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NPAH CAMPAIGN EDITION

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Join the Campaign to Extend NPAH Funding

The National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH) will expire at the **end of June 2014**. As yet, funding has not been allocated to continue the agreement; and if it is not extended, NPAH-funded programs all over Australia, including many vital services in Tasmania will be at risk. This puts hundreds of vulnerable Tasmanians, their services and specialist staff in imminent risk!

Shelter Tasmania, Homelessness Australia and other housing and homelessness peak bodies are campaigning for this funding to be renewed, and we need your help to lobby for this cause to ensure the message is heard loud and clear.

You can help by writing directly to candidates, local members, or the Minister for Social Services, Kevin Andrews; requesting extended NPAH funding.

There are a number of helpful resources on the Shelter Tas website, which will provide the information you will need to join the campaign:

- Homelessness Australia's [letter template](#)
- Shelter Tas' [factsheet](#), providing background information on the NPAH
- [Letter from Shelter Tas to Kevin Andrews](#), urging the Federal Government to continue the NPAH funding.

The NPAH is funded by both the State and Federal Governments, so it is important that both levels of Government continue their investment in these essential homelessness services.

Contact Pattie Chugg, Executive Officer on 0419 536 100 or at eo@shelertas.org.au if you have any questions, or would like more information on NPAH funding or the possible effect on clients and staff if the funding ceases.