The Territory's ethnic groups will benefit from a $164,500 Government grant to Territory community radio station Top FM, Communications Minister Paul Henderson announced today.

“Top FM provides a valuable Territory wide service, broadcasting to the Territory's capital city, towns and regional and remote centres,” Mr Henderson said.

“The station broadcasts programs in more than 20 languages each week, including Filipino, Portuguese, Indonesian, Greek, Chinese, Italian and Sri Lankan.

“The Martin Government values the important contribution to the Territory community made by the NT's many ethnic groups, and I am pleased this grant will assist in continuing this radio service to the Territory's multi-cultural community.”

Established in 1981, Top FM was the first Territory radio station to broadcast 24 hours a day.

The community radio station is based at Charles Darwin University, and employs five Territorians and has 120 volunteers.

“I wish Top FM continued success,” said Mr Henderson.