



MEDIA RELEASE
Amanda Rishworth
Federal Member for Kingston

**Social housing construction supports vital jobs in
Kingston**

The Federal Member for Kingston, Amanda Rishworth has welcomed today's announcement that 20 new social housing dwellings will be built in the electorate of Kingston.

This commitment will total \$6,110,900 million dollars and is part of Stage 1 of the social housing stimulus component of the Australian Government's Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan.

"The Australian government has moved quickly to provide a stimulus to the local economy - fast-tracking projects so that building work on new social housing dwellings can begin immediately," Ms Rishworth said.

"This is great news for local jobs and the local economy".

These new social housing dwellings will be ready for tenants to move into by June 2010.

"This means new homes for struggling families, age pensioners and people with a disability."

"It will also support critical jobs for builders and tradies, including apprenticeships. This has a positive flow on effect to suppliers, small businesses and local economies"

"It also means we are providing more housing for people who need it the most – helping to meet the Australian Government's commitment to halve homelessness by 2020."

More homes will also be built under Stage 2 of the social housing stimulus plan to be announced later this year.