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Topic: National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing

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Senator Scullion asked:

Victoria has been allocated \$30.4 million under the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing to upgrade Indigenous housing. Are you able to provide a list of where the residences were and what was spent on each residence?

Answer:

The Victorian Government was allocated \$30.4 million over the 10 years of the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing (NPARIH), from 2008/09. The two main components of NPARIH in Victoria are:

- building the capacity of Aboriginal Community Housing Organisations (ACHOs) to transition and operate independently and sustainably within a standardised framework; and
- the Repairs and Maintenance program on ACHO-owned housing.

The Repairs and Maintenance program is designed to bring the stock owned by ACHOs that agree to participate in the reforms up to the minimum public housing standards in Victoria.

NPARIH funding for the Repairs and Maintenance program is provided to the Victorian Government who then apply the funding to assist with the repairs and maintenance. The overall program is expected to cover around 380 properties across Victoria. The Victorian Government advised that as of 31 May 2013, work has been completed on 137 properties with another 85 underway across a range of urban and regional areas. Details of individual properties and their locations are not provided.