1. The development of a 10 year Queensland Strategy for Reducing Homelessness (the Strategy) will provide a Queensland vision for reducing homelessness and a framework for the development of homelessness community action plans.
2. The Strategy will provide a platform to build on past and existing work, drive further reforms, ensure our investment is achieving effective outcomes, and improve our future policy and program directions.
3. The Strategy will also contribute to Toward Q2: Tomorrow’s Queensland ambitions, for example by supporting homeless people to participate in employment and education and ensuring the health issues of homeless people are better addressed.
4. A Discussion Paper has been developed in collaboration with the Queensland Homelessness Inter-sectoral Forum, which consists of 10 government and 10 non-government representatives.
5. The Department of Communities will disseminate the Discussion Paper to a wide array of stakeholders to elicit feedback. Stakeholders will include specialist homelessness providers, allied and mainstream services, relevant charitable foundations, local governments and select representatives of private business (such as chambers of commerce). The Discussion Paper will be available on the *Get Involved* website.
6. Several community consultation forums will provide an opportunity for stakeholders to meet face-to-face and provide input and responses to the discussion paper questions.
7. Cabinet approved the consultation process, including the release of a discussion paper and background paper, supported by community consultation forums and targeted focus groups, to inform the development of the Queensland Strategy for Reducing Homelessness 2010-2020.
8. *Attachments*
* [Queensland Strategy for Reducing Homelessness 2010–20 Discussion Paper](Attachments/homelessness-discussion-paper.pdf)
* [Queensland Strategy for Reducing Homelessness 2010–20 Background Paper](Attachments/homelessness-background-paper.pdf)