

NSW Aboriginal Housing Office

REGIONAL ABORIGINAL HOUSING COMMITTEES

APPLY NOW TO BECOME A COMMITTEE MEMBER

It is an exciting time to be a part of the Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO). Positions are now available for people with a passion and genuine commitment to supporting the AHO's vision to provide equal access to and choice in affordable housing, by placing Aboriginal culture at the centre of everything we do. If you are interested in becoming a Regional Aboriginal Housing Committee member, [click here](#) to submit your expression of interest.

The Regional Aboriginal Housing Committees (RAHCs) were established as part of the Aboriginal Housing Act 1998.

RAHCs provide advice to the Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) Board on Aboriginal housing matters and other matters as delegated by the AHO Board.

The positions are located in three Regions across New South Wales (NSW)

- Northern Region
- Western Region
- Sydney South East Region

The RAHCs support the goals of the AHO Board by:

- drawing on local knowledge;
- monitoring program delivery;
- providing an effective means for reporting to local Aboriginal communities;
- linking with other relevant agencies;
- and identifying differing needs between and within regions.



The AHO encourages applications from a diverse range of community members who may be involved with their local community groups and/or Aboriginal service providers to apply, this will ensure diversity of knowledge on the RAHC.

SELECTION CRITERIA

ESSENTIAL:

- Aboriginality - documentation will be required when requested
- Local and regional knowledge in relation to housing and Aboriginal services for Aboriginal people
- Genuine commitment to and knowledge of issues impacting on our tenants
- Good communication skills
- Ability to think strategically and accept and respect the directions set by the AHO Board and the Regional Committee as a whole
- Ability to commit to the time required for attending meetings and participate as an active member
- Full time resident within the AHO Region of the RAHC you are applying for

DESIRABLE:

- Employee, members or tenant of an Aboriginal Housing Organisation
- Employee or member of an Aboriginal Youth Group
- Employee or member of an Aboriginal Elders Group
- Employee or member of a registered Aboriginal controlled organisation

Membership:

In selecting committee members, consideration will be given to ensuring balanced representation across each region, including a balance of gender, age and experience.

The RAHCs are based on a three (3) year term basis and meet quarterly each year.

RAHC members are paid a half day or full day sitting fee as determined by the Public Service Commission.

Overnight travel may be required to attend RAHC meetings. All expenses associated with attending meetings will be met by the AHO.

Please note – sitting fees received as a RAHC member must be declared as income if you are receiving Centrelink payments. Any travel related costs to attend meetings are exempt and do not need to be declared as income. We recommend contacting Centrelink to discuss your circumstances when applying to become a RAHC member.

For further information or enquiries contact **Nezmia Hay** on (02) 8836 0020 or via email:

HCSenquiries@aho.nsw.gov.au

To apply:

Forward your expression of interest and any supporting documentation to:

Attn: Mick Higgins

Director

Housing and Client Services

Email: HCSenquiries@aho.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: COB XX/XX/XXXX

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