Territory families are the big winners from CLP hard work - $6M for Child Care Centres

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Country Liberal Party Leader Denis Burke today announced that Territory families and children will be the big winners in the Federal government’s allocation of nearly $6 million for 24 childcare projects throughout the Territory.

Mr Burke said, “The Country Liberal Party sitting MLA’s and local candidates have brought concerns to myself with which I have lobbied the Federal government hard over the previous months to ensure that local towns and communities will receive the funding under the Commonwealth Child Care Support Program.”

Mr Burke said the funding will benefit communities and towns from Alice Springs to Bathurst Island.

“The local Country Liberal Party MLA’s and candidates have been working very hard on the ground, talking to local communities to make sure that the Federal government provided these funds. The unique size and scope of the Territory means that it is vital that local members are out and about talking to people and it is a great reward for their hard work,” Mr Burke said.

Projects range from improving or modifying existing buildings to employing more staff, buying toys and providing mobile child care centres and replacement vehicles.

The kids of remote and rural communities will receive $1,208,718 through worthwhile projects while $4.79 million more will flow to places in need in the Territory via recurrent grants between now and 2007.

“The Country Liberal Party is committed to helping remote and rural communities and I am very proud that our local MLA’s and candidates are out in the towns talking and listening to the communities.

“They have provided me with on-the-ground information that I have then taken to the Federal government. The Coalition has listened to our real concerns and has acted, providing the funds for real improvements to child care in the Territory. “The Country Liberal Party is the only true Territory party and the fact that we are able to directly take our concerns and issues straight to the Federal government and that they will listen and act is only in the best interests of all Territorians.”

“This is a perfect example of the fact that only a Country Liberal Party government can work with the Federal government to secure real benefits for all Territorians.”
Attached is a breakdown of funding approvals by location.

**BREAKDOWN OF FUNDING APPROVALS BY LOCATION**

**ALICE SPRINGS AREA**

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Project: Extend service delivery to the proposed new indigenous child care services in the Central Australia Region.

Ampe Kenthe Apmere (Congress Child Care Centre – MACS)
One-off: $15,000
Project: Modify, improve or repair existing premises

Yipirinya School Council Inc
One-off: $3,000
Project: Modify, improve or repair existing premises

Aboriginal Corporation OSHC Program Yuendumu
Recurrent: 04/05: $33,103
05/06: $99,310
06/07: $99,310
Project: Meet increased community demand for outside school hours care and vacation care in Yuendumu.

Ali Curung Innovative Children's Service
One-off: $110,000
Recurrent: 04/05: $23,333
05/06: $70,000
06/07: $70,000
Project: Set-up and operational funding for an Aboriginal playgroup; capital funding to provide infrastructure for service.

Apatula Community Council
One-off: $110,000
Recurrent: 04/05: $23,333
05/06: $70,000
06/07: $70,000
Project: Set-up and operational funding for an Aboriginal playgroup/early childhood service.

Eastern Plenty – Innovative Mobile Early Childhood Service
One-off: $145,000
Recurrent funding: 04/05: $65,000
05/06: $260,000
06/07: $260,000
Project: Provide integrated mobile playgroup and pre-school service in partnership with NT Department of Education and Employment.

Imanpa Community Incorporated
One-off: $3,859
Recurrent: 04/05: $23,333
05/06: $70,000
06/07: $70,000
Project: Set-up and operational funding for a 30 place after-school care and vacation care program.

Urapuntja Community Council
One-off: $145,000
Recurrent: 04/05: $55,000
AMPILATWATJA
One-off: $3,859
Recurrent: 04/05: $23,333
05/06: $70,000
06/07: $70,000
Project: Provide innovative outside school hours care and vacation care service.

BATCHelor AREA
Year Childcare Centre (MACS)
One-off: $15,000
Project: Modify, improve or repair existing premises.

BATHURST ISLAND
Tiwi Island Local Government
One-off: $8,000
Recurent: 04/05: $49,213
05/06: $118,110
06/07: $118,110
Project: Set-up and operational funding for a 60-place after-school care and vacation care program in the Nguiu Community.

Tiwi Island Local Government
One-off: $4,000
Recurent: 04/05: $31,619
05/06: $75,805
06/07: $75,805
Project: Set-up and operational funding for a 30-place after-school care and vacation care program in the Pirlangimpi Community.

DARWIN AREA
Milingimbi Community Inc
One-off: $8,000
Recurent: 04/05: $49,213
05/06: $118,110
06/07: $118,110
Project: Set-up and operational funding for a 60-place after-school care and vacation care program.

Thamarrur Council Wadeye
One-off: $150,000
Recurent: 05/06: $140,000
06/07: $140,000
Project: Inisital set-up and ongoing funding to establish an innovative childcare service appropriate for the needs of the Wadeye Community.

ELLIOTT
Gurungu Council Aboriginal Corporation
One-off: $3,000
Project: Modify, repair or improve existing premises.

HUMPTY DooO
Smile a Mile Fun Bus and Toy Library
Additional Recurrent Funding: 04/05: $3,883
05/06: $9,320
06/07: $9,320
Project: Extend mobile/toy library service to isolated communities of Snake Bay and
Garden Point.

KATHERINE
Katherine Isolated Children's Service
Additional Recurrent Funding: 04/05: $53,750
05/06: $129,000
06/07: $129,000
Project: Employ staff to provide a second mobile service to Katherine and extensive surrounding areas outside Katherine.

Katherine Toy Library
One-off: $10,000
Recurrent: 04/05: $2,639
05/06: $6,334
06/07: $6,334
Project: One-off funds to purchase toys; capital funding to improve premises. Recurrent funding to attract more members and gain additional income.

Na Wulg Wulg Family Centre
One-off: $32,000
Project: Vehicle replacement.

Na Wulg Wulg Family Centre
One-off $15,000
Project: Modify, improve or repair existing premises.

Alawa Aboriginal Corporation
One-off: $4,000
Recurrent: 04/05: $31,619
05/06: $75,885
06/07: $75,885
Project: Set-up and operational funding for a 30-place after-school care and vacation care program located in the Minyeri Community.

MATARANKA
Jilkminggan Community Government Council
One-off: $4,000
Recurrent: 04/05: $31,619
05/06: $75,885
06/07: $75,885
Project: Set-up and operational funding for a 30-place after-school care and vacation care program located in the Jilkminggan Community.

MUTITJULU
One-off: $100,000
Project: Centre-based long day care centre.
** $350,000 was previously funded for this project. Costs have increased and the project has a shortfall of $100,000.

KINTORE
One-off: $250,000
Recurrent: 04/05: $20,833
05/06: $100,000
06/07: $100,000
Project: Long day care service. Costs have increased since approval, resulting in shortfall of $250,000.

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