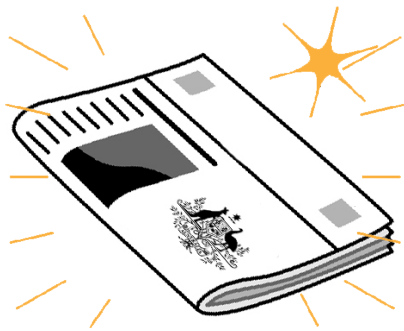




**ACT**  
Government



# **Our Canberra July 2023**

**ACT Government**



**Easy English**

## Hard words



This book has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

- the word is in **blue**
  
- we write what the hard word means.

## You can get help with this book



You can get someone to help you

- read this book
  
- know what this book is about
  
- find more information.

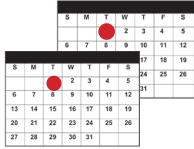


We will write contact information at the end of this book.

## About this book

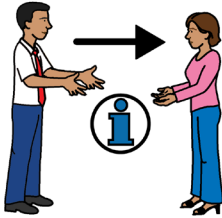


This book is from the ACT Government.



We write a **newsletter** every month.

A newsletter gives you a lot of different information.



This newsletter will tell you

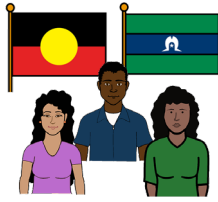
- how we can help you
- how you can tell us what you think.



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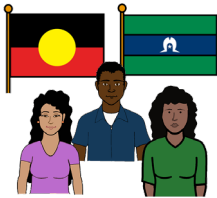
The next newsletter will be in August.



## We acknowledge First Nations people

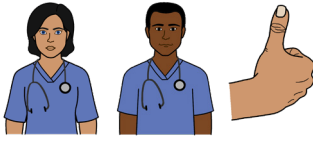
**Acknowledge** means we understand the importance of **First Nations people's**

- culture
- language
- history.



First Nations people are the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

## We will have more jobs for health workers

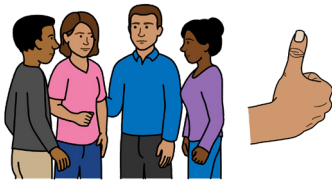


We want health services to be good for workers.



We want to help more First Nations people work in health.

## We will build a new health centre in Watson



We want to help

- young people



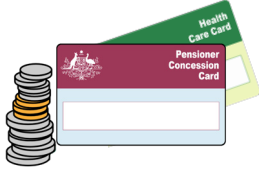
- First Nations people.

The new health centre will have



- drug and alcohol services
- mental health services.

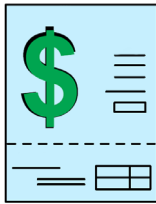
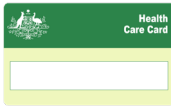
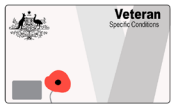
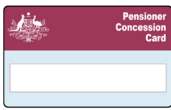
## We want to help people who have a concession card



**Concession** means you pay less because you have a card from the government.

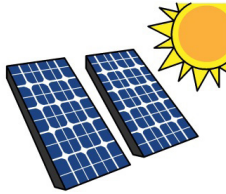
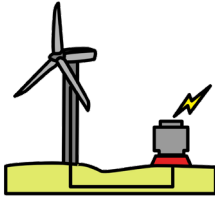
For example

- a pensioner concession card
- a Department of Veterans Affairs card
- a health care card.



You can ask us about how to get help to pay your bills.

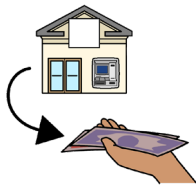
## You can use renewable energy at home



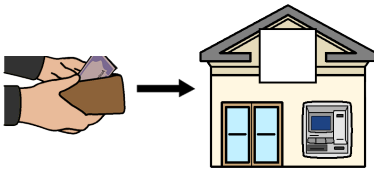
**Renewable energy** comes from

- water
- wind
- the sun.

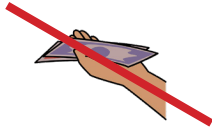
You might be able to get a **loan** to help you use renewable energy at home.



A loan means you borrow money from us.

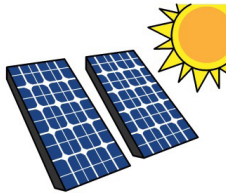


For this loan you only have to pay back the amount of money you borrowed.



You do **not** have to pay any **interest**.

Interest is extra money you pay for a loan.



A loan could help you pay for

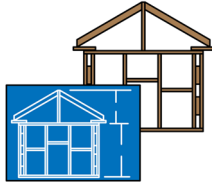
- solar panels
- an electric stove
- a new heater.



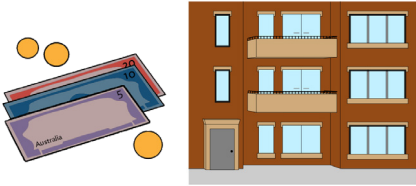
You can ask us about a loan to help you use renewable energy at home.



## We want more houses in the ACT



We want to have more land where people can build houses.

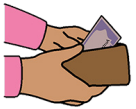


We want the ACT to have more **public housing**.



Public housing means

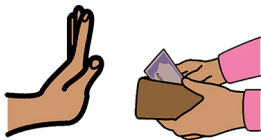
- the government owns your home



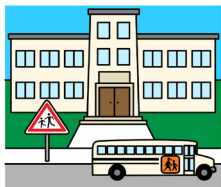
- you pay money to the government.



## We want to help children who go to preschool

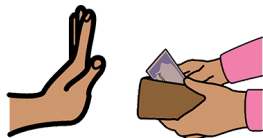


3 year olds will get 1 free day of preschool every week from 2024.

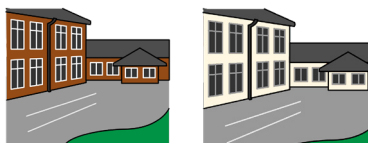


## We want to help public schools

**Public schools** are where you go to school for free.

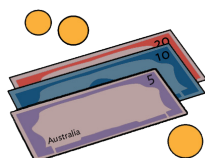


We will help public schools.

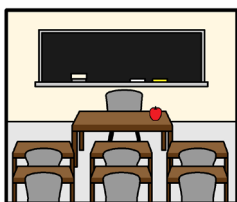


We will also help

- Black Mountain School

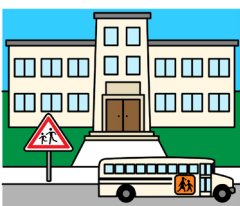


- Cranleigh School.



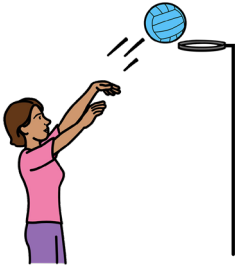
Some schools might get

- more classrooms
- better places to play sport.



Your school will tell you more.

## We want better places to play netball




We want to fix places where you can play netball.

We want to help fix netball places like

- Canberra Netball Association in Lyneham
- South Canberra Netball Association in Deakin
- Belconnen Netball Association in Charnwood
- Tuggeranong Netball Association in Calwell
- Arawang Netball Association in Stirling.

# We want everyone to enjoy Stromlo Forest Park



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We are making a new plan about Stromlo Forest Park.

You could tell us how to make the park better for people who



- walk

- run

- ride a bike



- ride a horse

- have a picnic.



We want to hear from you by 31 July 2023.

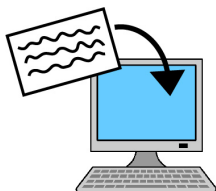


## More information

For more information contact the  
ACT Government.



Call            13 22 81



Email            [ourcanberra@act.gov.au](mailto:ourcanberra@act.gov.au)

## We have different websites for different information



You can ask someone to help you read  
the websites.



## Our Canberra newsletter



Website        [act.gov.au/our-canberra](http://act.gov.au/our-canberra)



## Health workers

Website

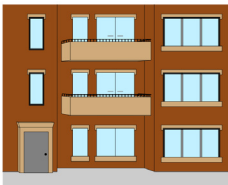
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## New health centre

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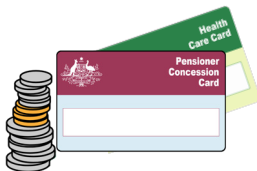
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## Houses

Website

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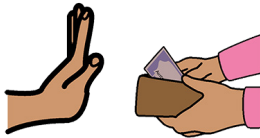


## Concession

Website

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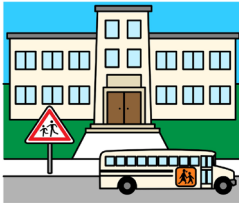




## Preschool

Website

[act.gov.au/our-canberra/preschool](http://act.gov.au/our-canberra/preschool)



## Public schools

Website

[act.gov.au/our-canberra/public-schools](http://act.gov.au/our-canberra/public-schools)



## Stromlo Forest Park

Website [yoursayconversations.act.gov.](http://yoursayconversations.act.gov.au/UCSFPTTM)

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## If you do not speak English



Use the free Translating and Interpreting Service or TIS.



Call 131 450

Give the TIS officer the phone number you want to call.

## If you need help to speak or listen



The National Relay Service can help you make a phone call.



Call 1800 555 660



Website [accesshub.gov.au/nrs-helpdesk](https://accesshub.gov.au/nrs-helpdesk)

Give the relay officer the phone number you want to call.



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