

# National Housing Infrastructure Facility Crisis and Transitional Housing (NHIF CT)

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## What is the NHIF?

The National Housing Infrastructure Facility (NHIF) is a \$2 billion, demand-driven program administered by Housing Australia that provides grants and/or loans for:

- critical infrastructure to unlock and accelerate new housing supply (NHIF CI)
- new social and affordable housing (NHIF SAH)
- new crisis and transitional housing (NHIF CT) – upcoming and new.

More information on the NHIF for housing enabling critical infrastructure (NHIF CI) and social and affordable housing projects (NHIF SAH) can be found [here](#).

## What is the NHIF Crisis and Transitional Housing (NHIF CT)?

Under the NHIF, Housing Australia will allocate grants and loans for new crisis and transitional housing projects – defined as short to medium term housing for:

- women or children who are experiencing family violence
- youth who are experiencing, or at particular risk of, homelessness.

## How much funding is available for crisis and transitional housing under the NHIF?

\$1 billion is available for crisis and transitional housing:

- up to \$700 million for grants
- up to \$300 million for concessional loans which form part of a revolving permanent fund.

## What can the NHIF CT grants and loans be used for?

The grants and loans can be used for:



constructing new crisis and transitional housing



acquisition and conversion of existing buildings to crisis and transitional housing



Mixed tenure developments will also be considered subject to certain criteria.

## Who is Eligible to apply?

Eligible applicants include:

- a state or territory
- a local governing body
- a local government-owned, state government-owned or territory government-owned corporation that is a constitutional corporation
- a registered community housing provider that is a registered charity and a constitutional corporation
- an entity that is a special purpose vehicle (SPV)
- an entity that has the primary purpose of improving, directly or indirectly, housing outcomes for First Nations people, and is a registered charity or a special purpose vehicle that is a constitutional corporation.

Eligible applicants can apply online through the Housing Australia Portal for a grant and/or loan to fund the delivery of new crisis or transitional housing.



## When does the program open?

The Program will open in early 2025 and will remain open until all grant and loan opportunities are allocated.

Up until December 2025, eligible applicants can apply to draw funding from a set NHIF CT allocation for each state and territory.

Any unallocated NHIF CT funds for crisis and transitional housing after this date can be allocated to eligible projects regardless of where the project is located.

## How to apply?

1. Review the NHIF CT Guidelines (available early in 2025) to ensure you are an eligible applicant and your proposed project would be considered eligible
2. Discuss your proposed project with the relevant state or territory agency where appropriate
3. Optional – Meet with Housing Australia to have a preliminary discussion about your project
4. Register for an account on the Housing Australia Portal (HAP) to submit your EOI
5. If your EOI is successful, you will be invited by Housing Australia to submit a formal NHIF CT application via the HAP
6. Housing Australia will assess your application and determine if a grant and/or loan can be made available for the project
7. Housing Australia will notify you of the outcome in writing.

## Why do we need to discuss the project with the State or Territory Government before we submit an EOI?

Housing Australia is working closely with State and Territory Governments to ensure crisis and transitional housing projects supported under the NHIF CT deliver positive outcomes for the broader housing and homelessness system in each state and territory.

To provide Housing Australia with assurance that a project will meet an identified housing need or gap in the current homelessness service system, we will be seeking advice from relevant state and territory agencies at the EOI and application stage of the assessment process.

If your project does not have support from the relevant State or Territory agency it is not eligible for a NHIF grant and/or loan for crisis or transitional housing.



## Need more information?

Housing Australia will publish program documentation, including program guidelines, prior to program launch.

For any further questions contact Housing Australia [here](#).

