

Media Release

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NCCH TO MANAGE TEMPORARY HOUSING VILLAGES FOR FLOOD AFFECTED LOCALS

NCCH has been appointed by the NSW Government to manage the first temporary housing site in Wollongbar that will provide temporary homes for up to 220 people displaced from the floods.

The site will initially include a mix of caravans and self-contained Minderoo Foundation Recovery Pods who partnered with the NSW Government 50:50 to provide the pods as temporary housing for those who lost their homes after the 2019-2020 Bushfires.

The pods will be connected to power, water and sewer and equipped with a 2,300-litre water tank and 5 KVA generator, toilet, shower, bunk beds and a small open kitchen.

NCCH will provide and oversee the delivery of services including village management, allocations, tenancies, support services, activities, ground works and maintenance, cleaning and security to ensure residents have a safe, secure and healthy living environment while they rebuild their lives.

"The NSW Government's medium-term housing solution for our flood affected locals will allow people to start to access housing now", said NCCH CEO, John McKenna. "NCCH's role in the Wollongbar Village is to create and facilitate a community where we see flood survivors thrive and enjoy a good quality of life as they continue to rebuild".

Flood-affected community members seeking housing support are urged to contact Service NSW on 13 77 88, visit https://www.nsw.gov.au/floods or speak to Recovery Centre staff.

North Coast Community Housing (NCCH), is a not-for-profit organisation and has been providing community housing and support services in northern NSW since 1984. NCCH manages close to 1000 social and affordable housing properties from our offices in Lismore, Grafton and Tweed Heads. We believe that everyone has the right to live in safe, comfortable and affordable housing. We are passionate about our role as the gateway for people who are most vulnerable and in need of our help. www.ncch.org.au

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