

Question on Notice

No. 787

Asked on Wednesday, 25 June 2025

MRS M NIGHTINGALE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR YOUTH (HON S O'CONNOR)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline (a) how much money has been budgeted for specialist homelessness services in the 2025-26 financial year and (b) a breakdown of what programs (under their previous and new names) are included?

ANSWER:

The Department of Housing and Public Works has budgeted \$523.2M in 2025-26 towards homelessness responses including those delivered through Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS). The department is currently working through recontracting with funded SHS. Awarded contracts are publicly available through Open Data.

Within the 2025-26 State Budget, the Crisafulli Government provided increased funding of \$208.9M over four years to extend the 20 per cent uplift to SHS and ensure more vulnerable Queenslanders can access these critical services.

This increased investment supports the government's commitment to providing certainty to the homelessness sector by providing a long-term funding commitment.

The department's programs, including program names, have not changed. The Homelessness Program continues to deliver a range of Specialist Homelessness Service supports and initiatives such as the Immediate Housing Response, temporary supported accommodation, mobile support and outreach. The Crisis Accommodation Program complements the Homelessness Program by providing properties for temporary supported accommodation and office space for SHS support services.