

FOREWORD

This report summarises the Department of Local Government's funding programs for the 2000/2001 financial year. Its purpose is to provide recipients of local government assistance with insight into the allocation of grants, and to allow relative comparisons across the range of recipients.

Over recent years the Department of Local Government has implemented a number of changes to funding allocation processes aimed at providing a more equitable distribution of the NT Operational Subsidy, Minor Communities, Aboriginal Urban Living Areas, Capital Funding and Dump Funding Programs.

This Department sees the ongoing development and refinement of funding programs as essential and encourages all recipients of local government assistance to submit comments on any aspect of the grant allocation process, and discuss data input in relation to the delivery of local government services within their communities.

In presenting this report I extend my thanks to the officers of the Department of Local Government for their efforts towards the further development of local government throughout the Territory.

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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

This is the eleventh annual report on local government grant funding to be allocated to local governing bodies through the Department of Local Government during 2000/2001. The allocations are based upon recommendations made by the Department of Local Government for the distribution of funds provided under the Northern Territory Appropriation Act 1995/1996.

The Northern Territory Government is committed to strong, independent local government. This policy is based on the premise that services should be devolved to the level at which they can most effectively and efficiently be managed, and that local government is the appropriate sphere of administration for the delivery of these services.

There are two streams of local government within the Northern Territory:

- municipal government, which applies to the six major population centres; and
- community government, which provides for the local administration of small and remote communities throughout the Territory.

In addition to these incorporated local government authorities, the Department also provides funding and assistance to a number of “association” councils, special purpose towns, aboriginal urban living areas, minor communities and other organisations providing local government services to Territorians.

The Northern Territory Minister responsible for Local Government may recommend to the Commonwealth Minister responsible for Local Government, that an “association” council be declared to be a local governing body if it is providing local government type services. Such councils, if incorporated under the NT Associations Incorporation Act, are recognised as local governing bodies under that act and are required to comply with certain sections of the Local Government Act.

In all, there are 93 organisations receiving funding and other assistance from the Department of Local Government. These functions are undertaken in the belief that community self-management can best be achieved through local government, based on a suitable legislative framework and equitable funding programs.

A major aim of the Department of Local Government is to promote and extend local government to all Territorians while maximising the proficiency in community self-management through such governance. In addition, the Department also provides advice to Government on local government matters throughout the Northern Territory.

The Department of Local Government has a regionally based field service network which provides a client responsive advisory service on local government. Field officers assist each community in their strategic planning, management and resource allocation. Assistance is also given to communities, if requested, with local government training programs.

One of the Department's primary functions is to ensure the timely and equitable annual distribution of special purpose grants, operational subsidies and capital grants that facilitate local government and allow it to prosper and develop throughout the Northern Territory.

In publishing this report, the Department is also continuing the implementation of Recommendation 196 of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, which calls for an explanation of funding processes.

It should be noted that this Report deals only with funding provided by the Northern Territory to local government.

The Northern Territory Grants Commission prepares the recommendations for the distribution of Commonwealth Financial Assistance Grants to local governing bodies. These grants are endorsed and approved respectively by both the Territory and the Federal Ministers responsible for Local Government. In 2000/2001 the Northern Territory allocation through the NT Grants Commission totalled \$18.85M, comprising both untied financial assistance and local roads funding. The Grants Commission provides its own annual report which is available through Mr Ted Clark on telephone 899 98405.

The Department is implementing a wide ranging reform and development agenda for local government called the Next Step. These reforms aim to establish a more effective framework for governance and service delivery. Progressively, the methodology for distribution of all grant programs will be adjusted to complement reform objectives.

During 1999/2000, the Department achieved its stated aim of obtaining Cabinet Approval for the revised methodology for the calculation of the Northern Territory Operational Subsidy. The revised methodology has been applied to that program this year for the first time.

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CHAPTER 2

Program Funding Overview

During 2000/2001 the Local Government Division will make payments of special purpose grants and subsidies to 61 local governing bodies and 24 organisations involved in the provision of local government services. These grants and subsidies amount to \$40.96M.

A major portion (\$18.85M) of the Local Government Department's budget comprises the payment of \$9.33M in Commonwealth financial assistance and \$9.52M in Commonwealth local roads funding to the 67 recognised local governing bodies throughout the Northern Territory. In addition \$14.87M in Northern Territory operational subsidies is distributed to 61 local governing bodies, which excludes municipal councils and special purpose towns. The Department also administers \$1.8M through the Council Loan Program.

Further, the Department finances a Capital Funding Program which allocates tied grants totalling \$2.44M to non-municipal councils for capital items such as key staff housing, plant and equipment, office furniture, motor vehicles and council offices.

In previous years there have been additional allocations for the provision of establishment grants to communities which change their status from "association" councils to become incorporated under the Local Government Act as community government councils. In 2000/2001 there is no specific provision for grants to newly established community government councils. Each application for an establishment grant will be considered individually on its merits.

Other grants and subsidies are provided for such purposes as training of elected members and staff, animal control, provision of local government services on minor communities, maintenance of reserves, promotion and development of local government, accounting systems, audits, investigations and inquiries.

The 2000/2001 Program for grants and subsidies is as follows:-

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Commonwealth Financial Assistance and Road Funding	18,856,544
Loan Assistance	1,800,000
Northern Territory Operational Subsidy	14,879,482
Minor Communities Funding	634,671
Aboriginal Urban Living Areas Funding	800,000
Dump Funding	570,970
Capital Funding	2,446,535
Reserves and Other Organisations	743,562
Access Centres	128,000
Needs Based (Special Purpose Grants)	1,335,432
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	\$42,195,196
<u>Reconciliation of the Program with Budget Paper No. 2</u>	<u>\$000</u>
Local Government Funding as per Budget Paper No. 2	41,288
Increase in Financial Assistance and Road Grants	907
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2000/2001 Grants Program	\$42,195

The increase in the Commonwealth Financial Assistance and Road Funding will be ratified at the next Budget review in November 2000.

As Budget Paper No. 2 is finalised before the Commonwealth advises the allocation of FAGS for the coming year, the Department uses the previous years figure until actual funding confirmation is received.

CHAPTER 3**Northern Territory Operational Subsidy**

The Northern Territory Operational Subsidy provides the main financial support to non-municipal local governing bodies to assist them in the provision of local government services.

The funding level of \$14.87M is a substantial increase on the previous years funding of \$14.37M. The increase (\$500,000) is related to community population increases.

The Methodology for distribution of funds has been reviewed. On 18 April 2000 Cabinet approved the revised methodology for the distribution of the Operational Subsidy. The funds are still untied and are distributed in accordance with the new formula based on population that provides for:-

- removal of the current \$70,000 base grant;
- replacement of the current population based grant to an expenditure needs based grant;
- introduction of a distributed service delivery incentive to encourage councils to provide services over greater distances with the introduction of a variable pool of funds capped at \$1 million and distributed on the basis of road length and area of governance;
- the retention of the current method of distribution of the revenue raising incentive, but based on a subsidy of fifty cents in the dollar from a capped pool of \$1.5m; and
- the phasing-in of the revised grant allocations over three years to minimise financial hardship to councils.

Population used for this allocation are based on the population figures gathered by the Northern Territory Grants Commission by annual survey and have been settled by the Commissioners.

Appendix 1 outlines the population figures used to calculate the 2000/2001 grants.

Appendix 2 outlines the Distributed Service Delivery Indexes used to calculate the 2000/2001 grants.

The calculated grants are then adjusted in line with the total funding available for the program.

The distribution of the NT Operational Subsidy to the 61 community government councils and local governing bodies for 2000/2001 is shown below.

All grant recipients should note particularly, that this year is the first year in which changes will impact. The phasing in is intended as providing the time for local government bodies to address the need for reform. Changes to levels of funding in years 2 and 3 could be dramatic for some bodies depending on the progress of reform in other council areas.

OPERATIONAL SUBSIDY DISTRIBUTIONS

COUNCIL	2000/2001 GRANT	1999/2000 GRANT
Aherrenge	185,420	169,253
Ali Curung	159,224	161,491
Alpurrurulam	276,826	288,307
Amoonguna	100,153	103,722
Angurugu	327,402	319,337
Anmatjere	582,533	464,784
Aputula	143,368	144,047
Areyonga	153,337	157,292
Arltarlpilta	190,510	170,722
Barunga/Manyallaluk	222,066	223,375
Binjari	165,519	139,910
Borrooloola	312,091	323,955
Coomalie	453,450	409,441
Cox Peninsula	167,212	181,044
Daguragu/Kalkaringi	289,844	286,474
Elliott	248,488	254,448
Galiwinku	409,122	383,888
Gapuwiyak	290,164	272,388
Gulin Gulin/Weemol	142,698	144,890
Ikuntji	149,447	134,096
Imanpa	108,102	109,644
Jilkminggan	133,284	134,606
Kaltukatjara	167,811	163,409
Kardu Numida	501,453	487,843
Kunbarllanjnja	398,685	359,762
Lajamanu	397,559	393,035
Ltyentye Purte	238,684	232,612
Maningrida	386,248	410,375
Marngarr	206,894	194,250
Mataranka	165,584	162,051
Milikapiti	255,607	260,008
Milingimbi	242,123	246,724
Milyakburra	155,313	144,224
Minjilang	181,104	169,616
Naiyu Nambiyu	240,492	233,663

	2000/2001	1999/2000
COUNCIL	GRANT	GRANT
Nganmariyanga	164,834	167,170
Nguiu	527,756	520,050
Ntaria	177,537	173,965
Numbulwar	447,868	446,371
Nyirripi	163,128	160,100
Papunya	142,443	145,902
Peppimenarti	162,099	169,461
Pine Creek	228,597	225,422
Pirlangimpi	206,344	203,893
Ramingining	221,973	206,516
Tapatjatjaka	186,640	171,644
Timber Creek	172,360	157,696
Umbakumba	172,216	192,310
Urapuntja	306,953	269,219
Walangeri Ngumpinku	248,937	218,001
Wallace Rockhole	146,343	147,744
Walungurru	187,858	196,119
Warruwi	161,880	153,981
Watiyawanu	172,134	186,296
Willowra	179,840	171,862
Wugularr	248,044	245,993
Yirrkala	227,273	234,336
Yuelamu	138,963	139,629
Yuendumu	437,294	404,458
Yugul Mangi	546,104	475,974

Total	\$14,879,482	\$14,379,482
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CHAPTER 4

Minor Communities Program

The Minor Communities Program provides assistance to those smaller organisations delivering local government services that are not eligible for assistance under either the Northern Territory Operational Subsidy Program or the Commonwealth's Financial Assistance Program.

Minor Community Program grants are also calculated on the basis of a methodology basis.

The total program funding for 2000/2001 is \$634,671.

In calculating a grant for each community, the Department takes into account four major factors. They are:

- base grant of \$70,000 per community;
- a population grant of \$168 per capita;
- a dispersion factor calculated on the number of communities that the organisation is serving that have a population over 40; and
- loss assist factor, to ensure that no council suffers a grant loss greater than 5% compared to the previous year.

Assistance to other minor communities which are moving toward local government incorporation may be available at ministerial discretion through Special Purpose Grants.

All recipients of funding under this Program have been advised that it is under review and that a much closer link is now required between funding provision and the delivery of local government services.

It is proposed that the future of funding of Minor Communities will be addressed in the Local Government Reform Agenda.

The 2000/2001 funding levels for the 12 minor communities are shown below.

MINOR COMMUNITY	2000/2001 GRANT	1999/2000 GRANT
Bawinanga	125,728	125,695
Daly Waters	8,963	9,020
Demed	59,164	59,149
Gulin Gulin R/C	37,661	37,651
Julalikari Burumana	99,893	99,867
Larrimah	8,922	9,026
Mabunji	54,884	54,869
Mungkata	35,250	35,240
Murin	39,314	39,304
Ngaliwurru-Wuli	86,126	86,104
Owairtilla	42,483	42,472
Thangkenharenge	36,283	36,274
Total	\$634,671	\$634,671

CHAPTER 5

Aboriginal Urban Living Areas

In each of the major municipal centres there are organisations servicing both resident and visitor Aboriginal populations. These Aboriginal Urban Living Area (AULA) organisations are commonly known as “town camp” organisations. The Department has an interest in the delivery of local government services within these areas.

In keeping with the principles of equity, the Department has developed a methodology to determine the funding relativities for each AULA organisation.

In calculating a grant for each AULA organisation, the Department has taken into account four major factors as follows:-

- base grant of \$70,000 per town camp organisation;
- a population grant of \$168 per capita; and
- a distance disability factor; and
- a level of loss assistance to ensure no organisation loses greater than 5% of its previous grant.

The 2000/2001 funding levels for the 6 AULA organisations are shown below.

COMMUNITY	2000/2001 GRANT	1999/2000 GRANT
A.D.F.	79,250	77,771
Bagot	108,220	106,200
Gwalwa Daraniki	74,505	73,115
Julalikari	202,688	198,905
Kalano	125,910	123,560
Tangentyere	209,427	220,449
Total	\$800,000	\$800,000

CHAPTER 6

Capital Funding Program

The local government capital infrastructure deficiency throughout all communities in the Northern Territory has been recognised over a long period. For this reason the Department continues to support the Capital Funding Program.

The Northern Territory Government has supplied a total of \$29.74M over the past thirteen years. Some of the infrastructure needs of councils addressed by this program include council offices and workshops, office furniture and equipment, key staff housing and essential operation plant and equipment.

While there have been significant advances made during this period, considerable development is still necessary to ensure that the infrastructure within all communities is raised to an acceptable standard. However, it is unlikely that Territory resources alone will be adequate for this task.

Funding for 2000/2001 totals \$2.44M. Compared to last years allocation the level of funding has been reduced by an amount of \$54,000. This \$54,000 reduction relates specifically to GST savings. The GST saving was as a result of financial modelling performed by Treasury that indicated an overall saving by local government on the cost of performing some services.

Funds are allocated to every community on an annual basis using a simple formula which takes into account:

- a base grant of \$30,000 base grant; and
- an allocation of \$168 per capita based on the population of each community.

This method of distribution enables communities to embark on accurate forward planning as councils can anticipate approximate grant allocations for future years.

Communities are informed of their notional allocation early in the financial year. Communities are requested to submit applications for capital items they wish to purchase to the Department of Local Government for approval prior to the release of these funds. This ensures that capital infrastructure expenditure is consistent with each community's objectives and financial management plan for the year.

The Department will continue to assist councils with financial management of capital funds. It will also assist in identifying their capital requirements, where a request for such assistance is made, as well as identifying other sources of funding that may be available.

Appendix 1 outlines the population figures used to calculate the 2000/2001 grants. The 2000/2001 Capital funding levels are outlined below.

CAPITAL FUNDING DISTRIBUTIONS

COUNCIL	2000/2001 GRANT	1999/2000 GRANT
Aherrenge	36,368	37,201
Ali Curung	37,411	38,217
Alpurrurulam	41,747	41,796
Amoonguna	34,298	34,492
Angurugu	44,346	46,048
Anmatjere	53,456	55,461
Aputula	33,398	34,474
Areyonga	34,227	34,675
Arltarlpilta	33,788	34,200
Barunga/Manyallaluk	39,003	39,556
Belyuen	34,117	34,504
Binjari	34,194	34,376
Borrooloola	44,383	45,734
Coomalie	54,938	56,824
Cox Peninsula	34,117	34,675
Daguragu/Kalkaringi	41,797	43,026
Elliott	40,133	41,212
Galiwinku	56,318	57,224
Gapuwiyak	47,020	48,058
Gulin Gulin/Weemol	35,632	36,044
Ikuntji	32,959	33,281
Imanpa	32,487	32,611
Jilkminggan	33,211	33,427
Kaltukatjara	35,956	36,196
Kardu Numida	63,101	65,680
Kunbarllanjnja	47,226	49,511
Lajamanu	48,164	49,824

	2000/2001	1999/2000
COUNCIL	GRANT	GRANT
Ltyenye Purte	39,359	40,341
Maningrida	63,069	62,290
Marngarr	36,297	36,103
Mataranka	34,595	34,827
Milikapiti	38,004	38,874
Milingimbi	43,186	44,778
Milyakburra	33,815	34,169
Minjilang	33,892	34,121
Naiyu Nambiyu	37,597	38,345
Nganmarriyanga	35,988	36,530
Nguiu	53,259	55,491
Ntaria	39,716	40,774
Numbulwar	48,993	50,391
Nyirripi	34,957	35,466
Papunya	35,006	35,588
Peppimenarti	33,887	34,553
Pine Creek	39,453	40,694
Pirlangimpi	35,544	36,117
Ramingining	40,431	40,615
Tapatjatjaka	33,892	34,608
Timber Creek	33,974	34,279
Umbakumba	37,550	38,850
Urapuntja	44,492	45,947
Walangeri Ngumpinku	37,811	38,193
Wallace Rockhole	32,635	32,922
Walungurru	37,153	38,174
Warruwi	36,014	36,744
Watiyawanu	34,282	34,930
Willowra	37,334	37,986
Wugularr	39,392	40,621
Yirrkala	44,986	46,312
Yuelamu	33,733	35,061
Yuendumu	47,621	50,622
Yugul Mangi	54,823	56,892

Total	\$2,446,535	\$2,500,535
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CHAPTER 7

Dump Funding Program

The Department of Local Government distributes Dump funding to communities and resource centres throughout the Northern Territory to enable them to provide and maintain local dumps.

Funds are distributed on a methodological basis that is population driven to ensure that each recipient council receives an equitable share of the funds commensurate with its responsibilities. Population figures for Dump funding allocation takes into consideration the impact of tourists on various communities.

In calculating the grants, the Department took into consideration four factors. They are:

- a base grant of \$7,500;
- a population grant of \$168 per capita;
- the application of a cost index; and
- the application of a dispersion index; ie numbers of dumps maintained by individual communities.

Communities are advised of their funding allocation early in the financial year. If all previous acquittals are complete, then funding is made available immediately.

The total Dump Funding Program for 2000/2001 is \$570,970, the same as last year.

The break up of funding allocations are set out below.

DUMP FUNDING DISTRIBUTIONS

COUNCIL	2000/2001 GRANT	1999/2000 GRANT
Aherrenge	6,104	6,104
Ali Curung	5,910	5,910
Alpurrurulam	9,706	10,228
Amoonguna	3,646	3,623
Angurugu	12,183	11,753
Anmatjere	29,144	28,774
Aputula	3,530	3,562
Areyonga	3,780	3,756
Arltarlpilta	3,892	4,381
Barunga/Manyallaluk	6,485	7,010
Belyuen	3,360	3,361
Binjari	3,396	3,157
Borrooloola	11,140	11,401
Coomalie	24,660	23,999
Cox Peninsula	3,281	3,281
Daguragu/Kalkaringi	9,476	9,302
Daly Waters	737	737
Elliott	7,678	7,679
Galiwinku	21,143	20,744
Gapuwiyak	13,473	13,226
Gulin Gulin/Weemol	5,183	5,183
Ikuntji	2,556	3,293
Imanpa	2,326	2,326
Jilkminggan	2,813	2,813
Julalikari Burumana	11,626	11,627
Kaltukatjara	5,573	6,067
Kardu Numida	28,606	26,261
Kunbarllanjnja	14,298	13,399
Lajamanu	14,659	15,311
Larrimah	713	713
Ltyenye Purte	7,356	7,237
Mabunji	8,302	8,303
Maningrida	26,416	27,747

COUNCIL	2000/2001 GRANT	1999/2000 GRANT
Mataranka	3,714	3,691
Milikapiti	6,553	6,554
Milingimbi	13,563	13,564
Milyakburra	3,319	3,841
Minjilang	3,681	3,681
Naiyu Nambiyu	6,197	6,137
Ngaliwurru- Wuli	7,365	7,366
Nganmarriyanga	5,440	5,331
Nguiu	17,617	16,625
Ntaria	7,702	7,703
Numbulwar	16,967	16,968
Nyirripi	6,171	6,083
Owairtilla	2,923	2,923
Papunya	4,492	4,168
Peppimenarti	3,449	3,710
Pine Creek	7,626	7,421
Pirlangimpi	4,536	4,536
Ramingining	8,663	8,403
Tapatjatjaka	3,306	3,268
Thangkenharenge	2,016	2,016
Timber Creek	3,618	3,618
Umbakumba	8,395	8,395
Urapuntja	17,325	17,326
Walangeri Ngumpinku	8,286	7,083
Wallace Rockhole	2,334	2,334
Walungurru	7,253	7,298
Warruwi	5,392	5,274
Watiyawanu	3,841	3,841
Willowra	6,179	6,179
Wugularr	6,185	7,703
Yirrkala	11,425	11,800
Yuelamu	2,631	3,181
Yuendumu	19,573	21,448
Yugul Mangi	20,082	19,233

Total	\$570,970	\$570,970
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CHAPTER 8

Summary

Over recent years there has been a progressive refinement of grant allocation processes. In particular, there has been a transition from a largely subjective grant assessment to an objectively derived basis for determination of most grants.

The major advantages to client groups with this change in grant assessment is a greater consistency and predictability in the allocation of funds. This is, of course, essential for forward planning and effective future development of local government in the Territory.

The Department aims, where possible, to achieve greater equity and efficiency in the allocation of funds. While it is appreciated that some communities may have difficulty with future funding levels, it is considered that a formula based methodology will allow councils to plan and develop more effectively in the future, whilst providing a greater degree of equity in funding distribution.

Councils and organisations should continue to target funds to areas which result in effective service delivery to residents. Local government has a responsibility to deliver more effective services in an efficient manner and should plan to do this in an environment where external sources of funding are not increasing.

In recent years, it is apparent that despite the steady availability of total funding, there have been few major increases in funding allocations to councils, local governing bodies and other organisations. There is continued pressure for the extension of the “user pays” principle in council operations. The response to this pressure, and to the incentive component of the Northern Territory Operational Subsidy Program, continues to be positive.

The Department has an ongoing commitment to review its local government funding programs, and welcomes any comments or suggestions for improvement from the local government industry. The review of Territory funding schemes was intended to reaffirm their continued appropriateness, relevance and effectiveness in the context of the Department’s strategic planning objectives, and in line with the Local Government Reform and Development Agenda.

The revised methodology for the calculation of grants has been introduced from the beginning of the 2000/2001 financial year. Population figures used in the calculation of the

grants have been determined by the Northern Territory Grants Commission.

The Reform and Development Agenda (RADA) for Local Government is now under way.

The objective of RADA is for viable, effective, accountable and responsive councils. There are five areas where changes will occur;

- council structures,
- planning and performance reporting,
- training of councillors and staff,
- funding and
- communication.

Some of the major changes that can be expected include;

- fewer, larger and more sustainable councils,
- local government constitutions which take into account traditional decision making structures where this is desired,
- better and more reliable services,
- transparent council planning, financial and reporting processes,
- more competent councillors and staff,
- funding tied to achieving reform objectives and
- more use of electronic communications in assisting service delivery.

APPENDIX 1

Population (Including related service populations)

(Calculated to the 30th June for each year)

Community	Calculated Population			3 Year	Out/Station	Adjusted	Tourist	Total
	1998	1999	2000	Ave.Pop	Pop.	Pop.	Pop.	
Aherrenge	320	330	330	327	120	60	0	387
Ali Curung	450	450	450	450	30	0	0	450
Alice Springs	27,519	27,932	28,712	28,054	0	0	1,737	29,791
Alpurrurulam	700	740	700	713	21	0	0	713
Amoonguna	235	273	275	261	75	0	0	261
Angurugu	810	857	890	852	119	57	0	910
Anmatjere	1,400	1,427	1,446	1,424	0	0	11	1,435
Aputula	273	174	172	206	0	0	0	206
Areyonga	256	256	258	257	0	0	0	257
Arltarpilta	275	278	242	265	0	0	1	266
Barunga/Manyallaluk	500	570	524	31	0	0	1	532
Belyuen	250	250	250	250	0	0	0	250
Binjari	250	246	268	255	0	0	0	255
Borrooloola	810	830	810	817	378	57	18	891
Coomalie	1,472	1,514	1,557	1,514	0	0	42	1,557
Cox Peninsula	264	243	243	250	0	0	2	252
Daguragu/Kalkaringi	675	700	714	696	40	20	0	716
Darwin	71,079	72,572	72,580	72,077	0	0	505	72,582
Elliott	650	598	598	615	0	0	12	627
Galiwinku	1,404	1,616	1,648	1,556	160	53	0	1,609
Gapuwiyak	969	970	989	976	230	58	0	1,034
Gulin Gulin/Weemol	320	353	353	342	0	0	0	342
Ikuntji	219	160	160	180	59	0	0	180
Imanpa	120	150	150	140	11	11	0	151
Jabiru	1,880	1,880	1,901	1,887	0	0	273	2,160
Jilkminggan	181	202	202	195	0	0	0	195
Kaltukatjara	350	385	350	362	0	0	0	362
Kardu Numida	1,910	1,970	2,150	2,010	42	0	0	2,010
Katherine	10,928	10,928	11,290	11,049	0	0	351	11,399
Kunbarlanjaja	1,010	1,028	1,100	1,046	421	0	0	1,046
Lajamanu	1,081	1,130	1,080	1,097	12	6	0	1,103
Litchfield	14,400	14,827	15,094	14,774	0	0	205	14,979

Community	Calculated Population			3 Year Ave.Pop	Out/Station Pop.	Adjusted Pop.	Tourist Pop.	Total
	1998	1999	2000					
Ltyentye Purte	573	561	571	568	0	0	0	569
Maningrida	1,700	2,084	1,982	1,922	717	86	1	2,009
Marngarr	329	329	305	321	220	0	0	321
Mataranka	277	279	281	279	0	0	89	368
Milikapiti	498	480	480	486	26	0	1	487
Milingimbi	754	824	824	801	119	0	0	801
Milyakburra	235	250	210	232	0	0	0	232
Minjilang	209	250	250	236	50	0	0	236
Naiuiyu Nambiyu	441	469	474	461	16	0	0	462
Nganmarriyanga	341	348	356	348	61	15	0	364
Nguiu	1,400	1,413	1,500	1,438	0	0	3	1,441
Ntaria	570	600	600	590	0	0	0	590
Numbulwar	1,050	1,205	1,205	1,153	0	0	0	1,153
Nyirripi	298	300	305	301	15	0	0	301
Palmerston	16,569	19,569	21,834	19,324	0	0	0	19,324
Papunya	266	289	315	290	28	14	0	304
Peppimenarti	248	240	220	236	78	0	0	236
Pine Creek	492	606	624	574	0	0	20	594
Pirlangimpi	335	335	335	335	0	0	0	335
Ramingining	512	600	620	577	280	70	0	647
Tapatjatjaka	191	217	220	209	54	27	0	236
Tennant Ck	3,800	3,856	3,913	3,856	0	0	100	3,956
Timber Creek	234	245	245	241	0	0	60	302
Umbakumba	450	450	450	450	60	43	0	493
Urapuntja	880	880	880	880	0	0	0	880
Walangeri Ngumpinku	434	503	486	474	0	0	0	474
Wallace Rockhole	160	160	160	160	0	0	14	174
Walungurru	400	453	450	434	12	0	0	434
Warruwi	350	360	369	360	11	6	0	365
Watiyawanu	280	250	250	260	50	0	0	260
Willowra	436	450	450	445	30	0	0	445
Wugularr	511	600	473	528	4	0	0	528
Yirrkala	800	900	870	857	300	60	1	917
Yuelamu	210	210	166	195	95	31	0	227
Yuendumu	1,110	1,100	1,000	1,070	0	0	0	1,070
Yugul Mangi	1,489	1,495	1,563	1,516	0	0	0	1,516
Total	181,792	188,999	192,722	187,838	3,944	673	3,451	191,961

APPENDIX 2

**Northern Territory Operational Subsidy Distributed Service Delivery
Incentive Index**

Community	Distributed Service Delivery Incentive Index
Aherrenge	1.231
Ali Curung	1.000
Alpurrurulam	1.000
Amoonguna	1.000
Angurugu	1.000
Anmatjere	1.500
Aputula	1.000
Areyonga	1.000
Arltarlpilta	1.079
Barunga/Manyallaluk	1.000
Belyuen	1.000
Binjari	1.000
Borrooloola	1.000
Coomalie	1.003
Cox Peninsula	1.000
Daguragu/Kalkaringi	1.000
Elliott	1.000
Galiwinku	1.000
Gapuwiyak	1.000
Gulin Gulin/Weemol	1.000
Ikuntji	1.000
Imanpa	1.000
Jilkminggan	1.000
Kaltukatjara	1.000
Kardu Numida	1.000
Kunbarllanjnja	1.000
Lajamanu	1.000
Ltyentye Purte	1.000
Maningrida	1.000
Marngarr	1.000
Mataranka	1.000
Milikapiti	1.000

Community	Distributed Service Delivery Incentive Index
Milingimbi	1.000
Milyakburra	1.000
Minjilang	1.000
Naiyu Nambiyu	1.000
Nganmarriyanga	1.000
Nguiu	1.000
Ntaria	1.000
Numbulwar	1.000
Nyirripi	1.000
Papunya	1.000
Peppimenarti	1.000
Pine Creek	1.000
Pirlangimpi	1.000
Ramingining	1.000
Tapatjatjaka	1.000
Timber Creek	1.000
Umbakumba	1.000
Urapuntja	1.279
Walangeri Ngumpinku	1.385
Wallace Rockhole	1.000
Walungurru	1.000
Warruwi	1.000
Watiyawanu	1.000
Willowra	1.000
Wugularr	1.000
Yirkala	1.000
Yuelamu	1.000
Yuendumu	1.000
Yugul Mangi	1.103