

## **Question on Notice**

**No. 1264**

**Asked on Thursday, 12 October 2023**

**DR A MACMAHON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING (HON M SCANLON)—

**QUESTION:**

With reference to the Federal Government recently committing to an additional \$1b in the National Housing Infrastructure Facility—

Will the Minister confirm (a) how much of the additional \$1b in the National Housing Infrastructure Facility will be allocated to Queensland and (b) if the state government has applied to access these funds?

**ANSWER:**

The National Housing Infrastructure Facility (NHIF) does not allocate funding to the states and territories. Rather, it primarily offers concessional loans, a combination of a loan and grant, or in exceptional circumstances a grant alone, to applicants – typically Community Housing Providers (CHP) – who must meet specific eligibility criteria in order to access the NHIF.

The Queensland Government proactively works with both Housing Australia and Community Housing Providers to identify social housing projects which could be considered for concessional loans or grant funding under the NHIF. However, the decision to enter into financial arrangements with Housing Australia or any commercial lender ultimately sits with the CHP and is a business decision for the organisation. To date, no CHPs have entered into financial arrangements with Housing Australia for funding under the NHIF.