Canberrans to maintain their wellbeing and to remain active and connected in their community.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Chinese Australian Association Inc.	The 'Connect Our Seniors and Living Well' project is a new initiative designed to engage with the Chinese older community. It targets recent migrants aged 60+ to participate in numerous group activities to build their confidence, break down barriers, encourage greater participation in community events and expand their interests of promoting Canberra as a safe and age-friendly city in personal way.	\$3,650
ACT Playgroups Association Inc	The Intergenerational Playgroup Program will be inclusive of seniors and families with young children. It will provide the opportunity for all participants to interact through play and informal interaction. The playgroups will be offered in nursing homes and in retirement villages.	\$10,000
Artsound Inc	Produce and broadcast radio programs focusing on issues such as health, exercise, relaxation and wellbeing for seniors as part of the ArtSound Silver Memories internet radio network. The project will support the independence	\$10,000

and social inclusion of participants and include training of seniors to join the production team.

Canberra Potters' Society Inc	The Pottery For All seniors' only class will teach students to make functional and decorative ceramic ware with an experienced teacher. Over two terms (16 weeks) students will learn hand building, throwing, mould making, surface decoration, glazing and firing.	\$3,000
Council on the Ageing (COTA)ACT	The 'Mature-Aged Jobseeker Support Program' will provide support to mature-aged jobseekers residing in Canberra to get back into the workforce, followed by a mentoring program and job club. The project will be based on the outcomes of the Mature Age Employment Roundtable and on COTA ACT's research on older jobseekers.	\$7,100
Health Care Consumers Assoc of the ACT Inc	'Social media: finding your voice' – Consumers are increasingly using social media to research and make decisions about their health care. This project looks to support older people to learn how to use social media to connect to others and learn more about being active in their own health.	\$4,500
Isabella Gardens Residents Association auspice by Lend Lease RI (Isabella Gardens) Pty Ltd	Establish a community garden for residents of Isabella Gardens Retirement Village and children from Isabella Plains Early Learning and Childcare Centre and Isabella Plains Neighbourhood House and Play Centre. The project will assist seniors at Isabella Gardens to participate in the broader community and encourage the community to engage with seniors.	\$4,553
Royal Society for the Blind in association with Canberra Blind Society (RSB CBS)	Provide clients aged 55 and over who are blind or vision impaired with training in the use of apps, online services and information, and social media so they can independently participate in a range of online activities for communication and daily living.	\$5,812
The Brite Notes	Brite Notes performances at aged-care facilities throughout the Canberra district bring joy into the lives of many residents who are otherwise isolated and have very little to stimulate them to exercise their faculties. They demonstrate as seniors themselves that they can be bright and active and have fun while sharing an enjoyable experience with others. This lifts individual's spirits and the collective spirit of the community. Performances often reignite very happy memories and associations from the residents' past.	\$4,950
Tuggeranong 55 Plus Club Inc	The 'Introduction to Art for Seniors' course aims to inspire and prepare seniors to create their own works independent of the class and will provide a catalyst to form an ongoing art group. The participants will be introduced to all art mediums, colour and textures, music and the use of negative spaces.	\$1,780
Weston Creek Citizens' Council Inc (known as	'Horticulture Workshops for Seniors' – A program of eight one-hour horticulture workshops for residents of Uniting	\$1,000

Weston Creek Community Council) auspiced by Fetherston Gardens Friends	Care Mirinjani Aged Care in Weston Creek. The residents will participate in activities involving plant establishment and care though guided tuition. The program will be focused around the capabilities of the residents and adjusted to their needs as necessary.	
Woden Seniors Inc	The 'Bridge tuition for seniors' project aims to develop a long-term and sustainable program of tuition in the card game of bridge. A consultant develops training courses and support materials that can be implemented by dedicated volunteer instructors to small groups of seniors wishing to learn the game.	\$1,500

The 2015–16 ACT Women Grants Program

The 2015–16 Women's Safety Grants program was a joint initiative between the Justice and Community Safety Directorate and Community Services Directorate. The grants program provided funding to groups and organisations to develop activities that advance the objectives of the ACT Prevention of Violence against Women and Children Strategy 2011–2017 so that women and children are safe, diverse groups of women are supported, and early intervention and prevention programs for children and young people are a priority.

In April 2015 the Attorney-General announced the allocation of \$100,000 under the confiscated assets program to be combined with the Women's Grants Program to allow a more sizeable and flexible program targeted to awareness and prevention of domestic violence. A total of \$310,000 (GST exclusive) in funding was available in the 2015-16 grants round for projects in three categories.

Early Intervention projects: for children and young people at greater risk of becoming involved in domestic violence as adults, including children who have been exposed to domestic violence.

Engagement projects: that engaged with business, real estate/financial advisors and legal services to support women who have experienced domestic violence. This was targeted at women in the post crisis phase who may be at risk of homelessness or facing ongoing abuse through property settlement, child custody or other legal/financial issues.

Diverse experiences of violence projects: that targeted diverse experiences of violence such as newly- arrived migrant women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, women with disability and women from the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex community.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
AIDS Action Council of the ACT	The Mentors in Violence Prevention Program for the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Intersex and Queer (LGBTIQ) Community focuses on the prevention of intimate partner and sexual violence in LGBTIQ communities. It utilises a bystander approach to prevention where program participants are empowered bystanders who can confront, interrupt or prevent violence. The program seeks to enlist all people in the fight against violence by equipping them with the skills to be effective bystanders. Workshops empower participants to identify themselves as bystanders with the ability to confront, interrupt and prevent gender-based violence. It aims to raise awareness of participants about violence within the LGBTIQ community; challenge thinking	\$31,260

by countering mainstream messages about gender, sex and violence; open dialogue by creating a safe environment for participants to share their opinions and experiences about these issues; and inspire leadership by empowering participants with options to confront violent situations.

Beryl Women Inc	<p>The domestic/family violence booklet and education package provides crisis support to women and children escaping domestic/family violence within a trauma informed framework, through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > developing a professional website that reflects best practice; informing women and the community, through our forty years of experience in the area of domestic violence > establishing a booklet for women entering the service that can also be placed on the website as a community resource. This booklet will cover the basics of what women in crisis will need to know including essential immediate safety and security information, normal responses and feelings, definitions of domestic violence with lists and contacts of useful organisations as a starting point > translating the booklets into several languages. The choice of languages will be based on the statistical information of women accessing the service. These will also be available electronically via the website. 	\$22,500
Canberra Police Community Youth Club	'Domestic Family Violence Intervention' – the project will deliver four 10-week domestic family violence early intervention programs targeted at young people that have been exposed to domestic family violence directly or indirectly. The program incorporates physical activities and therapeutic sessions based on the evidenced-based Duluth model for domestic violence intervention.	\$35,842
Integrated Cultures ACT Inc	The Positive Relationships project will encourage young people to explore their values and what they look for in a relationship, to explore how to communicate respectfully, and will offer young people some tools to help resolve conflict. It will get young people thinking about the gender stereotypes that exist in society, and challenge them to start thinking critically about them.	\$4,000
Legal Aid ACT	Develop Staying Safe, Staying Here: A guide to the evidence required to meet the Family Violence Exemption in the Migration Regulations 1994 (Cth). Newly arrived migrant women on spousal or partner visas are particularly vulnerable where they are subjected to domestic violence by their partners.	\$9,250
Sexual Health and Family Planning ACT Inc (SHFPACT)	Trial of an Apple Store App abuse disclosure tool designed for the learning and communication needs of people with moderate-severe intellectual disability and autism spectrum disorder based on the SoSAFE! Program framework.	\$14,250

This is Not a 'Wife Beater'	Produce two videos – one video will be about 8–10 minutes in length, and the other will be a shortened version of the first video about 2–3 minutes in length – featuring women, children and men from a diverse range of backgrounds and sectors of the Canberra community. These videos will explain why it matters how we speak about intimate partner and family violence. The participants, including children and young people, will explain what it means to be a 'respector'—a person who, through their promotion of a language of respect in relationships, and their calling out of disrespectful language and behaviour, contributes to a culture in which respectful relationships are promoted and intimate partner and family violence is no longer minimised and condoned.	\$9,884
Winnunga Nimmitjiah Aboriginal Health Clinic/Health Service (ACT) Inc	This project will address the significant need within the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community by providing support, advocacy, referral, counselling, information and education to people affected by domestic violence, or at risk, within a culturally appropriate comprehensive primary health care setting.	\$80,710
Women With Disabilities ACT	'To provide an online training resource for workers in the disability sector to understand the nature and effect of violence on women with disabilities, how to identify if women may be victims of violence, as well as how to assist them, in order to improve the safety of women with disabilities particularly in group accommodation settings, but also in the wider community.	\$15,000
Women's Centre for Health Matters	This project is aimed at engaging with private business groups through industry workshops to identify opportunities for them to contribute to reducing barriers for women who have experienced domestic violence.	\$27,227
Women's Centre for Health Matters	To develop resources, both online and hard copy, for: members of the LGBTIQ community in the ACT to raise their awareness about domestic violence, what it looks like and what they can do/where they can seek support services (both domestic violence/crisis services and mainstream services) to increase their inclusivity and accessibility for LGBTIQ clients accessing their services. The project will also develop a central online presence for accessing these resources.	\$22,114
Women's Legal Centre ACT	To pilot a Health Justice Partnership between the Women's Legal Centre, Interchange General Practice and Sexual Health and Family Planning which would support a multi-disciplinary approach to supporting women experiencing or at risk of domestic violence.	\$37,962

The 2015–16 Audrey Fagan Women’s Enrichment Grants

The Audrey Fagan Women’s Enrichment Grants provide funding to encourage and enable young ACT women to develop or enhance their skills and knowledge in their area of passion. In 2015–16, seven young Canberra women were awarded grants to complete projects in their chosen areas of internationally recognised study, veterinary science, health education, sports and the arts.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
16 year old student from Campbell High School	Enrolment in the International Baccalaureate Program at Narrabundah College.	\$2,000
16 year old student from Lake Tuggeranong College	Enrolment in a professional art course in NSW and to purchase art materials.	\$2,000
15 year old student from Lanyon High School	Funding to attend Go-Kan-Ryu Karate World Cup in Liverpool, the National Titles in Melbourne and local competitions.	\$2,000
15 year old student from Namadgi School	Enrolment in a Future Vet Kids Camp, as a stepping stone to achieve her ambition of becoming a veterinarian.	\$2,000
14 year old student from Amaroo High School	Develop awareness of eating disorders and mental health issues by inviting an anorexia nervosa survivor to present at her school. Additional funds will enable the student to develop her own recovery skills through creative outlets such as therapeutic art and dance classes.	\$1,000
17 year old student from Erindale College	Assistance to participate in volleyball and soccer competitions, in particular to represent her school in volleyball in New Zealand this year.	\$500
15 year old student from Campbell High School	Enrolment in Ev&Bow dance course in Sydney to develop her skills in dance.	\$500

Women’s Return to Work Grants

The ACT Women’s Return to Work Grants Program is an ACT Government initiative providing women returning to the paid workforce with financial assistance, information and resources to assist them to reach this goal. Individual grants of up to \$1,000 are available to women who have been absent from the workforce for more than 12 months due to caring responsibilities, and who meet the program criteria.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Individuals (names not provided due to privacy)	Up to \$1,000 to support women to return to the workforce.	\$113,610

The Domestic Violence Support Group Program

The Domestic Violence Support Group Program enhances the wellbeing of women who have experienced domestic violence by supporting their capacity to rebuild self-efficacy and safe social worlds. In recognition of the diverse access needs of Canberra women affected by domestic violence

and the different stages they are at in their recovery, three groups are offered to provide a range of supports during ACT school terms.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Domestic Violence Crisis Centre Inc	Delivery of the Domestic Violence Support group program for 2015–16.	\$28,618

2015-16 Youth InterACT Grants

Youth InterACT Grants provide funding for young people to organise projects, events, activities and/or programs that benefit other young people in the community.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Alfred Deakin High School	Student 'Life Skills' seminar.	\$1,500
Canberra High School	The Gardening Project aims to gather a small group of students from across the vertical year groups to be part of a community gardening project. Two new garden beds have been installed in the school to beautify spaces for everyone's benefit.	\$1,500
Canberra Institute of Technology	The Drumbeat Program for year 12 students combines the therapeutic potential of musical expression with a range of social learning outcomes including emotional control, improved relationships and increased self-esteem. The program utilises drumming to engage participants and explore commonalities between making music together as a group and developing healthy relationships. The program was developed to combine the benefits of the group drumming process with cognitive behavioural therapy so that young people can transfer some of the lessons from the drum circle to their everyday lives.	\$1,496
Girls Rock! Canberra	Girls Rock! Canberra (GR!C) aims to empower young girls (ages 10–17) through a week-long series of workshops that encourage creativity, self-expression and teamwork through music. The inaugural session of GR!C was run at Ainslie Arts Centre 11–16 January 2016.	\$1,152
Hawker College	To celebrate diversity at Hawker College. In 2015 the student population of Hawker College was a veritable United Nations, with 29 countries other than Australia being represented and Chinese students equalling 7.5 per cent of the total number of students.	\$1,100
Individual	Set up a young people's bereavement network in Canberra, for youth aged 16–25. This service would allow young people who have experienced the isolation of profound loss to find support, guidance and friendship through networking with others in a similar situation. If a family member has died from cancer, young people can gain similar support from Canteen, but individuals whose loved ones died through other means, or are over 24, have limited organised support in the ACT.	\$1,500

Individual - Headspace Canberra	The 'Mind the Gap' project will coordinate and showcase local Canberra talent including dancers, actors, writers, musicians and film makers.	\$1,500
Melrose High School	Student 'Life Skills' seminar.	\$1,500
Mount Stromlo High School	Student 'Life Skills' seminar.	\$1,500
Telopea Park High School	Student 'Life Skills' seminar.	\$1,500
UN Youth ACT	'Voice National Finals' is a challenging public competition for students from around the country in Years 7 to 10. Delegates are asked to propose creative solutions to some of the world's most pressing issues, from refugee crises to climate change to global economic inequality. In 2016, the conference will also incorporate educational workshops and speaker sessions.	\$1,500
Woden Community Service	West Woden Field Beats is a chance for young people to showcase their talents, in music and dance, to the wider community. Past events have been successful at breaking down barriers between Westfield Security, young people and ACT Police. It also provides the opportunity for various community service providers to provide information in an informal manner to young people and families.	\$1,500

2015–16 Youth InterACT Scholarships

The Youth InterACT Scholarships provide funding of up to \$500 for individuals aged 12 to 25 who wish to attend an activity, event, conference or course for personal or career development.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
James Ansell	Amateur Radio Foundation Licence Course.	\$270
Charlotte Breen	Horse Riding lessons.	\$500
Ashleigh Eason	Great Bunya Gathering (Girl Guides Camp).	\$500
Lauren Freeman	Sporting equipment.	\$500
Josephine McGrath-Weber	2015 SSSA U16 Girls AFL National Championships.	\$500
Amber McLeish	Great Bunya Gathering (Girl Guides Camp).	\$500
Blake Murray-Hensen	World Cup for Indigenous Oztag.	\$500
Hugo Webster	UN Youth Conference.	\$500
Dominic Hawksworth	SSSA Football Championship.	\$500
Josiah Ah Lam	Brumbies Emerging Talent Camp.	\$500
Joel Dignam	Organise 2015.	\$370
Carys Atkinson	Commonwealth Youth Forum, Malta.	\$500

Darcy Laundness	Driving lessons.	\$500
Rachel Lysnkey	2015 Conference of Parties climate negotiations, Paris.	\$500
Teig Sadhana	The Cutting Room Floor: Talk Dirty to Me (Perth Fringeworld Festival act).	\$500
Alexandre Tetreault	World Junior Under 20 Ice Hockey Championships, Serbia.	\$500
Leo Coleman	UN Evatt Debating Competition, Melbourne.	\$500
Amel Saeed	UN Evatt Debating Competition, Melbourne.	\$500
Louise Blessington	2016 Australian Scout Jamboree.	\$500
Zoe Cuthbert	Oceania Mountain Bike Championships 2016, New Zealand.	\$500
Eugenia Stuart	UN Youth Diplomatic Tour of Europe.	\$500
Archie McGrath-Weber	NSW Pony Club State Championships.	\$500
Nipuni Wijewickrema	Nexus Australia Youth Summit.	\$500
Rasha Farrukh	International Alliance of Research Universities Global Summer Program.	\$500
Stephanie Freeman	Blue Mountains Taekwondo Championships.	\$500
Lachlan Hogg	2016 UN Youth Pacific Project.	\$500
Jayden McNeil	European Rubik's Cube Championships 2016.	\$500
ACT State Debating Team	2016 National Schools Debating Championships (Group Application).	\$1,275

2015-16 Youth InterACT - Youth Tube Competition

The YouTube Competition provides an alternate media method to engage young people in the Canberra community and raise awareness of issues that affect them. Each ACT High School Network will create four short films (90 to 120 seconds in length) based on the following priority areas from the Youth Advisory Council Work Plan:

- > drug and alcohol
- > gender and diversity
- > youth homelessness
- > mental health.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Belconnen High School Network	Create four short films about issues affecting young people in the Canberra community.	\$5,000
North-Gungahlin High School Network	Create four short films about issues affecting young people in the Canberra community.	\$5,000
Tuggeranong High School Network	Create four short films about issues affecting young people in the Canberra community.	\$5,000
Weston High School Network	Create four short films about issues affecting young people in the Canberra community.	\$5,000

Community Relations — Other Community Grants (Other)

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Youth Coalition of the ACT	Coordination of National Youth Week.	\$38,879

Community Relations — Sponsorships

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Council on the Ageing ACT	Coordination of 2016 ACT Seniors Week.	\$40,000
Council on the Ageing ACT	Delivery of the 2015-16 ACT Seniors Card program.	\$106,249

Statutory Services – Care and Protection and Youth Justice — Sponsorships

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Institute of Child Protection Studies, Australian Catholic University	Sponsorship of Institute of Child Protection Studies.	\$102,750

Social Housing Services —Community Grants

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Connection ACT	Vehicle lease costs.	\$9,800
Hare Krishna	Contribution to food for life program.	\$8,216
Toora Women Inc	Family and individual support.	\$8,400

Social Housing Services —Community Grants

2015-16 Tenant Participation Grants (round 1 and round 2)

This grant program provides funding for activities that promote participation in the ACT community. The primary aim of the program is to encourage and support ACT public housing and community housing tenants and their families to participate in a range of sporting, arts, cultural, education, employment and training activities for physical, social and personal development. The program does not aim to fund IT equipment, hardware or capital works.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
40 individuals	Round 1: Support ACT public housing and community housing tenants and their families.	\$14,114
56 individuals	Round 2: Support ACT public housing and community housing tenants and their families.	\$20,945

Education Directorate

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Children's Week	Children's Week	\$8,000
Government, non-government, and not for profit organisations that provide preschool services in the ACT.	<p>Preschool Matters</p> <p>The Preschool Matters Grants Program provides a maximum of \$500 per annum to 20 ACT children's services to support initiatives that strengthen parental engagement with children's learning and develop collaborative partnerships with families and communities.</p> <p>The following services received grants in the 2015-16 grant round:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Amaroo Preschool > Ainslie Baker Gardens > Allara Street Early Learning Centre > CCCares @Canberra College > Curtin Primary School > Emmaus Christian Preschool > Garran Preschool > Guardian Early Learning Centre - Forde > Guardian Early Learning Centre - Gungahlin > Hackett Preschool Parents Association > Jervis Bay Preschool > Kaleen Preschool > Lyneham Preschool > Macgregor Preschool > Neville Bonner Primary School > Palmerston District Preschool > Turner Preschool > Wanniasa School > Watson Preschool Parents' Association > YMCA Jamison Early Learning Centre <p>A total of 60 preschool services have received grants of \$500 in the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 grants rounds. The 2016-17 grants round is the fourth and final round of the grants program.</p>	<p>\$10,000 is allocated in each grant round.</p> <p>A total of \$40,000 is committed over the life of the program.</p>

ACT Principals Association Incorporated	<p>Principals as Literacy Leaders in Schools (PALLs#2) ACT 2015</p> <p>The Principals as Literacy Leaders (PALLs) program is designed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > develop the capabilities of primary and secondary school principals as 'effective literacy leaders' > examine school and system data for the purpose of evaluating performance and developing plans and strategies for improvement and sustainability of high levels of literacy achievement > lead the design and implementation of literacy improvement in their schools; and > develop capabilities in both literacy and in leadership. 	\$100,000
MusicaViva	<p>Building teacher capacity in the arts.</p> <p>To develop professional learning workshops in dance and music to ACT teachers which are aligned with the <i>Australian Curriculum: Arts</i></p>	\$16,500
Ausdance	<p>Building teacher capacity in the arts.</p> <p>To deliver cross-sectoral professional learning workshops in dance and music to ACT teachers which are aligned with the introduction of <i>Australian Curriculum: Arts</i></p>	\$16,500
Kulture Break	<p>Building teacher capacity in the arts.</p> <p>To deliver cross-sectoral professional learning workshops in dance and music to ACT teachers which are aligned with the introduction of <i>Australian Curriculum: Arts</i></p>	\$16,500
QL2	<p>Building teacher capacity in the arts.</p> <p>Cross-sectoral project to develop and deliver a dance education pilot project with 10 ACT schools.</p>	\$6,600
Australian Children's Television Foundation (ACTF)	<p>Educational support to schools</p> <p>Access to ACTF film and video resources, lesson plans, classroom materials, online resources and professional learning for all sectors in the ACT.</p>	\$6,100
Canberra Preschool Society	<p>Grant-in-Aid</p> <p>The grant is used for general administrative purposes of the society, including the salary of its Executive Officer</p>	\$52,863
SEE-CHANGE	<p>Parliament of Youth on Sustainability</p> <p>Teacher professional learning, resources and engaging activities for students to support the sustainability aspect of the Australian Curriculum.</p>	\$12,100
History Teachers Association	<p>2015 National History Challenge</p> <p>Chief Minister's Young Historian of the Year award</p>	\$500

UN Youth Australia	UN Youth Voice National Finals Sponsorship to support hosting the UN Youth Voice National Finals in Canberra.	\$500
Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia	Promotion of Indonesian Language (MoU) Provides funding for 10 Indonesian Language Teaching Assistants to be placed in ACT public schools to support the Indonesian Program	\$10,000
Kingsford Smith School	Promotion of Chinese Language (MoU) Provides funding for one Chinese Language Teaching Assistants to be placed at the school to support the Chinese Program	\$5,000
Melrose High School	Promotion of Chinese Language (MoU) Provides funding for one Chinese Language Teaching Assistants to be placed at the school to support the Chinese Program	\$5,000
Language Networks:	Language Teachers Network – Eight priority languages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Chinese (\$3,398.50) > French (\$7,150.50) > German (\$2,192.50) > Indonesian (\$3,331.50) > Italian (\$3,666.50) > Japanese (\$6,346.50) > Korean (\$1,520.50) > Spanish (\$2,393.50) Provides funding support to language teachers in the ACT to undertake professional learning and support teachers with the implementation of the Australian Curriculum: Languages	\$30,000 (Total)
Mawson Primary School Association for Learning Mandarin in Australia Inc. (ALMA)	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to scope, organise and deliver an educational language program for parents of children at Mawson primary School and the Chinese Australian Early Childhood Centre.	\$5,000
Mount Rogers Primary School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to provide resources, materials and teaching aids for the newly established Chinese program at the school	\$3,500
Franklin Early Childhood School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase authentic resources for the community play-based Chinese program offered after school.	\$2,500

Association for Learning Mandarin in Australia Inc. (ALMA) The Australian Centre on China in the World (CIW) at the ANU	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to develop a student ambassador program linking the ANU to schools offering a Chinese program.	\$2,500
Canberra High School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase resources to set up a Chinese program for students at the school.	\$3,500
Radford College	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase resources for the introduction of an International Commerce elective course for Year 9 and Year 10 students.	\$3,000
Federation of Chinese Community of Canberra Inc.(FCCCI) Association for Learning Mandarin in Australia Inc. (ALMA) Mandarin For Fun Playgroup (MFF)	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to plan and develop resources for a bilingual Chinese teaching program in After School and Preschool programs.	\$3,000
Gungahlin College	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase resources for a joint college-community library.	\$3,000
Canberra Chinese Language Teachers Society (CCLTS)	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to establish a website and integrate teaching resources for ACT teachers of Chinese within the website.	\$2,500
Australian School of Contemporary Chinese (ASCC) incorporated as SCSA – Standard Chinese School of Australia	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase resources to develop a community program at the Centre.	\$2,500
Torrens Primary School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding to support the purchase of resources and materials for the school's Chinese program.	\$2,000
Canberra Grammar Primary School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase resources to develop pedagogy and develop ongoing school partnerships between Canberra and China.	\$1,500

Kingsford Smith School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase a site licence for the Language Perfect program to support students' language learning at the school.	\$3,000
Dickson College	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to establish programs to engage students in language learning and to assist with transition from high school to college.	\$1,000
Lake Tuggeranong College	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase resources to implement a calligraphy and Chinese art program at the college.	\$3,415
Mawson Primary School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase resources for the annual China Day event.	\$670
Mawson Primary School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support for the Junior School Mandarin Bilingual choir.	\$1,500
Mawson Primary School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support for the purchase of Chinese vegetables and bilingual resources for the newly established Chinese Market Garden at the school.	\$1,500
Merici College	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support for the purchase of resources to promote links and partnerships with native speakers of Chinese.	\$2,500
Harrison School	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase teaching resources for the new Chinese language program at the school.	\$915
Australia China Friendship Society ACT Branch Inc.	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase certificates, shields and prizes for the annual Panda Competition and the school awards presentation.	\$2,500
ACT Playgroups Association	ACT Government Mandarin Culture and Language Grant Provides funding support to purchase resources to support the education activities offered at the playgroup.	\$1,000
Belconnen Arts Centre Incorporated	IGNITE: Connect – a course as part of IGNITE: Alternative Arts Academy This project is designed for mixed abilities and needs and aims to address the gap between diversional and community arts programs and professional arts education.	\$20,000

Belconnen Community Services Inc	Youth Employment Pathways Support for the development of a Youth Employment Pathways Hub in partnership with education, training and other service providers to deliver alternative education.	\$19,746
Companion House	Assisting survivors of torture and trauma Mentoring and inclusions for young people. The project aims to provide mentoring support to young asylum seekers in their efforts to establish pathways to vocational education and training.	\$20,000
Companion House	Pathways for young people Funds will support establishment of pathways to vocational education and training for young asylum seekers/refugees with financial barriers and no support network.	\$19,850
Domestic Violence Crisis Service Incorporated	Strengths-based vocational training for victims of domestic violence. The project will provide training for women who have experienced domestic violence to gain skills to enter the workforce or further education.	\$19,933
Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services of the ACT Inc	English for Employment This project aims to build English language skills that allow migrants and refugees to pursue education and employment opportunities in the broader community.	\$20,000
Sexual Health and Family Planning	SoSAFE! Transition to work for adults living with intellectual disabilities	\$13,088
Support Asian Women's Friendships	Stepping Up – Learning workplace computer Provision of a holistic approach to teaching mature adult learners from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.	\$17,383
Uniting Care – Kippax	Kippax connections – General community Support for socially disadvantaged adults to transition into vocational education and training (VET) pathways by assisting them to overcome both individual and social barriers to participation.	\$20,000
Uniting Care – Kippax	Kippax connections – CALD Support for individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, to transition into vocational education and training (VET) pathways by assisting them to overcome both individual and social barriers to participation.	\$20,000

Environment and Planning Directorate

ACT Environment Grants

The Grants program is an ACT Government initiative that has been funded annually since 1997 to provide financial assistance for community-based environmental projects. The budget for the grants for 2015-2016 financial year was \$185,000.00.

Over the past two years the guidelines have focussed on funding “on-ground” projects that deliver against the ACT Nature Conservation Strategy 2013-23, and other ACT Government environment strategies.

The Grants emphasise the following characteristics:

- > alignment with ACT Government environmental plans and strategies
- > delivery of environmental outcomes through on-ground activities
- > demonstrated sound project planning, including achievable milestones, timelines, and project outcomes
- > realistic and value for money; and
- > demonstrated relevant stakeholder and community support.

Thirteen applications were received in the 2015-16 program round. The following seven projects were successful:

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Herpetological Association	Enabling, informing and empowering citizen science and on-ground conservation by consolidating and expanding Canberra Nature Map (CNM). Building this database requires considerable resources and the grant is an efficient way of achieving this outcome. The project will expand the scope of CNM to include herpetofauna (frogs, turtles, lizards and snakes), birds and butterflies. The grant also includes funding for the development of an android application which will significantly increase its use and accessibility among community, research and government stakeholders.	\$39,200
Ginninderra Catchment Group	This project will restore a degraded grassland landscape in the Ginninderra Catchment and enhance connectivity between threatened native temperate grasslands and box-gum woodlands. The project uses a collaborative approach with the Mulanggang Traditional Aboriginal Landcare Group, Green Army and volunteers to deliver culturally and environmentally appropriate on-ground restoration of the landscape.	\$27,005
Molonglo Catchment Group	Enhance the biodiversity value of Block 2 Section 128 Yarralumla and build Ngunawal engagement in natural resource management. This project restores the understorey of threatened remnant native woodland and a threatened population of the nationally listed button	\$3,945

wrinklewort. It involves working closely with representative traditional owners, Friends of Grassland, Greening Australia and community volunteers.

Molonglo Catchment Group	This project will rehabilitate a degraded riparian corridor in the Lower Molonglo Nature Reserve and builds on work previously undertaken in the surrounding area. It will focus on removing invasive weeds, reintroducing native vegetation, enhancing biodiversity and native habitat, and strengthening connectivity. It also is likely to have positive flow on effects on water quality. The Green Army and volunteers will undertake on-ground planting.	\$34,000
Southern ACT Catchment Group	The focus of the Gudgenby River Catchment Woody Weed Works project is on-ground removal of widespread and dense woody weed infestations. It will help restore the landscape, and strengthen biodiversity and conservation values of a much degraded landscape. The project includes close collaboration with rural lessees and the Namadgi depot of ACT Parks and Conservation Service.	\$48,000
Southern ACT Catchment Group	This project will progress restoration work along the Murrumbidgee River riparian corridor at Castle Hill. It will also enhance connectivity of threatened yellow box-red gum woodland communities and ecological health and biodiversity in the area. This project involves working with ACT Parks and Conservation Service, Parkcare and Landcare groups, Conservation Volunteers Association, Green Army teams and a rural lessee.	\$14,950
Southern ACT Catchment Group	This project will improve biodiversity and water quality in the Cotter riparian zone by restoring a disturbed landscape back into a native open woodland vegetation structure. This will involve removing invasive weeds and reintroducing native flora. The project will enhance biodiversity and ecosystem health and combat erosion. There are also likely to be positive flow on impacts for water quality. The project strengthens collaborations between Southern ACT Catchment Group, Uriarra Village Parkcare group, ICON Water and ACT Parks and Conservation Service.	\$17,900

ACT Rural Grants

The ACT Rural Grants program has been initiated by ACT Natural Resource Management in the Environment and Planning Directorate, through funding provided under the National Landcare Programme. Under the grants program, rural landholders are supported to undertake activities on their farms which:

- > improve groundcover, vegetation, soil health and/or water quality
- > minimise off-site impacts of farming activities
- > protect biodiversity

- > demonstrate coordinated regional or landscape-scale partnerships to address priority issues, including weed and pest animal issues
- > prepare for climate variability and climate change.

Nineteen applications were received under Round 2 of the ACT Rural Grants, in 2015-2016 and 16 projects were funded. In total, \$142,491 was provided to rural landholders to achieve on-ground outcomes, with grant recipients providing \$182,891 in matching funding. These projects had an impact across 3809ha.

In addition the ACT Rural Grants program, in partnership with the ACT Regional Landcare Facilitator Program and Greening Australia, supported nine landholders to receive natural resource management advice, tailored to their farm and their information and management needs, with three of these landholders then implementing this advice through ACT Rural Grants funding.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Rural landholder – Lanyon	Construction of a 1.1km permanent stock proof fence and installation of a watering point to subdivide a 165ha paddock to support more strategic grazing of remnant red gum-yellow box woodland.	\$5,000
Rural landholder – Kambah	Installation of electric fencing and watering points across a 50ha area to create a rotational grazing system to support improved management of native and introduced pasture species; improved ground cover and reduced weed burden.	\$10,000
Four rural landholders – Naas	Four landholders working together across 1977ha to improve pasture composition through grazing management and serrated tussock and African lovegrass weed control; reducing the weed burden on rural lands, Namadgi National Park and Naas and Gudgenby River corridors.	\$40,505
Rural landholder – Majura	Installation of a 2km fence to divide existing large paddocks covering 143ha into smaller paddocks for intensive grazing of pastures to improve pasture composition and reduce weed burden.	\$10,000
Rural landholder – Hall	Improving pasture composition using grazing management and weed control across 178ha to reduce the offsite impacts of farming (in particular spread of weeds into high conservation value areas).	\$11,392
Rural landholder – Tharwa	Installation of fencing to divide existing large paddocks covering 232ha into smaller paddocks for the purpose of intensive grazing of pastures to improve pasture composition and reduce weed burden.	\$10,000
Rural landholder – Paddys River	Fencing to subdivide three large paddocks covering 186ha and the river corridor into smaller paddocks to allow rotational grazing.	\$10,000
Rural landholder – Tharwa	Subdivision of paddocks across 51ha to improve grazing management and pasture composition and to reduce weed burden.	\$10,000

Two rural landholders – Naas and Lanyon	Support the second phase of cropping and pasture establishment on two properties (Lanyon – 72ha and Naas – 16ha) to demonstrate approaches to addressing intensive farming.	\$11,698
Two rural landholders – Hall/Kinleyside	Continued coordinated control of serrated tussock and other weed infestations across two properties covering 214ha to improved pasture composition.	\$9,396
Rural landholder – Tharwa	Construction of a drought lot-feeding facility to allow the landholder to remove stock from land to protect groundcover and prevent erosion during drought – area of impact 525ha.	\$9,000
Nine landholders across the ACT	Nine ACT rural landholders were supported with natural resource management advice under the Kick Start Small Grants Program.	Not provided as a grant.

ACT Heritage Grants

The 2015-16 ACT Heritage Grants program funded 18 projects totalling more than \$214,809. The program is the primary source of funding for individuals and community organisations involved in heritage conservation in the ACT.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Geological Society of Australia Inc	To restore public amenity at the heritage listed Woolshed Creek Fossil Site. The project will involve landscaping, restoring fencing, and improving signage, and will complement the work being undertaken by Roads ACT to construct a pathway for public access.	\$6,000
Presbyterian Church of St Andrew	The heritage listed St Andrew's House and adjacent Presbyterian Church of St Andrew will feature an archival centre of unique historical items to highlight the role church members have played in the development of Canberra for over 80 years as 'Living Stones'.	\$25,563
St Pauls Anglican Church Manuka	A baseline survey to monitor building deterioration prior to the proposed ACT Diocese major construction immediately adjacent to the church building.	\$5,225
Australian Railway Historical Society	Develop a Conservation Management Plan to enable the heritage registered Locomotive 1210 to be conserved for and used by future generations. Locomotive 1210 is of high significance to the history of the ACT as the 'only known locomotive in the world to pull the first train into a national capital that can still be used operationally'.	\$9,390
Village of Hall & District Progress Association	To conserve historian Lyall Gillespie's collection which consists of several thousand items including research papers, books, photos, Aboriginal artefacts, artwork, index cards, etc. The transfer of this collection, which is possibly the largest private collection of Aboriginal objects	\$12,000

in the ACT, represents a significant opportunity to adequately record, assess and manage it.

Conservation Council of the ACT	To capture oral histories of people involved in advocating for and creating the North Gungahlin Nature Reserves to protect and enhance the yellow box-red gum woodlands.	\$9,260
National Trust of Australia (ACT)	The ACT Heritage Urban Polaris was a seven-hour navigating and cycling event where teams of two found their way around a series of control points spread throughout Canberra, with heritage assets as checkpoints.	\$15,000
National Trust of Australia (ACT)	The National Trust Open Day is a highlight of the annual Canberra and Region Heritage Festival. The open days provide access to heritage-listed sites within the ACT, many of which are not open to the public and feature history, art and craft stalls and displays, traditional games for children, historical music and dancing, archaeological digs as well as older crafts such as woodturning and lacemaking.	\$11,650
Australian National University	To create a self-guided heritage trail detailing the significant Aboriginal heritage of the Acton campus. This project will add to the existing Canberra Tracks network of interpretive signage, and provide an opportunity to raise awareness and appreciation of Aboriginal culture on the ANU Acton campus.	\$10,620
Australian National University	To update the Lindsay Pryor Walk, which was originally developed at the ANU in the 1990s. Lindsay Pryor made a significant contribution to the early development of Canberra's garden city and bush capital landscape. The project will make the walk more accessible to the public and include a new smartphone app and brochure.	\$5,700
St John the Baptist Reid	Conservation works to ensure this 1840s church building remains a key part of the heritage of the ACT.	\$12,500
Canberra Alpine Club	To conserve and prevent further deterioration of selected items of historic skiing equipment, displayed and stored in the Mount Franklin shelter. The artefacts provide a tangible link to the history and development of skiing in the ACT high country, given the destruction of the Mt Franklin Chalet in the 2003 bushfires.	\$6,325
All Saints Anglican Church Ainslie	Conservation works guided by the Conservation Management Plan recently submitted to the Heritage Council. Specifically, to repair the stormwater drainage system in the church grounds.	\$20,000
Capital Woodland and Wetlands Conservation Trust	Interpretation of and education about the 1916 Trench Warfare and Bombing School. The use of the Jerrabomberra Wetlands Nature Reserve as a trench and warfare bombing school, constructed in March 1916, is a little-known story in Canberra's history.	\$28,000
Oaks Estate Progress Association	To digitise 16 oral history audio tapes that relate to heritage listed Robertsons' House.	\$2,196

Canberra & District Historical Society	For the repair and restoration of three unpublished volumes, titled 'Around Australia's Capital' recording the remarkable 1,300 mile journey by George Jefferis and John Whelen around the Federal Capital Territory between 1926 and 1931. The volumes include first hand descriptions, unique photographs, diagrams, maps and exquisite illustrations of native flora and fauna.	\$2,000
Anna and John Hyles	Conservation works to the ACT heritage listed Blythburn Cottage at Booroomba Station, Paddy's River. Built in the 1880s, the cottage is important for its connection to the McKeahnie pioneering family, its pastoral history that continues to this day, and for the recognition of reputedly the earliest pioneer cattle station run entirely by women.	\$24,000
National Parks Association of the ACT	The Kowen Forest cultural precinct is registered on the ACT Heritage Register. The Conservation Management Plan will determine policies for conservation, repairs, maintenance and reconstruction. This project complements the heritage trail and signage project the National Parks Association is currently developing with ACT Parks and Conservation Service.	\$9,380

COMMISSIONER FOR SUSTAINABILITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

In-kind support in the form of student and professional placements and internships to undertake course-related and other projects, is more common than the provision of direct funding. However, the latter is sometimes made available, particularly for well-established community events and projects. Other forms of direct support include presentations by the Commissioner and staff to environmental, academic and practitioner groups. Another important facet of support is the preparation and provision of materials such as fact sheets, as well as the promotion of local sustainability endeavours and events through our communication networks, including our website and social media platforms.

Youth advocacy and community engagement

The project sits within the broader community engagement work of the office and focuses particularly on young people within the context of intergenerational equity.

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ANU, Fenner School students	Senior manager presentation to Fenner School of Environment and Society students regarding a potential project with the office. Supervising a group of students to undertake a communications related project for the ACT in October 2015 with the students presenting project outcomes to Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment (CSE) staff.	In-kind staff time
Parliament of Youth for Sustainability	Sponsorship for student prizes	\$1000

Health Directorate

2015-16 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Smoking Cessation Program

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Organisation	One-off funding to provide free nicotine replacement therapy for pregnant women and their cohabitants, where costs would otherwise be associated; develop new information materials for pregnant smokers; train staff; deliver community education and events and purchase new educational resources.	\$70,000
Gugan Gulwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation	One-off funding to develop additional smoking cessation materials for Street Beat, the Arts and Therapy Program, and other programs as well as smoking cessation activities for Little Brutha Little Sista Playgroup, Young Women's Group and Young Men's Group and community education and events.	\$30,000
Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Association of the ACT (ATODA)	One-off funding to undertake a small smoking cessation capacity building project in partnership with a local health mainstream community service provider that has a high proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander family clients.	\$25,000
Capital Health Network	Provide primary health care services for disadvantaged people attending the Early Morning Centre run by UnitingCare in Canberra city.	\$28,000
The Cancer Support Group – Eden Monaro's Own	Upgrade business equipment.	\$22,000
Community Options Incorporated	To extend the Community Options Palliative Care Project for in-home support services to 30 June 2016.	\$50,000

Multi-year grants provided continuing from 2013/2014 Community Funding Round

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Australian Breastfeeding Association ACT and Southern NSW branch	Implement elements of the ACT Breastfeeding Strategic Framework 2010-2015.	\$24,350
Companion House Assisting Survivors of Torture and Trauma Inc.	The Nutrition and Exercise for Healthy Future project aims to improve healthy nutrition and physical activity for children and carers.	\$57,481
Southside Community Services Inc	The Southside Flats Health Promotion Program aims to promote healthy lifestyle options to residents in medium and high density housing areas.	\$55,134

Multiyear grants continuing from 2014-2016 Healthy Canberra Grants

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Capital Health Network previously known as ACT Medicare Local	Connect Up For Kids aims to improve pathways for obesity prevention for children while guiding families through health promotion advice, child health assessments, primary health care services and community-based programs.	\$320,349
Gordon Primary School	Every Chance to Dance takes the Kulture Break program to the Lanyon cluster of primary schools.	\$4,500
Heart Foundation ACT	Live Lighter is a population based education campaign encouraging adults to make healthier lifestyle choices to reduce overweight and obesity.	\$316,889
Physical Activity Foundation Ltd	The Ride or Walk to School program aims to improve physical activity levels in children by facilitating an increase in the number of students who use active travel to get to school.	\$201,175
YMCA of Canberra	Take Off! with the Y and Blueearth aims to increase the healthy eating and physical activity habits in families of 2,500 children involved with YMCA's Children's Services.	\$222,000

Multiyear Grants continuing from 2014/2015-2016/2017 Healthy Canberra Grants

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drug Association ACT	Increase ACT community awareness of alcohol issues and reduce alcohol-related harm.	\$53,000
Australian Drug Foundation	Good Sports ACT fosters healthy environments in ACT sporting clubs and organisations by increasing the provision of healthy food and drink choices, reducing exposure to tobacco, and reducing risky drinking.	\$142,240
Canberra Environment Centre	Grow Together aims to increase healthy eating practices for children in Early Learning Centres.	\$29,501
Companion House	The Healthy Futures: Gardens, Healthy Eating and Getting Active project aims to promote and support healthy lifestyles and physical activity in migrant communities.	\$52,806
Jervis Bay School	The Jervis Bay School Gardens Project aims to increase healthy eating in primary school aged children including proficiency and confidence of cooking skills and knowledge of fruit and vegetables.	\$44,696
Nutrition Australia ACT	Establish a Nutrition Support Service to increase access to healthy food and drink choices and support healthy eating environments.	\$135,000

Pharmacy Guild of Australia	The Community Pharmacy Smoking Cessation Program is a pharmacy-based intervention to reduce smoking-related harm in the ACT population.	\$73,250
Wirrpanda Foundation	The Wirra Club aims to increase the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people who make healthy lifestyle choices.	\$150,780

Grants provided under 2015/2016-2017/18 Healthy Canberra Grants

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Bluearth Foundation	Mighty Movers aims to improve movement and physical activity outcomes in children in early learning settings.	\$108,959
Companion House Assisting Survivors of Torture and Trauma	The Healthy Growing and Ageing project aims to reduce and prevent harmful alcohol and tobacco use in young people from refugee backgrounds and to increase healthy physical activity in older people in refugee communities in the ACT.	\$89,250
Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education Limited (FARE)	Pregnant Pause – Swap the pub for your bub is a social marketing campaign to help reduce foetal alcohol spectrum disorders which can occur as a result of alcohol consumption during pregnancy.	\$81,426
Healthy Kids Association Incorporated	Increase the sale of healthy menu items through the provision of a range of resources and workshops for ACT school canteens.	\$78,025
Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Clinic/Health Service (ACT) Incorporated	The Winnunga Healthy Weight Program aims to improve overweight and obesity levels in local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, through the establishment of an obesity management service.	\$200,000
YMCA of Canberra	Nutri-Ys Canteen aims to develop a sustainable model to increase the availability of healthy homemade meals for sale in ACT food services, consistent with the National Healthy School Canteen Guidelines.	\$96,876

Grants provided under 2015/2016 Health Promotion Innovation Fund (Round One)

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Canberra Dance Theatre	Great Sport! Aims to develop the physical, mental and emotional health for ACT seniors.	\$13,280
CCCaes @ Canberra College	Better Health provides students with ongoing support in relation to healthy eating and nutrition.	\$13,632
Multiple Sclerosis Limited	Be Better Balanced facilitates regular exercise groups based on individual assessments for the target group.	\$15,000

Richardson Primary School	Real Fit in Richardson aims to improve nutritional skills and physical activity outcomes in the Richardson school community.	\$5,000
Triathlon ACT Incorporated	The Australian Schools Triathlon Challenge is a training program to improve physical activity outcomes across a broad community base.	\$7,000

Grants provided under 2015/2016 Health Promotion Innovation Fund (Round Two)

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT Tongan Language and Cultural School Inc	A journey to a new body image project aims to improve healthy eating, increase physical activity and reduce smoking and alcohol related harm in the ACT Tongan community.	\$15,000
Asthma Foundation ACT	To reduce smoking-related harm by supporting smokers with asthma to quit smoking and control their asthma.	\$14,750
Canberra Christian School	The Outdoor Classroom is a kitchen garden program to improve nutritional outcomes in children.	\$13,452
Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education Limited	The Game Changer+ – alcohol counter marketing campaign aims to reduce alcohol-related harm in high school students by increasing their ability to interpret and challenge unhealthy product advertising.	\$15,000
Garran Primary School	It's All About Nutrition supports healthy eating in the school community through a series of activities that promote nutritional awareness.	\$4,653
Ozharvest Canberra	The Nutrition Education Sustenance and Training program aims to improve healthy eating outcomes in marginalised people especially those with limited means and facing food insecurity.	\$9,800
YMCA of Canberra	The Indoor, Outdoor and Beyond program aims to improve healthy physical activity outcomes amongst families attending the Holt Early Learning Centre.	\$15,000

Grants provided under 2015/2016 Health Promotion Innovation Fund (Round Three)

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Ainslie School P&C Association	Connecting with EAL/D and Indigenous families through healthy food. Improving healthy eating in the Ainslie school community.	\$10,000
Belconnen Arts Centre Inc	Feel the Music is a dance program for people with hearing impairment and their friends and family.	\$15,000
Goodwin Aged Care Services Ltd	The Goodwin Heath Club is an extension of pathways for residents attending the wellness centre to help manage existing chronic disease.	\$15,000

Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services of the ACT Inc	The Garden to Plate project aims to improve healthy eating in migrant populations in the ACT.	\$15,000
Warehouse Circus Inc	The Warehouse Circus High School SPIN OUT Program aims to improve physical activity and healthy eating outcomes in young people with disabilities.	\$14,954

Justice and Community Safety Directorate

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
Australian National University College of Law	ACT Justice and Community Safety Directorate Prize for Law Reform. Recognises the success of students studying Law Reform at the ANU College of Law.	\$300
University of Canberra	ACT Justice and Community Safety Award for Justice Administration and the Constitution 2015. Recognises the success of students studying Justice Administration and the Constitution at the University of Canberra.	\$300
ACT Emergency Services Agency	<p>Natural Disaster Resilience Programs 2013-15.</p> <p>Community Education Awareness – increase community awareness of bushfires.</p> <p>The ACT Rural Fire Service used the CBR Bushfire Ready program in 2015/2016 to promote awareness of bushfire risk in the ACT to members of the community in Bushfire prone areas.</p>	\$275,000
Canberra Community Law	Partial funding for Street Law, Canberra Community Law's outreach program to homeless people in the ACT.	\$80,000
Canberra Community Law (also on behalf of the Tenant's Union and the Women's Legal Centre)	To assist with establishing a new case management and reporting IT system for use by Canberra Community Law, the Women's Legal Centre and the Tenant's Union.	\$21,493
Aboriginal Legal Service	To improve access and legal advice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the ACT.	\$103,000
ACT Motor Cycle Riders Association	To develop and deliver a defensive road skills course entitled The Mature Age Skills Training for Experienced Riders or 'M.A.S.T.E.R.S.'	\$5,000
Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service	Meeting space grant.	\$55,000
Community Legal Centre (formerly Welfare Rights and Legal Centre)	Accommodation for Community Legal Centre Hub.	\$290,000

Territory and Municipal Services Directorate

Recipient	Project Purpose	Amount
ACT community	ACTION provided special transport services to approximately 3,900 members of the public for the 2016 Anzac Dawn Service and a further 1,400 for the national service.	\$6,200
ACT community	ACTION provided free travel for all Seniors Card holders during Seniors Week 2016.	\$7,500
ACT community	Travel on all ACTION buses was free on Christmas Day 2015. As stated in the Road Transport Regular Route Services Maximum Fares Determination 2015 any person on the 25th day of December in any year receives free bus travel.	\$2,000
ParkCare and Urban Landcare Groups	The ParkCare and Urban Landcare programs engage volunteer groups in parks and reserve management. The budget covers insurance premiums for the groups that are part of the program, tools and equipment and personal protective clothing required for land management activities, training and capacity building and the production of an annual newsletter, assistance with the production of group/reserve brochures and support for community events. In 2015-16 the ParkCare Program supported 50 community-based volunteer groups and approximately 500 volunteers contributing in excess of 18,500 hours.	\$40,000 annually
Public and not-for-profit groups	Library community rooms are made available free of charge to the public to facilitate community learning, literacy, economic development and social inclusion. Not-for-profit users also benefit from a reduced rate.	Approximately \$296,000
Ronald McDonald House	Capital Linen Service supplies and launders all sheets, towels, bath mats, tea towels, face washers, dish cloths and blankets for Ronald McDonald House.	\$13,500 (approx) in-kind support
Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (RSPCA)	In line with the current service funding agreement, the Directorate provides in kind services to the RSPCA including provision of appropriately skilled animal welfare officers as required.	Investigations are in-kind