



Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2023–2024

Answer to question taken on notice

Asked by: Ms Fiona Carrick MLA

Addressed to: Ash Balaretnaraja, Executive Branch Manager, Housing and Homeslessness Policy and Programs

In relation to: Southside Men's Crisis Accommodation

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Answer Due: 21 February 2025 5.00 pm

Ash Balaretnaraja took on notice the following question(s):

MS CARRICK: With men's crisis accommodation, is there any in the southside of Canberra?

Mr Balaretnaraja: The majority of our services are not focused on regions. So they are – whilst they might be located within a specific area, they do provide services across the breadth of the territory.

MS CARRICK: I know. But is there any physical building for men's crisis accommodation in the south?

Mr Balaretnaraja: I am happy to take that on notice, as to whether there is a physical location for the south of Canberra for men's crisis.

Minister Berry MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

Housing ACT provides no dedicated building for men's crisis accommodation on the south side of Canberra. Through homelessness funding and the Housing Asset Assistance Program, properties for transitional accommodation can be provided to men on the southside in line with their identified needs and support services. Within current funding for specialist homelessness services funding there are 10 properties on the southside provided to Everyman for the provision of transitional and supported accommodation.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Social Policy

Signature:

By the Minister for Homes and New Suburbs, Yvette Berry MLA

Date:

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