

Aboriginal Housing Strategy



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Update on Aboriginal Housing Strategy

In December 2018, the Premier launched the Aboriginal Affairs Action Plan for South Australia. One of the key commitments in this plan was to develop an Aboriginal Housing Strategy for South Australia. The Strategy is to be developed in close consultation with Aboriginal people and will consider the full housing continuum, from crisis services and social housing through to affordable housing options and home ownership.

A key participant in developing the strategy will be the Aboriginal Advisory Committee, which was announced in May this year to provide Aboriginal leadership and advice to the South Australian Housing Trust Board.

The new Committee gives Aboriginal people a strong voice in the reform of the housing system. It provides an Aboriginal-focused and Aboriginal-led mechanism to guide and inform the Board and the Minister for Human Services on a range of housing challenges and priorities across the state.

The Committee is providing strategic input into the development of both the State Housing and Homelessness Strategy and the Aboriginal Housing Strategy, including advice and support about how to best engage with Aboriginal communities.

The outcomes of consultation for the State Housing and Homelessness Strategy will inform the development of the Aboriginal Housing Strategy, with additional engagement to ensure the voices of Aboriginal communities shape the new Aboriginal Housing Strategy. Planning for this engagement is underway, with more information to be provided in the near future.

The SA Housing Authority is working with the Aboriginal Advisory Committee to plan the specific engagement approach for the Aboriginal Housing Strategy. Further details will be provided as planning progresses and we will be seeking your help to reach as many voices as possible.

To support the implementation of the Aboriginal Housing Strategy, the Authority is recruiting a Manager, Aboriginal Housing Strategy. This role will support and lead the

development of the strategy, including related engagement and policy development. Interested applicants are invited to submit an application through [the I Work for SA website](#) (Job Reference 358291) by 4 September 2019.

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'Cultural Maintenance' artwork by artist Allan Sumner