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National housing peak welcomes incoming Albanese government and solutions to housing

National Shelter, the peak body representing the housing interests of low-income households, congratulates Anthony Albanese and Labor on their election win.

Ms Emma Greenhalgh, Chief Executive Officer National Shelter said ‘We look forward to working with the incoming Albanese government to delivery it’s housing agenda. National Shelter and other housing and homelessness peaks have worked closely with Labor, through Jason Clare, while in opposition. We know the experience and knowledge they bring to this portfolio. We also acknowledge that the incoming Prime Minister grew up in public housing and understands the importance of secure and stable housing as the foundation of providing opportunities for all.’

Labor’s housing policy commitments included the construction of 30,000 social and affordable homes through the [Australian Housing Future Fund](#), the development of a national housing and homelessness strategy, establishing the [National Housing Supply and Affordability Council](#), and [restoring funding for First Nations housing](#).

‘We welcome the return to a joined-up policy framework for housing, and the return to leadership by a Commonwealth Government in this portfolio. This has been lacking for some time,’ Ms Greenhalgh continued.

‘We urge the incoming Labor government to work quickly on advancing these solutions to meet the magnitude of housing need being experienced in Australia right now. We also urge the incoming government to progress solutions to assist the 30% of Australians who are renting. The private rental market is failing so many Australians right now with distressing outcomes,’ says Ms Greenhalgh.

‘We would like to thank and acknowledge outgoing Prime Minister Scott Morrison, the outgoing Minister for Housing and Minister for Homelessness, Social and Community Housing, Michael Sukkar for their engagement,’ Ms Greenhalgh continued.

‘National Shelter also looks forward to continue to engage with MPs and Senators from all parties and independents, returning and new, about the current housing crisis and solutions,’ Ms Greenhalgh concluded.

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