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**MEETING THE COSTS OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

The Stanhope Government has injected nearly \$6 million over the next four years to ensure the continuation and expansion of essential services to Canberrans.

Minister for the Territory and Municipal Services, John Hargreaves, said the injection comes as a result of increasing cost pressures on the Government.

“Recent increases in the cost of fuel, as well as the expansion of Canberra has lead to increased cost pressures on the ACT Government,” Mr Hargreaves said.

“The Government is committed to ensuring that services such as public transport, garbage and recycling collection remain timely and efficient for all Canberrans.

“As the ACT continues to expand, so does the need to provide new household kerbside garbage and recycling collection services to meet the growth in new houses and units across Canberra.

“The Government expects growth in the need for both garbage and recycling services of about 2000 houses and units a year. This funding will ensure that the future additional collections and processing needs of Canberrans are adequately met and that the ACT remains at the forefront of waste and recycling processing in Australia.”

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