

# Regional Highlights

Regional Highlights presents an overview of key initiatives and programs in the 2019 Budget. It complements the extensive information contained in the other budget papers by presenting budget details of particular relevance to the communities in each of the Territory's seven regions.

This book details initiatives in service delivery, targeted specifically for each region and classified by the government's strategic priorities of creating local jobs, delivering generational change, investing in the bush, creating a safer Territory, and restoring trust. It also includes Territory-wide initiatives, which apply across all regions.

Important infrastructure projects are identified for each region as well as on a Territory-wide basis.

Where Commonwealth funding is provided through national partnership agreements, and can be used flexibly, it is included under the title of the relevant agreement.

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# Territory wide

Growth and investment in regions will be underpinned through a number of economic stimulus packages and grants that support regional agricultural, tourism and mining sectors. The Territory economy is also expected to benefit from onshore gas exploration and future onshore development in line with implementation of recommendations in the Final Report from the Independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing.

Some initiatives cannot be accurately apportioned between regions, however are important and relevant across the Territory. Details of these initiatives are provided here, in addition to the information specific to each region in later sections.

# Palmerston and Litchfield Top End Rural Katherine Barkly Central Australia

### Home owner assistance

- \$6M for the BuildBonus grant, to provide the first 600 people who build a new home in the Territory with a construction grant of \$20 000
- \$5.4M for home renovation grants, for first home owneroccupiers to use Territory small businesses for minor improvements to their homes
- \$5.17M for the first home owner grant
- up to \$18 601 Territory home owner discount

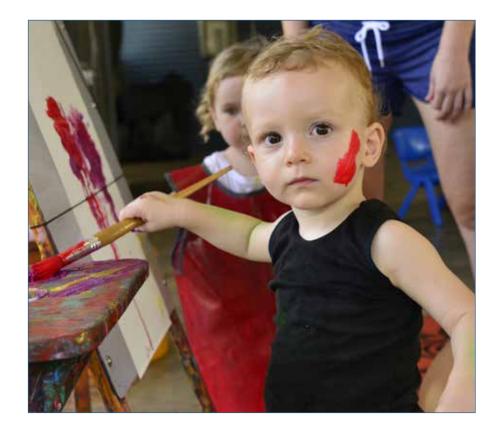
### Creating local jobs

- \$100M over two years from 2018-19 for the urban public housing stimulus program
- \$17M for marketing to increase holiday and business event visitors
- \$11M in Territory and Commonwealth funding for vocational education and training (VET) to develop new or build on existing skills to gain employment
- \$10.4M for the headlease rental initiative to support affordable and social housing
- \$9M over four years from 2016-17 to support the Territory screen production industry

- \$6M to support community festivals and events across the Territory
- \$5.1M for the 'Welcome to the Territory' incentive program
- \$5M to ensure active mines (including exploration and extractive sites) operate in a manner that supports sustainable economic development
- \$4.2M for the Future Skills program and to develop a Future Proofing Training Infrastructure Fund
- \$4.1M for management and research to ensure sustainability of Territory aquatic resources
- \$2.8M for the Land Management and Conservation Fund
- \$2.7M for round 3 of Building Better Schools grants to non-government schools, providing \$0.3M per school for refurbishments and upgrades to enhance student learning
- \$2.5M to improve strategic local roads infrastructure
- \$2.42M for effective and efficient administration of mineral titles and tenure in the Territory to assist industry exploration
- \$2.4M to enhance delivery of geoscience and exploration data to the minerals and petroleum exploration industry and promote investment
- \$2.4M to continue the Mapping the Future program to develop natural resource information



- \$1.64M to improve administration and regulation of water licences and permits, and water management across the Territory
- \$1.5M to support tourism businesses to improve their visitor offerings with the visitor experience enhancement program
- \$1.4M for rangelands monitoring of natural resources on pastoral lands
- \$1.14M for employment programs, including 20 Aboriginal teacher education scholarships to increase the number of Aboriginal teachers in Territory schools
- \$1.04M to adapt agricultural production systems to improve agribusiness investment certainty
- \$1.02M to provide environment grants to community groups, industry, schools, local government and business to benefit the Territory environment
- \$1M for initial gas development studies of the Beetaloo Sub-basin, Darwin Harbour and Middle Arm
- \$1M for grants to encourage resource exploration in greenfield regions including using local suppliers
- \$0.82M for the NT Gas Task Force and to implement the Five Point NT Gas Strategy
- \$0.65M for research into the Territory's recreational fishing sector
- \$0.5M to assess and regulate water extraction licences for mining and petroleum
- \$0.5M for Alcohol Secure grants to licensed premises to increase the physical safety and security of their liquor stock against theft or damage
- \$0.4M to protect the Territory from aquatic pests and diseases
- \$0.4M for a two-stage market process to develop the Darwin Rural Seniors' Lifestyle Accommodation project



- \$0.4M for the Northern Territory Recreational Fishing Grants Scheme
- \$0.3M to develop trade in agricultural products, through technical and market access advice

# Delivering generational change

- \$66.95M over five years from 2018-19 for the new CARE system with full data integration to support and improve frontline child protection service delivery
- \$5.4M to support children's participation in sport and cultural activities
- \$1.22M to support the educational outcomes of middle year students
- \$0.9M to attract, retain and manage school staff to meet the needs of their students and school community
- \$0.7M to engage and grow quality teachers and school leaders through training, coaching and mentoring programs, and professional learning opportunities

- \$0.49M to upskill teachers in digital literacy and introduce computer coding training into primary and secondary schools
- \$0.28M to expand enterprise education and innovation programs within schools

### Investing in the bush

- \$77.7M for the Indigenous Essential Services program, providing electricity, water and sewerage in 72 remote Aboriginal communities
- \$21.6M for municipal and essential services in homelands and outstations
- \$14M over four years from 2018-19, including \$4M in 2019-20, as part of a joint Territory Government and Telstra co-investment program to further expand telecommunications services across remote Territory locations
- \$7M to upgrade major essential services infrastructure in remote communities
- \$6.1M for the Homelands Extra Allowance program to improve existing housing in homelands



- \$6M for the Homelands Jobs Program
- \$3.8M to lead whole of government coordination in developing and implementing Aboriginal affairs-related policies
- \$3M to expand the Remote Passenger Transport Program
- \$1.9M for regional development and coordination as part of the Local Decision Making policy
- \$0.8M for training and support of Aboriginal people to start and operate fishing or aquaculture businesses in remote communities
- \$0.7M to fund marine patrols and facilitate training to support marine ranger career pathways
- \$0.6M to manage the sustainable use of wildlife
- \$0.4M for agreements with traditional owners to ensure recreational and commercial fishing access

### Creating a safer Territory

- \$259M over five years from 2017-18, including \$63.5M in 2019-20, for the health Core Clinical Systems Renewal Program
- \$87M for disability services, including community care and support

- \$70.41M to provide mental health services across the Territory including suicide prevention programs
- \$57.23M for alcohol and other drug services, including treatment and care options to reduce harm
- \$40M to meet demand for health services
- \$30.86M to provide road ambulance services
- \$28.5M for hearing, oral and cancer screening services, including the hearing workers initiative and mobile breastscreening services
- \$26.4M for the new SerPro policing management system
- \$23.22M for homelessness services to support homeless or at-risk
   Territorians, including funding to manage and operate Apmere Mwerre
   Visitor Park and Stuart Lodge in Alice Springs
- \$22.33M to provide primary health care services in urban and remote areas
- \$17.62M to provide disease control services, including disease prevention and early intervention, immunisation and disease surveillance

- \$15M additional funding to support correctional, courts and prosecution services
- \$14M in Territory and Commonwealth funding for the Northern Territory
   Legal Aid Commission and community
   legal centres
- \$12.37M for the Community Benefit Fund to provide community grants including gambling amelioration and research programs
- \$10M additional funding for police, fire and emergency services
- \$5.4M for the sports voucher scheme
- \$5M to support young people transitioning from out of home care with access to stable accommodation
- \$4.71M for environmental health services including surveillance and monitoring of the environment and health standards
- \$4.17M for aged care services across the Territory, including home and community care services
- \$3.83M for the Aboriginal Justice Unit

### **Back on Track**

\$8.54M ongoing from 2019-20 for the Back on Track Program in the Greater Darwin, Alice Springs, Tennant Creek, Nhulunbuy and Katherine regions to reduce the number of young people who enter detention and provide early opportunities for them to engage with vocational education and employment pathways.

Back on Track provides courts with more diversion and sentencing options and supports other government initiatives to prevent youth crime. The key aim of the program is to get young people back on track, while taking responsibility for their actions and understanding the consequences of their offending behaviour.

- \$2.92M for enhanced monitoring and surveillance of offenders in the community
- \$2M for river and groundwater resource monitoring and flood forecasting
- \$2M to assist volunteer bushfire brigades and residents in wildfire management
- \$2M for motorsports across the Territory
- \$1.95M to provide quality-assured veterinary laboratory services that support diagnostic, regulatory and research programs for animal health
- \$1.7M to deliver Australian Football League premiership games in the Territory
- \$1.62M to assist victims of crime by providing crisis counselling, advocacy and referrals, and implementing the Safe at Home program
- \$1.5M to assess and monitor threatened and significant wildlife, and reduce threats from fire and feral cats
- \$1.4M to eradicate browsing ant from the Territory
- \$1.2M to enhance animal welfare in the Territory through a robust compliance program
- \$1M to support National Rugby League games in the Territory
- \$0.9M to deliver the refreshed NTPS Aboriginal Employment and Career Development Strategy 2015-20
- \$0.6M for Australian rules football community participation programs
- \$0.52M for the Community Justice Centre
- \$0.51M to reduce the impact of antisocial behaviour in Darwin and Palmerston
- \$0.3M to fund Larrakia Nation for Territory Connect (Return to Country)

- \$1.1B for the 10-year Remote Housing Investment Package (2019-20 is year 3), comprising:
  - \$500M to construct new public housing
  - \$200M for new government employee housing in remote communities, including housing for local employees
  - \$200M to build additional living areas for existing housing stock under the Room to Breathe program
  - \$200M for repairs and maintenance
- \$550M over five years from 2018-19 from the Commonwealth to

- match the Territory's investment in remote Aboriginal housing
- \$27.6M in 2019-20 for remote land servicing, essential services and headworks infrastructure
- \$14.5M for minor new works to upgrade existing urban public and government employee housing across the Territory
- \$8M to continue strengthening and widening the road network, traffic management road treatment, and landscaping of road verges across regions
- \$5M for the Strategic Local Government Infrastructure Fund for projects that improve key infrastructure in remote communities
- \$1.8M for community art gallery infrastructure upgrades

### Restoring trust

- \$3.09M for the Office of the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption to improve integrity in the administration of public funds
- \$1.4M to establish an independent Treaty Commission Office
- \$0.93M to support demand for environmental approvals for major projects

- \$0.3M for two staff members to coordinate and advise on petroleum environmental management matters
- \$0.22M for two additional NT EPA board members to support environmental regulation of the onshore petroleum industry



# Central Australia

Central Australia is the Territory's largest region, covering 42 per cent of the total land area. The region is made up of small communities separated by long distances and is home to about 39 400 people, of whom 43.3 per cent are Aboriginal. Alice Springs is the main centre in the region, with a population of about 26 500. About 35 per cent of the region's population are aged 24 years or under and about 7 per cent are aged 65 years or older.

Major industries include tourism, mining, oil and gas exploration, and construction. Tourism is an important contributor to economic activity with many natural attractions in the region including Kata Tjuta, Kings Canyon, Uluru and the West MacDonnell Ranges attracting domestic and international visitors.

# Delivering generational change

- \$142.22M for primary, middle and senior years education in government and non-government schools, including improving transition between primary, middle and senior school
- \$33.15M for out of home care and child protection services
- \$7.63M for preschool education in government schools
- \$6.18M to implement the Indigenous Education Strategy
- \$4.85M for early childhood education and care including early childhood subsidies

- \$4.25M over three years from 2017-18 to improve the school resourcing model and support for schools
- \$3.68M for isolated student education through the Alice Springs School of the Air and distance education
- \$1.96M for school bus services
- \$1.33M for early intervention and support to tackle challenging behaviours and support students with additional needs
- \$1.06M to continue the Back to School Payment scheme
- \$0.98M to improve education for young people who are in detention

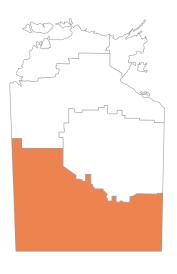
### Creating local jobs

- \$16.3M in Territory and Commonwealth funding to operate and deliver VET for Territorians to develop new or build on existing skills to gain employment
- \$6.27M to operate the Alice Springs Desert Park
- \$5M to support Parrtjima, 'A Festival in Light'
- \$1.2M for new generation geoscience technology to assess resource potential and promote exploration investment
- \$0.8M to support the visitor information centre
- \$0.65M to operate the Arid Zone and Old Man Plains research stations

- \$60.2M in Commonwealth and Territory funding to continue to extend the seal along the Plenty Highway and Tjukaruru Road
- \$50M to progress the National Aboriginal Art Gallery in Alice Springs
- \$20.2M for Turbocharging Tourism
  - \$11.9M for a new adventure cycling track at West MacDonnell National Park
  - \$5.6M for a new multi-day walking track
  - \$2.7M for Hermannsburg Historical Precinct upgrades
- \$19.4M to improve Maryvale Road

- \$14.7M for City Deals for revitalising infrastructure in the Alice Springs town centre
- \$5.3M for various works at Alice Springs Hospital, including fire protection and electrical upgrades
- \$4.9M for headworks infrastructure and subdivision works to support the development of Kilgariff
- \$4.3M for selected upgrades on the Alice Springs to Halls Creek corridor, including upgrading Tanami Road and completing the seal to Yuendumu
- \$3.13M for the minor new works program for government schools, including round 3 of Building Better

- Schools projects and round 2 of the rooftop solar in schools program
- \$1.8M to continue upgrading the youth and domestic violence court in Alice Springs
- \$1.2M for Alice Springs Correctional Centre fence including security system
- \$1M to upgrade electrical, fire and mechanical services at Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre
- \$0.9M to upgrade the Harts Range Health Centre
- \$0.5M for investigations to support the delivery of industrial land in Alice Springs





- \$0.84M to continue the Families as
   First Teachers program at the Larapinta
   site and establish additional sites in
   Areyonga, Laramba and Mount Allan
   (Yuelamu)
- \$0.77M additional support for nongovernment schools to provide boarding services for Aboriginal students in the region
- \$0.32M for the professional learning and coaching program to improve the quality of teaching
- \$0.29M to support schools to evaluate and measure progress towards improved outcomes for students

### Investing in the bush

- \$1.9M for regional development and coordination as part of the Local Decision Making policy
- \$0.6M for research and development to assist the cattle industry improve productivity
- \$20 000 to implement water allocation plans for Ti Tree and Western Davenport areas

### Creating a safer Territory

- \$262.28M for hospital services including patient travel and aeromedical retrieval services
- \$74.69M to provide police, fire and emergency services, including

- nine police stations, and a further six police stations funded under Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment, and two fire stations, and 12 fire and emergency volunteer groups
- \$43.5M to provide primary health care services in urban and remote areas
- \$36M for the Alice Springs
   Correctional Centre, including a range of therapeutic and reintegration interventions to assist their rehabilitation
- \$12.18M for youth justice services and improving youth justice programs so young people are accountable
- \$8.94M for domestic and family violence services, including implementing the Changing Attitudes, Intervening Earlier and Responding Better action plan
- \$8.07M for seniors and carers, including the NT Concession and Seniors Recognition schemes
- \$7.28M to operate Alice Springs youth detention centre
- \$7.16M to provide family support services, including coordination of the early childhood development plan implementation and establishing family support centres
- \$6.56M for court services in central Australia

- \$3.84M to provide assessment, monitoring and supervision services to community-based offenders in line with sentences and orders issued by the courts and Parole Board
- \$1.5M to invest in the Alice Springs Centre for Excellence in Solar Energy
- \$1.3M for public bus services
- \$1.2M for Breaking the Cycle of Youth Crime and antisocial behaviour in Alice Springs
- \$0.95M to promote gender equity and provide social inclusion services
- \$0.4M for the Youth and Children's Court
- \$0.21M for elders visiting and family violence programs
- \$0.21M to provide alcohol and other drugs residential treatment programs for adult offenders
- \$0.16M to provide construction industry skills to offenders on community-based supervision orders
- \$0.1M for programs aimed at assisting community-based offenders to engage in work readiness and training to enhance employability

### Restoring trust

 \$0.2M to deliver petroleum operations and pipeline site monitoring and compliance

# **Barkly**

Barkly is the Territory's third largest region and extends along the Stuart Highway from Barrow Creek to Elliott and east across the Barkly Tableland to Queensland. The region is made up of small communities separated by long distances and is home to about 6100 people, of whom 71 per cent are Aboriginal. Tennant Creek is the main centre with a population of about 3300 people. A high proportion of people living in the region are young, with about 42 per cent aged 24 years and under, and about 6 per cent aged 65 or older.

Major industries include government services, agriculture, construction, and mining. The Barkly and Tennant Creek pastoral district accounts for a substantial proportion of the Territory's total cattle industry. The Northern Gas Pipeline, connecting the Territory to the eastern gas market, is expected to stimulate economic activity in the Barkly region over the next few years. Government is also investing to develop Tennant Creek as a mining and mineral services centre.



### **Barkly Regional Deal**

\$78.4M in Territory,
Commonwealth and Barkly
Regional Council funding over
10 years for the Barkly Regional
Deal, comprising 28 new initiatives
to drive economic growth and
address regional issues,
including:

- \$24.4M for a visitor park, student boarding accommodation, and social and affordable housing to reduce overcrowding
- \$17.9M for a new weather radar to support agribusiness and resource exploration
- \$11.1M to invest in youth infrastructure, a Barkly Business Hub and to develop a regional workforce strategy
- \$9.5M to support community projects, sports and mediation services in remote areas
- \$8.9M for a new alternative to detention for young people and justice infrastructure improvements
- \$6.6M for crisis youth support and trauma informed care services.

### Creating local jobs

- \$4.8M in Territory and Commonwealth funding to operate and deliver VET for Territorians to develop new or build on existing skills to gain employment
- \$1.5M to provide new generation geoscience to assess resource potential and promote exploration investment
- \$0.3M to regulate and support mines in Tennant Creek
- \$0.1M to support the visitor information centre

# Delivering generational change

- \$40.19M for primary, middle and senior years education in government and non-government schools, including improving transition between primary, middle and senior school
- \$7.08M to implement the Indigenous Education Strategy
- \$4.4M for out of home care and child protection services



- \$15.9M in Territory and Commonwealth funding to strengthen and widen sections of the Tablelands Highway under the Beef Roads Program
- \$10M for Tennant Creek art and culture upgrades as part of the Arts Trail
- \$8.3M for selected upgrades to improve the cattle supply chain on the Barkly Stock Route under the Beef Roads Program
- \$6M to strengthen the remaining bridges along the Tablelands Highway
- \$5.6M for housing and infrastructure investment in Arlparra
- \$5.3M for Turbocharging Tourism, including new mining interpretative displays in Tennant Creek

- \$3.6M for facilities to support youth justice programs and provide alternatives to detention
- \$2M for entry statements along the Stuart Highway into Tennant Creek
- \$2M for a new building for Tennant Creek High School to support engagement programs
- \$1.89M for the minor new works program for government schools, including round 3 of Building Better Schools projects and round 2 of rooftop solar in schools program
- \$1.7M to continue Stage 1 of the Sandover Highway upgrade to extend the seal to the Utopia health clinic
- \$1.5M for selected upgrades on the Tennant Creek to Townsville road corridor

- \$2.94M for early childhood education and care including early childhood subsidies
- \$2.36M for preschool education in government schools
- \$1.59M over three years from 2017-18 to improve the school resourcing model and support for schools
- \$1.04M to continue the Healthy Life
   Creative Life program to enable middle
   and senior years students to return to
   mainstream schooling or progress to a
   job or training through re-engagement
   activities such as sport, creative arts,
   social and emotional learning, and
   learning on country
- \$0.47M for isolated student education through distance education
- \$0.46M for early intervention and support to tackle challenging behaviours and assist students with additional needs
- \$0.28M to provide nationally accredited VET and support for employment pathways in schools
- \$0.24M to continue the Back to School Payment scheme
- \$0.11M for the Families as First Teachers site in Epenarra

### Investing in the bush

- \$1M to continue the rehabilitation of abandoned sites including projects around Tennant Creek
- \$0.7M for regional development and coordination as part of the Local Decision Making policy
- \$0.3M for research and development to assist the cattle industry improve productivity

### Creating a safer Territory

- \$26.62M for hospital services including patient travel
- \$16.85M to provide police, fire and emergency services, including three police stations and a further three police stations funded under Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment, and one fire station and three fire and emergency volunteer groups
- \$6.26M to provide primary health care services in urban and remote areas
- \$4.52M to provide a 74-bed lowsecurity prisoner work camp in Tennant Creek to contribute to providing real life skills and experience for prisoners
- \$1.77M for youth justice services and improving youth justice programs so young people are accountable

- \$1.13M to provide assessment, monitoring and supervision services for community-based offenders in line with sentences and orders issued by the courts and Parole Board
- \$1.11M to provide family support services, including coordination of the early childhood development plan implementation and establishing family support centres
- \$0.79M for domestic and family violence services, including implementing the Changing Attitudes, Intervening Earlier and Responding Better action plan
- \$0.74M for seniors and carers, including the NT Concession and Seniors Recognition schemes
- \$0.43M for three public housing safety officers in Tennant Creek
- \$0.27M for courts to administer justice for regional and remote communities, including at Elliott and Ali Curung.
   Registry services are provided through the courthouse at Tennant Creek
- \$90 000 for elders visiting and remote communities corrections officer programs
- \$87 000 to promote gender equality and provide social inclusion services

# Katherine

Katherine is the Territory's second largest region and extends from the Ord Bonaparte area in the west to the Gulf of Carpentaria in the east. The region is made up of small communities separated by long distances and is home to about 20 800 people, of whom about 57 per cent are Aboriginal. The town of Katherine is the main centre with a population of about 10 700 people. About 41 per cent of the region's population is aged 24 years and under, and about 7 per cent is aged 65 years and over.

The town of Katherine is a natural transport crossway connecting Darwin and Alice Springs with Western Australia and Queensland. Recognising this strategic importance has enabled Katherine to develop as a major regional logistics and agribusiness hub.

Major industries include tourism, horticulture, pastoral, mining and defence. The region has significant defence presence, with the Royal Australian Air Force's (RAAF) Base Tindal, Bradshaw Field Training Area and Delamere Air Weapons Range. Key tourist attractions include Nitmiluk Gorge, Leliyn (Edith Falls), Mataranka, and recreational fishing in the big rivers of the region.

### Creating local jobs

- \$7.6M in Territory and Commonwealth funding to operate and deliver VET for Territorians to develop new or build on existing skills to gain employment
- \$1.25M to operate the Katherine and Victoria River research stations
- \$0.64M to adapt agricultural production systems to improve agribusiness investment certainty
- \$0.46M to manage and maintain Crown land including associated buildings and weed control
- \$0.4M to facilitate major agribusiness projects including development of regional agricultural precincts and support for the Katherine Logistics and Agribusiness Hub
- \$0.4M to provide new generation geoscience technology to assess resource potential and promote exploration investment
- \$0.3M to support the visitor information centre

### Delivering generational change

• \$92.21M for primary, middle and senior years education in government and non-government schools, including improving transition between primary, middle and senior school

- \$25.43M for out of home care and child protection services
- \$8.4M to implement the Indigenous **Education Strategy**
- \$5.55M for preschool education in government schools
- \$4.02M for early childhood education and care, including early childhood subsidies
- \$3.78M over three years from 2017-18 to improve the school resourcing model and support for schools
- \$3.77M for isolated student education through the Katherine School of the Air and distance education

- \$1.76M for school bus services
- \$0.96M to continue the Healthy Life Creative Life program to enable middle and senior years students to return to mainstream schooling or progress to a job or training through re-engagement activities such as sport, creative arts, social and emotional learning, and learning on country
- \$0.66M to continue early intervention and support to tackle challenging behaviours and assist students with additional needs, including an autism unit
- \$0.62M to continue the Back to School Payment scheme



- \$73.4M in Territory and Commonwealth funding under the Northern Australia Roads Program, comprising:
  - \$44.4M to continue to upgrade the Keep River Plains Road to support Project Sea Dragon and the Ord agricultural irrigation development
  - \$29M to strengthen, widen and extend the seal on the Buntine Highway towards the Western Australia border
- \$30M for headworks and subdivision works to progress development of the Katherine Logistics and Agribusiness Hub
- \$11.5M for Nitmiluk National Park, including infrastructure upgrades and new walking trails linking with mountain bike trails
- \$11.3M to continue to construct new high level bridges over Little Horse Creek and Big Horse Creek under the National Highway Upgrade Program
- \$10.8M to continue to construct the Ngukurr police complex and additional housing
- \$10M to progress the Katherine art gallery extension as part of the Arts Trail

- \$9.8M for flood mitigation works
- \$5.7M to seal selected sections of the Lajamanu access road and Roper Highway
- \$4.7M for the Borroloola water supply connection to
- \$4M for headworks infrastructure and subdivision of residential, commercial and industrial land in Kalkarindii
- \$4M to strengthen and widen selected sections of Carpentaria Highway
- \$3.8M to continue to upgrade the Robinson and Calvert stream crossings on Wollogorang Road
- \$3.5M for subdivision works to support the release of 35 residential lots in Borroloola
- \$2.9M for the minor new works program for government schools, including round 3 of Building Better Schools projects and round 2 of rooftop solar in schools program
- \$1.2M for electrical upgrades to Katherine Hospital
- \$0.9M for selected upgrades on the Newman to Katherine corridor

• \$0.52M to continue the Families as First Teachers program at five urban sites and to establish additional sites in Barunga and Urapunga

### Investing in the bush

- \$1.5M for regional development and coordination as part of the Local Decision Making policy
- \$0.5M to provide assistance to pastoralists and other landholders to manage grader grass, prickly acacia, neem and rubber bush

### Creating a safer Territory

- \$44.9M for hospital services including patient travel and cancer treatment and accommodation
- \$39.92M to provide police, fire and emergency services, including 10 police stations and a further two police stations funded under Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment, and one fire station and eight fire and emergency volunteer groups

- \$15.74M to provide primary health care services in urban and remote areas
- \$6.02M to provide family support services, including coordination of the early childhood development plan implementation and establishing family support centres
- \$5.06M for seniors and carers, including the NT Concession and Seniors Recognition schemes
- \$5.04M for youth justice services and improving youth justice programs so young people are accountable
- \$4.99M for domestic and family violence services, including implementing the Changing Attitudes, Intervening Earlier and Responding Better action plan
- \$2.98M to provide assessment, monitoring and supervision services to community-based offenders in line with sentences and orders issued by the courts and Parole Board

- \$1.38M for courts to administer justice for regional and remote communities, including Beswick, Ngukurr, Timber Creek, Kalkarindji, Borroloola and Lajamanu. Registry services are provided through the courthouse at Katherine
- \$0.57M to promote gender equality and provide social inclusion services
- \$0.43M for three public housing safety officers in Katherine
- \$0.38M to provide alcohol and other drugs residential treatment programs for adult offenders
- \$0.13M to provide construction industry skills to offenders on community-based supervision orders
- \$0.13M for elders visiting and remote communities corrections officer programs

### Restoring trust

• \$0.2M to deliver petroleum operations and pipeline site monitoring and compliance

# **East Arnhem**

The East Arnhem region is situated in the far north-eastern corner of the Territory and covers East Arnhem Land, Groote Eylandt and Elcho Island. Due to the lack of road access, transport for travellers and freight is mainly by air or sea.

The East Arnhem region is home to about 14 500 people, of whom around 73 per cent are Aboriginal, with major population centres in Nhulunbuy and Alyangula. The population in East Arnhem is relatively young and dispersed, with about 45 per cent aged 24 years and under and only 3 per cent aged 65 years and over.

Major industries in the East Arnhem region include mining, buffalo farming, tourism, aquaculture and fishing. Mining is the main contributor to economic activity in the region, with the production of manganese at the GEMCO mine at Groote Eylandt and bauxite at the Rio Tinto and Gulkula mines on the Gove Peninsula. Traditional Aboriginal cultural experiences, Aboriginal art, and the remote and natural wilderness attract tourists to the region, providing economic opportunities and employment activity.



### Creating local jobs

• \$5.8M in Territory and Commonwealth funding to operate and deliver VET for Territorians to develop new or build on existing skills to gain employment

### Delivering generational change

• \$86.04M for primary, middle and senior years education in government and non-government schools, including

- improving transition between primary, middle and senior school
- \$15.62M to implement the Indigenous **Education Strategy**
- \$11.01M for out of home care and child protection services
- \$5.35M for preschool education in government schools
- \$5.34M for early childhood education and care, including early childhood subsidies
- \$3.91M over three years from 2017-18 to improve the school resourcing model and support for schools
- \$0.97M over four years from 2017-18 to upgrade local area network cabling in schools
- \$0.88M for school bus services
- \$0.72M to provide nationally accredited VET and support for employment pathways in schools
- \$0.65M for isolated student education through distance education
- \$0.56M to continue the Back to School Payment scheme
- \$0.4M to continue early intervention and support to tackle challenging behaviours and assist students with additional needs
- \$0.31M to upgrade digital systems to drive data-informed decision-making
- \$0.27M to support schools to evaluate and measure progress towards improved outcomes for students
- \$0.24M to promote a school environment that is inclusive, fair and focused on delivering learning to meet individual needs
- \$0.22M for the professional learning and coaching program to improve the quality of teaching





 \$0.12M to enhance the support provided to school business managers

### Investing in the bush

- \$1M for regional development and program coordination as part of the Local Decision Making policy
- \$0.8M for research and development to assist the cattle industry improve productivity
- \$0.1M for agreements with traditional owners to ensure recreational and commercial fishing access

### Creating a safer Territory

- \$36.13M for hospital services including patient travel
- \$16.79M to provide primary health care services in urban and remote areas
- \$11.38M to provide police, fire and emergency services, including three police stations and a further five police stations funded under Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment, and one fire station and six fire and emergency volunteer groups

- \$3.36M to provide family support services, including coordination of the early childhood development plan implementation and establishing family support centres
- \$3.17M for domestic and family violence services, including implementing the Changing Attitudes, Intervening Earlier and Responding Better action plan
- \$3.14M for seniors and carers, including the NT Concession and Seniors Recognition schemes
- \$2.56M to provide a 50-bed low security prisoner work camp in Nhulunbuy to contribute to providing real life skills and experience for prisoners
- \$2.46M for youth justice services and improving youth justice programs so young people are accountable
- \$1.07M to provide assessment, monitoring and supervision services to community-based offenders in line with sentences and orders issued by the courts and Parole Board

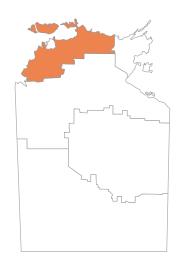
- \$16.2M to upgrade and seal priority sections of the Central Arnhem Road
- \$15.5M for cyclone rectification works at Galiwin'ku
- \$10M for Arnhem Land art gallery extensions as part of the Arts Trail
- \$6.8M for fire remediation works at Gove District Hospital
- \$6.1M to upgrade police facilities at Angurugu
- \$8.7M for water services and infrastructure upgrades in Galiwin'ku and Lake Evella
- \$5.8M for stage 2 of the Angurugu sewer upgrade
- \$4.5M for selected upgrades to the Elcho Island aerodrome
- \$3.7M to improve barge landings and goods handling facilities at Galiwin'ku, Ramingining and Lake Evella
- \$1.5M for Gove marine infrastructure
- \$1.2M for the Yirrkala groundwater drilling program
- \$1.1M for the minor new works program for government schools, including round 3 of Building Better Schools projects and round 2 of rooftop solar in schools program
- \$1M to design, construct and install relocatable buildings for the Galiwin'ku Women's (safe) Space
- \$0.36M to promote gender equity and provide social inclusion services
- \$0.29M for courts to administer justice for regional and remote communities, including Alyangula, Nhulunbuy, Numbulwar and Galiwin'ku. Registry services are provided through the courthouse at Nhulunbuy

# **Top End Rural**

The Top End Rural region encompasses the Tiwi Islands and many small communities extending east to East Arnhem and south of the Palmerston and Litchfield region to the Katherine region. About 17 900 people live in the region with major population centres in Wadeye and Jabiru. The region's population is relatively young, with about 40 per cent aged 24 years and under, and about 6 per cent aged 65 years or older.

Major industries include tourism, horticulture, forestry and mining. Tourism is a significant contributor to economic activity in the region, with world-renowned attractions such as Litchfield and Kakadu national parks, as well as the Daly River for recreational fishing and camping.

Mining activity in the region includes uranium oxide from the Ranger Mine near Jabiru and gold and other minerals around Pine Creek.



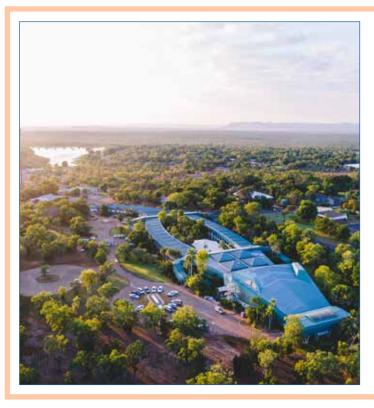
### Creating local jobs

- \$5.8M in Territory and Commonwealth funding to operate and deliver VET for Territorians to develop new or build on existing skills to gain employment
- \$1.9M to operate Top End research facilities
- \$1.44M to adapt agricultural production systems to improve agribusiness investment certainty
- \$0.56M to manage and maintain Crown land including associated buildings and weed control

### Delivering generational change

- \$45.69M for primary, middle and senior years education in government and non-government schools, including improving transition between primary, middle and senior school
- \$6.22M for out of home care and child protection services
- \$2.74M for school transport services. including bus and ferry services
- \$1.68M for preschool education in government schools

- \$1.4M to implement the Indigenous **Education Strategy**
- \$0.75M for early childhood education and care including early childhood subsidies
- \$0.44M for isolated student education through distance education
- \$0.37M over three years from 2017-18 to improve the school resourcing model and support for schools
- \$0.17M to continue the Back to School Payment scheme



### Jabiru futures project

The future of Jabiru project provides investment from the Territory and Commonwealth governments to upgrade Kakadu National Park, support the township of Jabiru to transition to a tourism-based economy and redevelop the region, comprising:

- \$131M in Territory funding over four years, including infrastructure upgrades for a new power station, Bininj Resource Centre, government services hub, multi-use medical centre, education precinct, mobile connectivity in Kakadu and various upgrades to Jabiru town infrastructure, including utilities, airport and
- \$216M over 10 years from the Commonwealth for a world heritage interpretive centre, road upgrades, park upgrades, asbestos remediation works, and mobile connectivity in Kakadu. The Commonwealth's investment is not yet reflected in the Territory's budget as an agreement is still to be finalised.

### Investing in the bush

- \$8.5M over three years from 2017-18 to expand capacity and deliver more reliable remote telecommunications in the Tiwi Islands
- \$1.3M for regional development and coordination in Jabiru and Wadeye as part of Local Decision Making
- \$0.52M for agreements with traditional owners to ensure recreational and commercial fishing access
- \$0.4M for research and development to assist the cattle industry improve productivity
- \$0.14M to continue to attract investment and facilitate economic development on the Tiwi Islands through pre-feasibility and marketing strategies

### Creating a safer Territory

- \$25.15M to provide primary health care services in remote areas
- \$14.63M to provide police, fire and emergency services, including 10 police stations and a further three police stations funded under Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment, one fire station and nine fire and emergency volunteer groups
- \$3.3M to provide family support services, including coordination of the early childhood development plan implementation and establishing family support centres
- \$3.2M for public transport services, including bus and ferry services
- \$1.9M for domestic and family violence services, including implementing the Changing Attitudes, Intervening Earlier and Responding Better action plan
- \$1.5M for seniors and carers, including the NT Concession and Seniors Recognition schemes
- \$1.12M for youth justice services and improving youth justice programs so young people are accountable
- \$0.7M to assess and monitor marine mega fauna, including dolphins, dugongs and turtles
- \$0.55M to provide assessment, monitoring and supervision services to community-based offenders in line with sentences and orders issued by the courts and Parole Board
- \$0.41M for courts to administer justice for regional and remote communities, including Wadeye, Daly River and Jabiru. Registry services are provided through the Magistrates Court at Darwin
- \$0.17 to promote gender equality and provide social inclusion services



- \$76.6M to upgrade the Arnhem Highway on the Adelaide River floodplain to provide all-weather access
- \$50M to construct a new marine facility at Mandorah
- \$15M to continue to construct the Maningrida police complex and additional housing
- \$14.6M for continued infrastructure works to support Project Sea Dragon, comprising:
  - \$7.7M for Gunn Point Road
  - \$6.9M to improve access road at Point Ceylon
- \$6.3M to upgrade roads on the Tiwi Islands to support economic and social development
- \$4.3M to upgrade Kambolgie Creek crossing on Gimbat Road in Kakadu to improve flood immunity
- \$1.6M to continue to improve barge landing and goods handling facilities in Maningrida
- \$1.6M for selected upgrades on the Adelaide River to Wadeye corridor, including sealing Port Keats Road between Wadeye and Palumpa, and upgrading Saddle Rail Creek Crossing
- \$1.4M to provide safe truck parking at South Alligator Roadhouse on the Arnhem Highway
- \$1M for the Wadeye government business centre fitout

# Palmerston and Litchfield

The Palmerston and Litchfield region encompasses the city of Palmerston, the Litchfield Shire, East Arm and Robertson Barracks and extends east across Cape Hotham Forestry Reserve, south following the Adelaide River to the Darwin River Dam and north to Wickham Point.

The region is home to about 63 100 people, with more than half residing in Palmerston. About 15 per cent of the region's population is Aboriginal. About 35 per cent of the population is aged 24 years and under and about 6 per cent of the population is aged 65 years and over.

Major industries include construction, aquaculture, horticulture, cattle and crocodile farming, defence, liquefied natural gas (LNG), helium production and Darwin Port.

The region has a significant defence presence, with the Robertson Barracks army base, located near Palmerston, which also hosts the ongoing rotations of US Marines in the Territory each year. The development of East Arm, including the Marine Industry Park along with the Darwin ship lift facility, will support ongoing defence presence in the region, aid future oil and gas activity, and logistics and freight sectors in the Territory.

### Creating local jobs

- \$6.7M in Territory and Commonwealth funding to operate and deliver VET for Territorians to develop new or build on existing skills to gain employment
- \$6.38M to operate the Territory Wildlife Park
- \$3.25M for Palmerston Family City projects, including an aquatic facility and smart energy efficient LED lighting
- \$1.57M to manage and maintain Crown land including associated buildings and weed control

# Delivering generational change

- \$206.04M for primary, middle and senior years education in government and non-government schools, including improving transition between primary, middle and senior school
- \$34.04M for out of home care and child protection services
- \$10.8M for preschool education in government schools
- \$8.28M over three years from 2017-18 to improve the school resourcing model and support for schools

- \$7.84M for early childhood education and care, including early childhood subsidies
- \$6.7M to implement the Indigenous Education Strategy
- \$3.59M for school bus services
- \$1.83M to provide VET to high risk youth
- \$1.82M to continue the Back to School Payment scheme
- \$1.31M for isolated student education through distance education
- \$1.14M to continue early intervention and support to tackle challenging behaviours and support students with additional needs, including an autism unit
- \$0.52M to continue the Families as First Teachers program at the Gray site

# Investing in the bush

- \$1M to respond to high fire risk associated with gamba grass infestation
- \$0.5M for regional development and coordination as part of the Local Decision Making policy
- \$0.4M to provide technical and diagnostic support to the banana industry



### Creating a safer Territory

- \$135M for the Darwin Correctional Centre including a range of therapeutic and reintegration interventions to assist in rehabilitation
- \$56.49M for hospital services including patient travel
- \$25.53M to provide police, fire and emergency services including two police stations, two fire stations and six fire and emergency volunteer groups
- \$9.58M for youth justice services and improving youth justice programs so young people are accountable
- \$6.2M for public bus services
- \$4.78M to provide primary health care services in urban and rural areas
- \$4.73M for seniors and carers, including the NT Concession and Seniors Recognition schemes
- \$3.48M for domestic and family violence services, including implementing the Changing Attitudes, Intervening Earlier and Responding Better action plan
- \$2.85M to provide family support services, including coordination of



the early childhood development plan implementation and establishing family support centres

- \$2.79M to provide assessment, monitoring and supervision services to community-based offenders in line with sentences and orders issued by the courts and Parole Board
- \$1.85M to support 'A safer Territory - A plan for generational change' to break the cycle of crime in Palmerston
- \$1.6M for Larrakia Nation to expand the First Response Day Patrol Program in Darwin and Palmerston
- \$0.54M to promote gender equity and provide social inclusion services
- \$0.3M for youth night patrol services in Palmerston
- \$0.3M for Palmerston youth festival grants

- \$42.6M to continue construction of the new Zuccoli government primary school, including site servicing and
- \$25M to fast-track the new Palmerston fire station
- \$23.1M to construct a new high-level bridge over the Lower Finniss River
- \$17.3M for Turbocharging Tourism, including for a new adventure hub, opening new swimming areas, campgrounds, picnic areas and 4WD tracks at Litchfield National Park
- \$11.6M to complete the sealing of Litchfield Park Road
- \$11.5M to improve safety and connectivity in and around the Coolalinga commercial precinct

- \$9.92M to develop Stage 1 of the Marine Service Area
- \$6.5M for the new Bushfires NT headquarters
- \$5.6M to complete the new Palmerston police station including a watch house, regional emergency operations centre and community hall
- \$5.6M to provide better heavy vehicle access into Pinelands through an intersection upgrade at McKinnon Road
- \$4.6M for flood mitigation works
- \$4M to develop a further stage of the Holtze Industrial Estate
- \$3.4M for the Back on Track program, including youth training facilities and a drop-in centre in Palmerston

- \$2.06M for the minor new works program for government schools, including round 3 of Building Better Schools projects and round 2 of rooftop solar in schools program
- \$2M for Palmerston East headworks
- \$2M to construct a high-voltage power feeder to support the development of Zuccoli
- \$1.9M for upgrades to Don Dale Youth Detention Centre, comprising:
  - \$1M to maintain services and general amenity
  - \$0.9M to provide a separable safe and secure accommodation wing for female youths
- \$0.5M to upgrade and seal selected roads to improve the productivity of the mango industry

# **Darwin**

Darwin is the Territory's capital city and is the main population and administrative centre. The region is home to about 85 500 people, representing 35 per cent of the Territory's population. Darwin has the lowest proportion of young people among the regions, with about 30 per cent aged 24 years and under and the highest proportion of population aged 65 years and over, at about 9 per cent.

Major industries include construction, defence, retail, tourism, rental hiring and real estate services, public administration and safety, and health care. Darwin is the key gateway to the Territory's regional centres and tourist attractions, benefiting from the cruise ship sector, and is an important stratgic hub in the broader region for trade and defence.

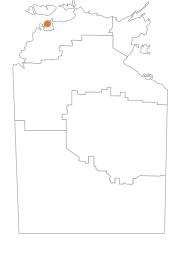
### Creating local jobs

- \$27.7M in Territory and Commonwealth funding to operate and deliver VET for Territorians to develop new or build on existing skills to gain employment
- \$2M for an artificial reef system and fish aggregating devices
- \$2M to support the Darwin Festival
- \$1.65M to manage and maintain Crown land including associated buildings and weed control
- \$0.92M to continue operating the Frances Bay marine facilities
- \$0.91M to progress the small business regulatory reform agenda

• \$0.8M for the visitor information centre

### Delivering generational change

- \$328.07M for primary, middle and senior years education in government and non-government schools, including improving transition between primary, middle and senior school
- \$35.69M for out of home care and child protection services
- \$13.67M for preschool education in government schools
- \$11.61M over three years from 2017-18 to improve the school



resourcing model and support for schools

- \$10.39M for school transport services, including bus and ferry services
- \$8.07M for Charles Darwin University to support tertiary education
- \$7.96M for early childhood education and care including childcare subsidies
- \$3.97M to continue early intervention and support to tackle challenging behaviours and assist students with additional needs, including an autism unit, and funding to continue the Top End School of Flexible Learning and the Mimik-Ga Centre
- \$3.19M to implement the Indigenous **Education Strategy**
- \$2.87M for isolated student education through the Northern Territory School of Distance Education
- \$2.82M for VET for high risk youth
- \$2.34M to continue the Back to School Payment scheme
- \$2.3M additional support for nongovernment schools to provide boarding services for Aboriginal students in the region
- \$1.12M to improve education to young people who are in detention
- \$0.69M for international education in government schools
- \$0.51M for the Families as First Teachers program at five urban sites and to establish another in Malak



- \$50M over five years for undergrounding power, commencing with schools in 2019
- \$44.1M for the John Stokes Square redevelopment including public housing, a modern police station and commercial spaces
- \$31.9M for the City Deals underground car park and State Square redevelopment
- \$29.4M for new facilities at Berrimah Research Farm
- \$16M for Berrimah North headworks
- \$15.3M to continue stage 1 of the Garramilla Boulevard link to Tiger Brennan Drive/Dinah Beach Road intersection
- \$11.7M for the new performing arts and multipurpose hall at Darwin Middle School
- \$8.3M for Turbocharging Tourism to improve facilities, including the new multipurpose visitor and event centre at George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens
- \$6.6M to continue redeveloping the Nightcliff renal facility
- \$5.7M for infrastructure upgrades, headworks and landscaping at the Waterfront

- \$5.6M to improve the intersection on Bagot Road and Osgood Drive to cater for airport precinct development and to improve safety
- \$4.4M for stage 1 of the redevelopment and expansion of Darwin High School on Bullocky Point
- \$4.4M for selected upgrades at Richardson Park:
  - \$2.9M to demolish structures, upgrade playing field and landscaping
  - \$1.5M to construct ablution facilities
- \$3.7M for flood mitigation works
- \$3M for Myilly Point landscaping and a public playground
- \$2.2M for a landscape masterplan and associated works for the Bullocky Point education precinct
- \$2.2M to redevelop Warren Park in Marrara
- \$2.1M to upgrade and extend Richardson Drive to facilitate safe access to Ludmilla Primary School
- \$1.96M for the minor new works program for government schools, including round 3 of Building Better Schools projects and round 2 of rooftop solar in schools program
- \$1M for Parliament House upgrades

### Creating a safer Territory

- \$606.35M for hospital services including patient travel, aeromedical retrieval, cancer treatment and accommodation services
- \$266M to provide police, fire and emergency services, including two police stations, three fire stations, one fire and emergency volunteer group, training college and a forensic laboratory
- \$28.38M to provide primary health care services in urban areas, including prisoner health services
- \$18.3M for public transport services, including bus and ferry services
- \$12.33M to operate Don Dale youth detention centre
- \$9.41M for youth justice services and improving youth justice programs so young people are accountable
- \$8.39M for seniors and carers, including the NT Concession and Seniors Recognition schemes

- \$7.04M to provide family support services, including coordination of the early childhood development plan implementation and establishing family support centres
- \$6.17M for domestic and family violence services, including implementing the Changing Attitudes, Intervening Earlier and Responding Better action plan
- \$5.52M for Better Pathways services and short-stay accommodation in Darwin to improve homelessness services responses
- \$3.2M for Darwin city activation promotion
- \$1.83M to provide assessment, monitoring and supervision services to community-based clients in line with sentences and orders issued by the courts and Parole Board
- \$1.6M for Larrakia Nation to expand the First Response Day Patrol Program in Darwin and Palmerston

- \$1.08M for domestic and family violence legal services
- \$1.02M for elders visiting and family violence programs
- \$0.95M to promote gender equity and provide social inclusion services
- \$0.8M for monitoring and research activities in Darwin Harbour
- \$0.7M for the Larrakia Host Program
- \$0.67M for pre and post-release support and accommodation to assist offenders reintegrate into the community
- \$0.53M for the Youth Justice Court
- \$0.16M to provide construction industry skills to offenders
- \$0.1M for programs aimed at assisting community-based offenders to engage in work readiness and training to enhance employability



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