



**MEDIA RELEASE**

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**National Shelter welcomes Federal funding**

Chairperson of National Shelter, Adrian Pisarski, welcomes the federal government's announcement of funding for National Shelter.

Mr Pisarski said that this funding will assist National Shelter to provide advice and develop policy responses which include tenant and housing consumer perspectives.

"Without funding over the last decade, our capacity to effectively represent consumers has been limited," Mr Pisarski said.

"In receiving this funding over the next two years, we hope to take on a much more active role in advocacy ensuring a consumer perspective is considered at all government levels," he continued.

"We look forward to working more closely with Minister Plibersek and other members of Government for improved housing outcomes for low income Australians."

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