

WCS and BCS selected to deliver Human Services Gateway

Canberra, 24 May 2016 – ACT Minister for Housing, Community Services and Social Inclusion, Yvette Berry announced today that the partnership of Woden Community Service (WCS) and Belconnen Community Service (BCS) has been selected to deliver the Human Services Gateway from 1 July 2016.

This initiative will receive \$4.4 million in funding from the ACT Government over three years and will link people with services such as housing, disability and family support. It will offer assistance as simply and quickly as possible so people can focus on dealing with the challenges in their lives and getting things back on track.

“We are looking forward to the opportunity of delivering this service together with BCS and working with the broader community services sector as well as government to deliver better outcomes for people,” said CEO of WCS, Chris Redmond.

“We will work with people to identify the assistance they require then link them to the most appropriate services to assist them and reduce the need for them to repeat their stories to multiple service providers,” said acting CEO of BCS, Jenelle Tinham.

WCS and BCS have a history of joint delivery of services that spans ten years. Both organisations were involved in the development of the Human Services Gateway over the past three years. They were also part of the consortium that delivered the Child Youth and Family Gateway over the past three and a half years.

WCS and BCS have been collaborating at Nature Conservation House for the past five years through delivery of the Supportive Tenancy Service. Each organisation has a track record spanning decades of extensive service delivery across the ACT.

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