

Question on Notice

No. 1140

Asked on Thursday, 14 September 2023

MS A CAMM ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING (HON M SCANLON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the \$4.4m for homelessness services referenced in the Mackay Whitsunday Regional Action Plan as part of the 2023-24 budget—

Will the Minister provide (a) the funding source for the \$4.4m, (b) the amount expended to date and (c) which local service providers, if any, have been provided with funding from the \$4.4m investment, and the value which has been provided?

ANSWER:

The *Mackay Whitsunday Regional Action Plan* in the 2023-24 State Budget included \$4.4 million for homelessness services. Funding for specialist homelessness services includes Queensland Government funding and funding from the Australian Government through the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement (NHHA).

Since the 2023-24 Budget, the Palaszczuk Government has increased allocated funds for the Mackay Whitsunday Regional Action Plan to over \$5.0 million inclusive of additional brokerage and indexation applied where appropriate.

To date, \$1.29 million has been provided to eight local service providers: CASA (HomeStay Early Intervention Service), CASA Outreach Mackay, Community Accommodation & Support Agency Inc., Kalyan Youth Service Inc., Lowanna House, Mackay Hostel, Clermont Community Housing and Other Services Inc. and Emergency and Long Term Accommodation Moranbah Inc.