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Danila Dilba welcomes NT Government initiatives to support homeless people in Darwin

Olga Havnen, Chief Executive Officer of Darwin's Danila Dilba Health Service, today congratulated the Gunner government on its announcement of a range of positive initiatives to support homeless people and visitors that are sleeping rough in Darwin.

Danila Dilba welcomes the funding of four additional Larrakia Nation Day Patrol vehicles, and the announcement that the Sobering Up Shelter will now be funded to operate 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Ms Havnen said "These initiatives will help to ensure that vulnerable people can be assisted to a safe place, and can be connected with the services and support that they need."

Danila Dilba looks forward to working with the NT Government, other service providers and Aboriginal people on the co-design of the 'Better Pathways Centres', for Darwin city, Northern Suburbs and Palmerston. Ms Havnen said "Co-locating a range of support services to give people pathways out of sleeping rough is a positive way forward for vulnerable people and at the same time will help address community concerns." Danila Dilba welcomes this wellbeingfocused approach, and looks forward to supporting people accessing services.