



STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY INCLUSION
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Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

MS NICOLE LAWDER MLA: To ask the Assistant Minister for Seniors, Veterans, Families and Community Services

In relation to: Seniors Week

- 1) Is there money allocated specifically in the 2020-21 Budget for Seniors Week?
- 2) If not, why not?
- 3) For the past five years, can you provide how much money was allocated specifically for Seniors Week each year?

MS EMMA DAVIDSON MLA The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

1. Yes.
2. Not applicable.
3. Each financial year, \$40,000 is allocated to support Seniors Week. Over the last five years, additional supplementation has been applied for factors such as indexation and Equal Remuneration Support (ERO). The 2019-20 ACT Budget included an allocation in years 2019-20 and 2020-21 for 'growing the inclusion of Canberra's Seniors'. This allocation included \$40,500 per annum in funding for improved resourcing for the administration of the Senior's Week events administered by the COTA ACT.

The total amounts provided for each year are:

- a. 2016-17 – \$42,170.48
- b. 2017-18 – \$43,026.92
- c. 2018-19 – \$44,104.81
- d. 2019-20 – \$86,656.88
- e. 2020-21 – \$89,247.04

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Community Inclusion

Signature: *Emma Davidson*

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By the Assistant Minister for Seniors, Veterans, Families and Community Services, Emma Davidson MLA