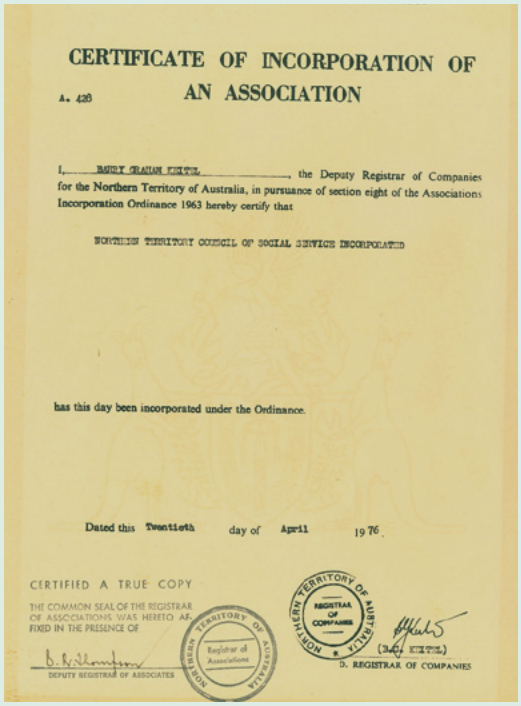
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NORTHERN TERRITORY COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE INCORPORATED

has this day been incorporated under the Ordinance.

Dated this Twentieth day of April 1976.

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NTCOSS acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live and work. We pay our respects to the Larrakia people of Garramilla (Darwin), the Arrernte people of Mparntwe (Alice Springs), and the Jawoyn, Dagoman and Wardaman peoples of Katherine, upon whose lands NTCOSS workplaces are located.

We extend our respect to Elders past and present across the Northern Territory and Australia. We honour their enduring connection to land, waters, culture and community, and we recognise that sovereignty has never been ceded.

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President & CEO's Report

Fifty years of standing with community

On 20 April 2026, the Northern Territory Council of Social Service (NTCOSS) turned 50. For half a century, NTCOSS has been the collective voice of the Northern Territory's (NT) social and community sector (the sector). Its survival is owed to the volunteers, board members, member organisations and later, staff, who believed the Territory needed an independent peak for the sector. For its first 25 years NTCOSS ran with little or no government funding. In 2001 it received its first three-year funding commitment as the peak body for the sector.

We are pleased to report that in June 2026 the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet committed another five years of funding for NTCOSS's peak role. This will take NTCOSS into its mid-fifties. More importantly, it recognises that a strong, independent peak body is essential for sector stewardship, sector support and the development of good social policy.

Bringing the sector's knowledge into reform

This has been a year of significant reform. Some of it has challenged the sector as it moved away from the evidence and experience our members bring. NTCOSS's role is to advocate for a path to reform that reflects the knowledge and wisdom of the sector and gives real weight to the voices and experiences of the people and communities most affected by these decisions.

NTCOSS has done this through submissions, public advocacy, direct engagement with government and evidence given to inquiries. Throughout, we have consistently called for approaches built on healing, accountability, evidence, genuine cross-sector consultation and long-term investment in community-led solutions. We remain committed to working constructively with government on behalf of our members, because the communities we serve need us to keep working together. The sector's expertise, capability and commitment to community are among the Territory's greatest assets, and we will keep making sure they are heard.

Rising costs and a sustainable sector

Cost of living pressures remain one of NTCOSS' greatest concerns. Every day, our members see Territorians on the lowest incomes making impossible choices between rent, food, power and transport. NTCOSS's flagship Cost of Living Reports, published in October 2025 and June 2026, reflect those experiences through quantitative evidence. Members contribute to the data through case studies and voices that give these reports their authority.

The same cost pressures are felt by the organisations delivering services. Demand keeps rising, and so does the cost of delivering services across the Territory's vast distances and remote communities. Upcoming changes to the SCHADS Award will add to this. The Fair Work Commission has found that the Award's classifications and wage rates were affected by gender-based undervaluation, and it will bring in a new classification structure and new minimum rates. NTCOSS welcomes this long-overdue

recognition of the skill and value of our mostly female workforce. It is a matter of fairness for the people who hold our communities together.

However, recognition must come with resourcing. Unless government funding agreements and contracts are adjusted to match the new award obligations, organisations will face difficult choices about service levels, staffing and, in some cases, whether they can keep operating. NTCOSS will advocate to the NT and Australian Governments to make sure the changes are fully funded and properly indexed, and that the transition is planned together. Our sector needs to be sustainable so that we can keep doing our critical job as the Territory's frontline service provider.

A sector ready for what's coming

The Territory went through repeated high-risk weather events, emergencies and disasters this year. These caused major damage and displaced many people from their communities. The social and community sector was there at every stage; supporting evacuees, delivering emergency relief and providing ongoing psychosocial care. We thank everyone who did this work, often while their own communities were affected.

Members told us clearly that the sector wants to be better prepared and recognised as a partner in planning, response and recovery; not only called on once a crisis arrives. In the second half of the year, NTCOSS made this a priority. We will keep pushing for the sector to have a formal place in the Territory's emergency management arrangements.

Members shaping the agenda

NTCOSS' work this year rested on member engagement and stewardship. NTCOSS ran broad consultation to develop an ambitious, forward-looking pre-budget submission with contributions from 42 member organisations. It sets out a shared, sector-led agenda and will anchor our advocacy over the next 18 months.

Our projects continued to strengthen the sector and connect it with the NT and Australian Governments:

- DFSV Policy Project: established a Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Network in the Big Rivers region, which is now led by the sector itself. This is the kind of sustainable, locally owned outcome we aim for.
- RAMF Champion Coordinator Project: published Strengthening Domestic and Family Violence Responses Across Eight Services in the Northern Territory: Process Evaluation of the RAMF Champions Implementation. It has drawn strong interest across the Territory and nationally.
- Youth Voice Project: hosted visitors to Central Australia including the 2025 Australian Youth Representative to the United Nations, Satara Uthayakumaran, who met with a number of young people and stakeholders in the youth space; and the Federal Office for Youth who met with Tangentyere Council's Future Yayes.
- NTcommunity Directory: had over 277,000 views this year and contains over 1000 services.



Leadership and thanks

In May 2026, CEO Sally Sievers left NTCOSS to move to Tasmania to be closer to family. Sally's career spanned 35 years in the Territory including 10 as the Anti-Discrimination Commissioner. Sally gave NTCOSS steady leadership, deep care for the NTCOSS team and an exceptional knowledge of the NT. On behalf of the Board, I thank her for her contribution to NTCOSS and to the Territory community.

I also thank the NTCOSS staff who have stepped into the acting CEO, Policy Manager and Programs Manager roles. They have kept the organisation strong through a period of change. We look forward to welcoming Trish Connolly into the CEO role later in 2026.

Looking ahead

As NTCOSS starts its next fifty years, our mission stays the same: a fair, inclusive and sustainable NT. With a member-driven agenda and a sector that proves its value time and time again, we are well placed to continue our work into the future.

Jayne Lloyd, President and Claire Pirrett, Interim CEO



NTCOSS team Claire Pirrett, Lea Toogood, Jess Manski, Sally Sievers, Caitlin Perry, Mollie Harding and NTCOSS Chair Jayne Lloyd at Sally's farewell.

About Us

NTCOSS is the peak body for the NT's vibrant and diverse not-for-profit social and community services sector. In 2025-26 NTCOSS increased its membership from 108 to 122 social and community service organisations.

The community services sector is one of the NT's largest and fastest-growing employers, contributing more than $3 billion to the economy and employing over 13,000 people.

The sector plays a central role in supporting wellbeing, economic participation and community development throughout the NT, delivering essential services in urban, regional and remote communities.

Our team is based across Darwin, Alice Springs and Katherine. For 50 years, NTCOSS has worked with our members, government and the broader community to improve outcomes for Territorians.



NTCOSS Team, March 2026.

Top row: Mollie Harding, Sally Sievers, Lea Toogood, Kaitlin Fitzpatrick, Tate Soller.

Bottom row: Meg Wright, Claire Pirrett, Caitlin Perry, Jess Manski, Steph Burgess.

Our mission is to promote social justice and reduce poverty and disadvantage in the NT. We are guided by the values of equity, inclusion and self-determination.

Our work spans sector stewardship, sector support, policy and advocacy. We help shape fair and effective public policy, amplify the voices of people experiencing disadvantage and strengthen workforce capacity and conditions. We also build the capability of community organisations to deliver meaningful, place-based solutions.

We recognise the leadership and cultural authority of Aboriginal communities and organisations. We are committed to working in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to progress equity, self-determination and community control of programs and services. This includes a strong focus on supporting the National Agreement on Closing the Gap and ensuring policy and funding decisions enable Aboriginal-led organisations and solutions.



NTCOSS Team and the NT Anti-Discrimination Commissioner, March 2026.

Tate Soller, Caitlin Perry, Mollie Harding, Sally Sievers, Jeswynn Yogaratnam (Anti Discrimination Commissioner in March 2026), Jess Manski, Steph Burgess, Kaitlin Fitzpatrick.

Events and Community Engagement

Throughout the year our team connected with members, stakeholders and communities across the Territory, celebrating the contribution of the social and community services sector.



Sally Sievers (NTCOSS) and Rebecca Dixon (Inclusion Northern Territory) at the Disability Inclusion Awards.



Sally Sievers (NTCOSS) and Patrick Ralph (Darwin City Council) at Anglicare's Couch Surfing for Youth Homelessness Matters Day event.



Esther Clerk (Youth Voice NT Ambassador), Claire Pirrett (NTCOSS) and Eleanor Pecorari (The Y) at Youth Homelessness Matters Day event in Alice Springs.



NTCOSS staff members Sally Sievers and Kaitlin Fitzpatrick at the NT Young Achievers Awards.



Claire Pirrett (NTCOSS) and Heather Smith (NPY Women's Council) at CAAFLU's 25-year Anniversary.



Rachael Uebergang and Aileen Sagolo (YWCA) and Claire Pirrett (NTCOSS) at the PaRT conference.



Wendy Morton (NDS) and Mollie Harding (NTCOSS) at the NDS Conference.



Susan Williams (Dementia Australia), Mollie Harding (NTCOSS) and Sarah Burchett (Department of People, Sport and Culture) at the launch of Refugee Legal NT.



Geoff Radford (NTMHC), Peter McMillan (Arafura Data) and Caitlin Perry (NTCOSS) at the NT Human Rights Awards 2025.

Sector Stewardship

During 2025–26, NTCOSS acted as a liaison between the NT and Federal governments and the NT social and community service sector. NTCOSS supported the dissemination of information and opportunities and advocated on key sector issues.

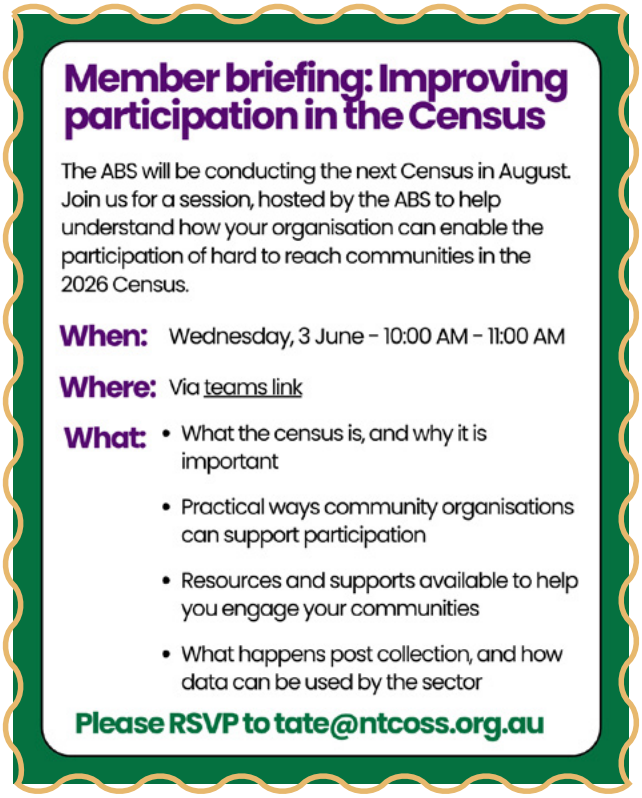
Member briefings

NTCOSS held several member briefings on key reforms, government processes and emerging sector issues. This included our annual NT Budget Information Session. We thank the Department of Treasury for its ongoing commitment to briefing the sector.

We also held briefings on Preparing for the 2026 Census, Key findings from the RAMF Champions Project Evaluation and, the SCHADS Award changes.

NTCOSS briefing flyers





Workforce Development

In July 2025, the Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations supported NTCOSS, NT Shelter, the NT Mental Health Coalition and Women's Safety Services Central Australia to participate in the NT Government's Global Worker Attraction Program in New Zealand.

The program included expos in Christchurch, Wellington and Auckland and promoted the NT as a destination for skilled workers. We thank the Department for inviting the sector and funding the sector delegation, and for increasing its financial commitment to the 2026 program.



Morgan Rickard (NTCOSS) at the Global Workforce Attraction Program in New Zealand.

Disaster preparedness

In March 2026, we hosted a Non-Government Organisation Flood Recovery Roundtable, providing a forum for organisations to share their current work, identify emerging community needs and consider what additional support was required. Following the roundtable, NTCOSS and our members advocated for sector representation in the Welfare Functional Group and now participate as observers. Emergency preparedness, response and recovery have also been central topics at NT Government /Non-Government Organisation Partnership Group (NNPG) and DFSV Partnership Group meetings. We will continue to prioritise emergency preparedness briefings in 2026–27.

SCHADS Award Wage Changes

Throughout 2025-26 the COSS Network participated in consultations to inform the Fair Work Commission's commitment to update the Award. The commission published its final decision on 1 June 2026. NTCOSS communicated the decision to members late in the reporting period and will continue to support the sector to understand its implications and prepare for the changes in 2026-27.





NT social and community sector delegates speaking with expo attendees in New Zealand.

Sector Support & Sustainability

During 2025–26, NTCOSS delivered a range of training and professional development opportunities for the sector.

In March 2026, NTCOSS facilitated an Alice Springs session presented by Angela Hampton and Miriam Bevis on how workplaces can attract, recruit and retain Aboriginal staff. In May 2026, we followed this with a complementary session, Employing and Supporting Young Aboriginal Staff in the Community Sector. We thank Miriam and Angela for sharing their considerable expertise and experience.

In May 2026, we hosted an introductory reflective practice session presented by Veritable. The session explored the principles, scope and application of reflective practice to support staff resilience and safeguard client care.

In June 2026, we partnered with member organisation CatholicCare NT to deliver a briefing on online casino games. The session responded to the sector's need to better identify and understand the emerging issue of online casino games or 'scambling' in the NT.



NTCOSS facilitated training in Alice Springs.

We also helped facilitate or run:

- High Performing Leaders programs in Alice Springs and Darwin
- Communities of practice on quality and compliance, media and communications, data and evaluation, and social policy
- Networks including the NT Utilities Network and the NT Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Network
- NTCOSS members CEO forum

YOUTH VOICE

Youth Voice is an NT wide youth advocacy project, uplifting young Territorians' voices. Our vision is for young people in the Northern Territory to be connected and supported by their friends, families, and communities.

Over 2025-26 Youth Voice NT supported ongoing initiatives like the NT Youth Roundtable, Youth Parliament, the Central Australian All Youth Conferences as well as new ones such as Youth Week, Couch Conversations in Alice Springs, a workshop on employing and supporting young Aboriginal staff in the community sector, in-person consultations with the 2025 Australian Youth Representative to the United Nations and the quarterly Youth Voice NT Newsletter.

Youth Voice NT awarded the 2025 Youth Voice Grant to the CAAMA Digital Team, who documented the 2025 Desert Festival event Dream Big Hip Hop Workshops where young people learnt how to rap with the Bodega Collective and took part in a performance at Araluen Arts Centre where Miss Kaninna performed. Young voices continue to shape the future of the Territory and Youth Voice NT continues to support them.



Orlando and Caleb (CAAMA Digital Team) at the Dream Big Hip Hop Workshop.



Teacher and students at Centralian Senior College.



Youth Week 2026, Couch Conversations.



2025 Youth Parliament.



Janice Rodrigues (2026 Australian Youth Representative to the United Nations,) and Steph Burgess (Youth Voice) with young leaders at the NTCOSS Alice Springs Office.



Maddy and Dwyte (Federal Office for Youth) and Frances (Future Yayes) during the Office for Youth and Future Yayes consultation.



Youth Week 2026, Couch Surfing Darwin.

RAMF CHAMPIONS COORDINATOR

The RAMF Champion Project coordinates eight services across the NT to strengthen their responses to domestic and family violence. In June 2026, NTCOSS published the findings of its process evaluation of the RAMF Champions Implementation Project. The evaluation captures what helped services make change, the barriers they encountered and the practical lessons for strengthening DFV responses across diverse NT service and community contexts.

In collaboration with RAMF Champion organisations, we presented the findings to over 160 stakeholders via several online workshops.



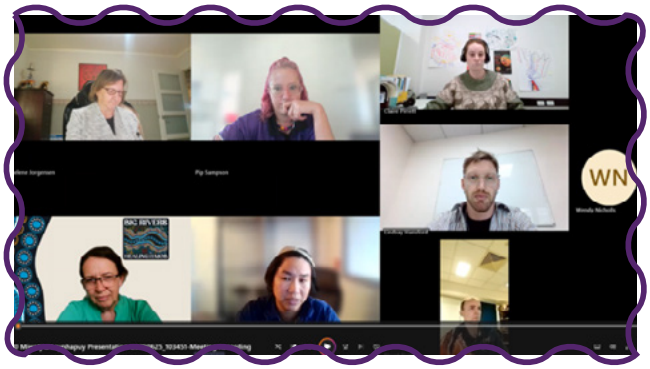
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Meg Wright (RAMF Coordinator) and RAMF Champions Litisha Baker and Jasmine Yunupinu (Yalu Aboriginal Corporation).



Meg Wright (RAMF Coordinator) and staff from Yalu Aboriginal Corporation.



Meg Wright (RAMF Coordinator) with RAMF Champions during the June Community of Practice session.



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NT COMMUNITY

NTCOSS, with funding from the NT Government Department of Children and Families, continues to develop and manage NTCommunity, the Territory's online community services directory.

In partnership with Refuel Creative, NTCOSS has continued to strengthen the directory through ongoing development and the implementation of feedback from community members and sector stakeholders.

Improvements to the platform's usability have enhanced the user experience, enabling people to find information more quickly and efficiently, reflected in reduced average session durations.

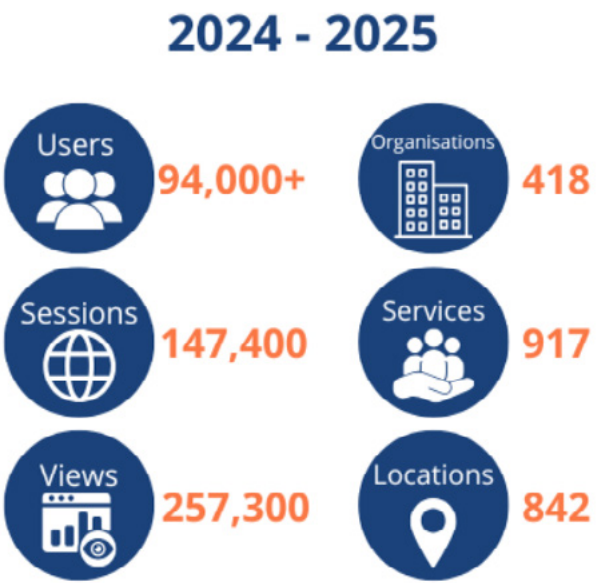
During 2025-26, NTCommunity recorded 118,100 users, an increase from 94,000 users in 2024-25, demonstrating the growing reliance on the directory as a trusted source of community service information.

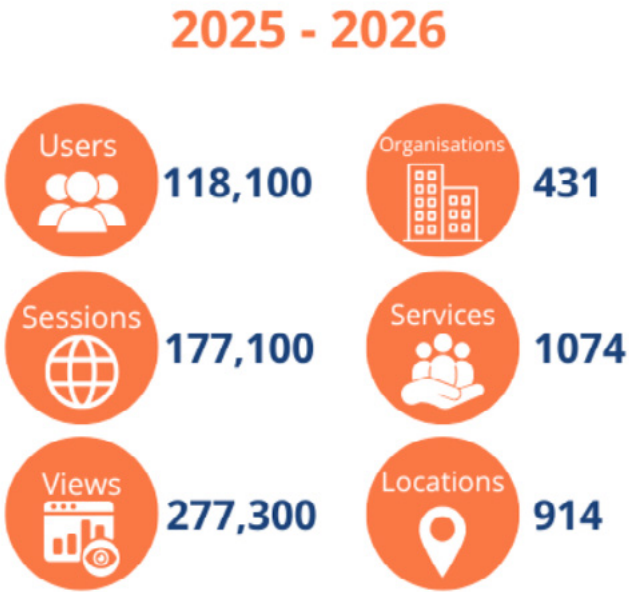
As of 30 June 2026, the directory provided access to information on 431 community organisations, delivering 1,074 services across 914 locations throughout the NT, helping connect individuals, families, and communities with the support they need.

Scan to visit ntcommunity.org.au or click here.









Policy and Advocacy

NTCOSS works with members, governments, and other stakeholders to develop and advocate for evidence informed social policy that supports a more equitable, just, and inclusive NT.

SOCIAL SECURITY AND COST OF LIVING

NTCOSS's core advocacy centres on ensuring all Territorians can meet their basic needs, and those experiencing disadvantage receive the support they need.

Key to this work is the production of six-monthly Cost of Living Reports. In October 2025, NTCOSS published a general update covering the key expenditure areas of housing, utilities and transport. In June 2026, NTCOSS partnered with NT Shelter to produce a housing focused factsheet alongside a general update of Utilities and Transport costs.

NTCOSS has continued to collaborate with the Australian Council of Social Service (ACOSS), and other key local partners such as the Central Land Council on key federal issues. We advocate for improvements to the social security system, particularly in areas that disproportionately affect Territorians including compulsory income management and the remote area allowance. NTCOSS also participates in national advocacy networks including the ACOSS Income Support and Employment Network, the ACOSS Poverty Research Network, and the Accountable Income Management Network.

Other related submissions included:

- Bus Safety Reform Strategy – NTG Department of Logistics and Infrastructure July 2025)
- Pre-Budget Submission

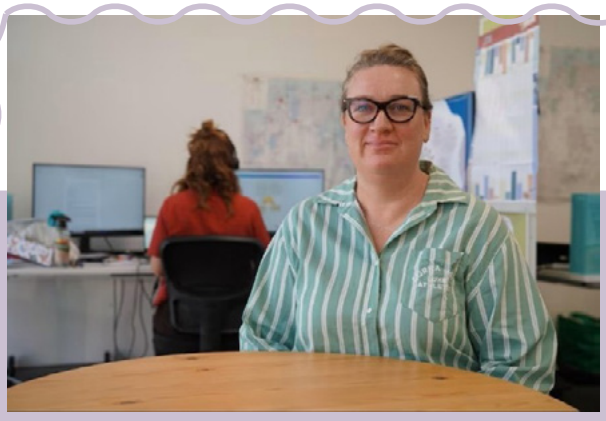


Cost of Living reports, October 2025: Housing report joint with NT Shelter, and Utilities and Transport Factsheet.





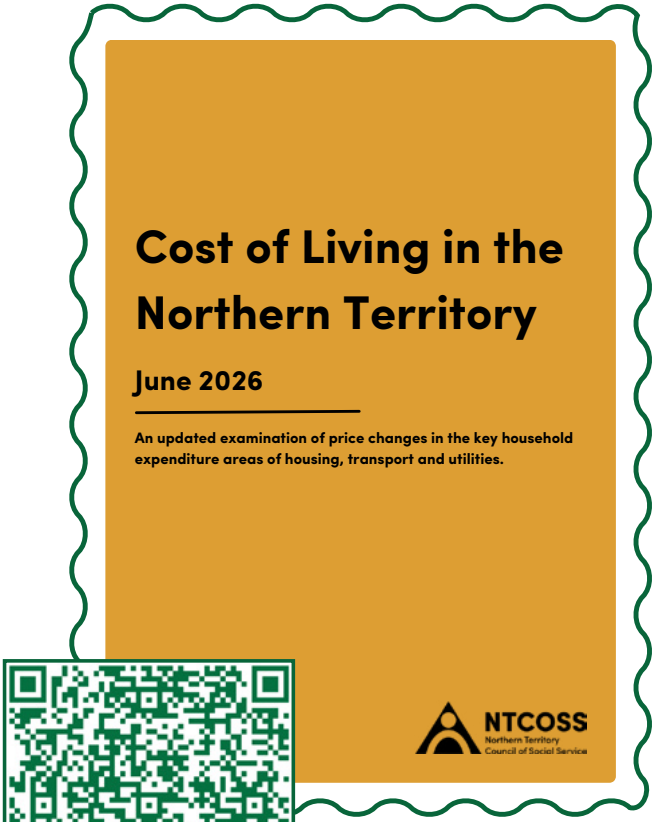
NTCOSS CEO, Sally Sievers, doing Cost of Living Media, October 2025 (Photo by Pema Tamang Pakhrin, NT News).



Claire Pirrett (Interim NTCOSS CEO), doing media for the June 2026 Cost of Living Report (photo by ABC).



Mollie Harding (NTCOSS) at the SAFCA Conference.



Cost of Living reports- June 2026: General update (Housing, Utilities and Transport).

Scan to read the report or click here.



Mollie Harding (NTCOSS) at the Progress Conference.

ENERGY ACCESSIBILITY AND CLIMATE ACTION

Access to reliable and affordable energy is a basic need. Yet many households in the NT, particularly in remote and very remote communities, cannot afford the power they need for safe, healthy, and comfortable living. NTCOSS continues to advocate for improved access to reliable and affordable energy for all Territorians, as well as climate justice.

NTCOSS works with services and stakeholders to identify and address the factors contributing to energy hardship. We convene the NT Utilities Network and participate in the Fair Access to Affordable Energy (NT) Working Group, the NT Climate Justice Alliance, the ACOSS Climate and Energy Policy Network and the Electrify Australia working group.

In 2025-26 NTCOSS contributed to and endorsed Original Power's Right to Power report and the second edition of Recharging the Territory. NTCOSS staff member Caitlin Perry spoke at the Energy Consumers Australia Foresighting Forum.

Other relevant submissions:

- NT Housing Strategy 2026 – NTG Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development



NTCOSS staff members Tate Soller and Caitlin Perry at NTCOSS Darwin office.



NTCOSS staff member Caitlin Perry (Right) at the NT Panel at the Energy Consumers Australia Foresighting Panel.



NTCOSS team riding their bikes to work.

DOMESTIC, FAMILY AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE

NTCOSS continued to support the NT DFSV sector this year. This support included a dedicated DFSV policy officer, who facilitated the NTCOSS DFSV Group, a centralised network of member DFSV service providers.

Together with members, NTCOSS remained a central mechanism to advocate to both the Territory and Australian government for the NT DFSV sector. This included participating in over 16 consultations on behalf of the sector.

NTCOSS coordinated the following submissions:

- Draft Refreshed Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Reduction Framework 2025 – 2028 - Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Prevention Division, NTG Department of Children and Families- 9 member co-signatories
- Inquiry into the relationship between domestic, family and sexual violence and suicide- House of Representatives, Standing Committee on Social Policy and Legal Affairs, Parliament – 7 member co-signatories
- DFSV Training and Resource Centre- Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Prevention Division, NTG Department of Children and Families- 10 member co-signatories
- DFSV Sector Strengthening Plan Consultation- First Nations Advocates Against Family Violence
- Care and Protection of Children Legislation Amendment (Every Child Matters) Bill 2026- Legislative Scrutiny Committee of the Northern Territory Parliament -15 member co-signatories



NTCOSS staff member Kaitlin Fitzpatrick (right) with the KWILS team at a 16 Days of Activism event.



NTCOSS staff member Kaitlin Fitzpatrick (right) at the Big Rivers 16 days of activism event with DFSV Commissioner Michaela Cronin and Assistant Commissioner Jenna Roberts.



NTCOSS's social media campaign for 16 Days of Activism.

Safety Measures

Safety Measures Project

NTCOSS continued its role as a partner in the multi-jurisdictional Safety Measures, a systemic level data project.

NTCOSS supported engagement with the NTCOSS DFSV Group and the broader specialist sector throughout the project. This included facilitating sector participation in project activities, contributing practice and service-system perspectives, and supporting the interpretation and sense-making of data to inform the project's published reports. NTCOSS' contribution helped ensure that the project drew on the knowledge and experience of services across the NT and that its findings reflected the realities of service delivery, including in regional and remote contexts.

SECTOR SUSTAINABILITY

NTCOSS advocates for a skilled, sustainable and equitable workforce. We continue to discuss the importance of adequately funding the sector and supporting capacity building and workforce development initiatives.

NTCOSS participates in a number of working groups including the COSS network SCHADS working group and the ACOSS GST Reform Working Group.

Submissions included:

- Workforce Development Strategy – Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations
- Gender Equality Strategy – Department of People, Sport and Culture
- Gender Underevaluation SCHADS Award Review – Fair Work Commission (Joint submission with the COSS network)
- Incorporated Associations Legislative Reform – Department of Trade, Business and Asian Relations

Other submissions

Pre-Budget Submission

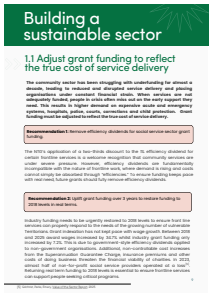
NTCOSS undertook significant consultation in developing our 2026-27 Pre-Budget Submission, which we delivered in December 2025.

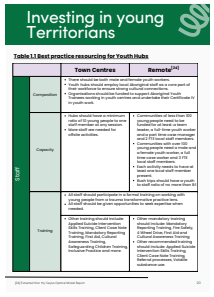
We engaged with 65 people across 42 NTCOSS member organisations to understand the priorities of the sector. These organisations ranged from small service providers to peak bodies and spanned an array of sectors and geographies.

The submission presented 26 actionable, cost-effective recommendations to Government, from immediate wins to structural reforms that aimed to address poverty and disadvantage in the NT.

You can read the full submission here.







Complete list of NTCOSS submissions

- Feedback on the Bus Safety Reform Strategy
- Economic Reform Roundtable
- Development of a Multicultural Strategy for the Northern Territory
- Grants Review Survey Question
- Draft Refreshed Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Reduction Framework 2025 – 2028
- Community Scrutiny Forum - Proposed changes to the Anti-Discrimination Act
- Inquiry into the relationship between domestic, family and sexual violence and suicide
- Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence (DFSV) Training and Resource Centre
- First Nations Advocates Against Family Violence- DFSV Sector Strengthening Plan Consultation
- Gender Equality Strategy
- Workforce Development Strategy
- Disability Strategy Action Plan
- Inquiring into Youth Justice and Incarceration system
- Gender Undervaluation- SCHADS Award Review
- NT Housing Strategy 2026
- Incorporated Associations Legislative Reform
- Care and Protection of Children Legislation Amendment (Every Child Matters) Bill 2026
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Tax Reform No. 1) Bill 2026 and Income Tax Rates Amendment (Tax Reform No. 1) Bill 2026

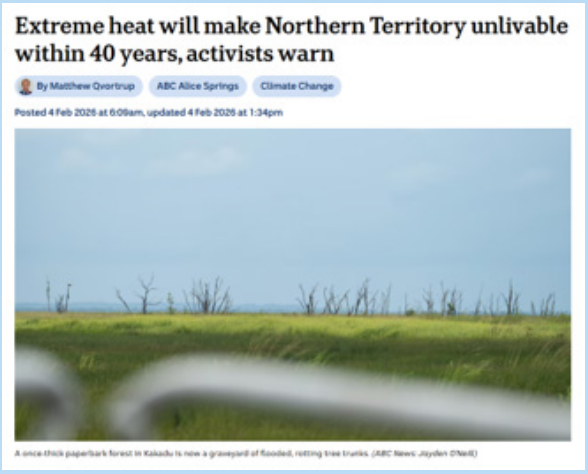
Communications and Media

NTCOSS acts as a trusted voice for the NT community sector. In 2025-26 year, we published media releases, opinion pieces and digital content promoting our policy and advocacy priorities for Territorians experiencing inequality and disadvantage. In 2025–26, we appeared in more than 40 news articles, radio programs and television segments. Our social media and LinkedIn content reached over 30,000 people and generated over 600 interactions.

We also continued to keep members and stakeholders informed through regular member alerts, CEO alerts and e-bulletins. Our website remains up to date with our latest reports, submissions, media releases, policy briefs, job opportunities and events.



NTCOSS Interim CEO, Claire Pirrett, in the ABC discussing the Cost of Living Reports.



ABC article with quote from NTCOSS staff member Caitlin Perry.

Snippets of NTCOSS in the news



Geoff Radford (NTMHC), Annie Taylor (NT Shelter), Sally Sievers (NTCOSS), Jayne Lloyd (Catholic Care NT), Craig Kelly (Anglicare NT) in the NT News discussing the NT Budget.



A snippet of NTCOSS' Instagram page.

Financial Reports

Statement of Financial Position

	2026 $	2025 $
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	771,971	869,166
Trade and other receivables	3,512	49,135
Investments	440,955	426,359
Other Assets	2,460	31,981
Total current assets	**1,218,898**	**1,376,641**
Non-current assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	557,803	593,878
Right-of-use assets	20,577	48,012
Total non-current assets	**578,380**	**641,890**
Total Assets	**1,797,278**	**2,018,531**
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Trade and Other payables	99,453	96,654
Lease liabilities	19,536	27,822
Employee benefits	150,977	135,748
Other financial liabilities	22,761	18,669
Total current liabilities	**292,727**	**278,893**
Non-current liabilities		
Lease liabilities	-	19,535
Employee benefits	19,649	15,881
Total non-current liabilities	**19,649**	**35,416**
Total Liabilities	**312,376**	**314,309**
Net assets	**1,484,902**	**1,704,222**
EQUITY		
Reserves	383,938	383,938
Retained earnings	1,100,964	1,320,284
Total Equity	**1,484,902**	**1,704,222**

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Income and Expenditure

	2026 $	2025 $
Revenue		
Revenue from grants	1,466,508	1,597,919
Other revenue	184,043	118,073
Finance income	14,929	14,071
Other income	17,784	36,083
	1,683,264	**1,766,146**
Expenses		
Employee benefits expense	1,424,363	1,300,125
IT Support	94,416	91,213
Depreciation and amortisation expense	63,511	44,905
Audit and accounting	12,310	25,526
Program expenses	4,084	30,906
Contract Trainers/Consultants	120,498	803,126
Travel & Accommodation	54,824	58,749
Subscriptions and memberships	19,170	16,444
Venue hire	1,913	1,658
Insurance	19,629	31,409
Other expenses	85,680	96,309
Finance costs	2,186	3,827
Total expenses	**1,902,584**	**2,504,197**
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	**(219,320)**	**(738,051)**
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	**(219,320)**	**(738,051)**

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