

Communique: Industry Strategy Steering Group Meeting – 24 August 2022

This communique is sent on behalf of the Industry Strategy Steering Group (ISSG) to keep you – the ACT community sector informed about key issues discussed and current work in progress.

The ISSG meeting on 24 August 2022 was provided with an update on **Commissioning** and discussed progress in the **Monitoring and Evaluation Capacity Building Project**.

CSD's **commissioning** update noted the Refresh of the [ACT Commissioning Roadmap](#), has commenced with a Sounding Board reference group to provide input from across the sector. ACTCOSS's representative on the Sounding Board is Heather Fitt, Head of Sector Capability. The Refresh will articulate commissioning plans for the sector to 2024 and is expected to be released in November 2022, pending Ministerial approval.

ACTCOSS has been progressing the **Monitoring and Evaluation Capacity Building Project** with a training survey. Monitoring and Evaluation is one key capability for which ACTCOSS will develop a training program. ACTCOSS is keen to connect the Project with the ACT Government's Evaluation Capacity Building team to build collaboration and shared understanding. The meeting also discussed the importance of linking monitoring and evaluation considerations with the ACT Wellbeing Framework. ACTCOSS will invite the Wellbeing Framework team to present to the next meeting and more broadly to the sector, building on conversations that were held in April as part of budget submission discussions.

An update of the **Project** will be presented to the JCGRG meeting on 3 November 2022 and the ISSG will next meet early in 2023 (dates tbc).

About the ISSG

The ISSG monitors the implementation of the ACT Community Services [Industry Strategy 2016 - 2026](#) (the Industry Strategy). The Industry Strategy sets a 10-year vision for the ACT community services industry and identifies priority areas for response and outcomes to be achieved. The ACT Council of Social Service (ACTCOSS) chairs the ISSG. The Steering Group is a working group of the [Joint Community Government Reference Group \(JCGRG\)](#). The JCGRG is a consultative forum focused on progressing social and sustainability issues impacting the Canberra community between ACT Government and the ACT community sector.

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