

Attachment A

**Revised Letter from Wyanga Aboriginal
Aged Care Program Inc - Urgent Support
Request - Emergency Roof Works at
Wyanga Aboriginal Aged Care Program Inc**



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Attn: Monica Barone
Chief Executive Officer
City of Sydney

Re: Urgent Support Request – Emergency Roof Works at Wyanga Aboriginal Aged Care

Dear Monica,

I write to you in my capacity as Chief Executive Officer of Wyanga Aboriginal Aged Care to seek urgent assistance regarding emergency roof repairs required at our premises following recent significant heavy rains, as well as critical technology requirements to maintain operations.

The storm damage has left our entire building compromised and closed. Not only have all Elders' programs been forced offsite, but our staff are unable to access the building at all. Without the necessary technology and facilities to work remotely at scale, Wyanga is unable to remain fully functional, which is having a severe impact on our ability to provide safe, culturally appropriate care and connection for Aboriginal Elders in our community.

While Wyanga has a current insurance policy, we have been advised that it will only cover internal damage and not the external repairs required to restore the roof. Without urgent works, our operations and ability to deliver essential programs remain severely restricted.

We have obtained a detailed quote from Sterland Roofing (attached), which already includes a \$10,000 in-kind donation of labour. In addition, we are awaiting confirmation from Lysaght, a roofing supply company, regarding a potential donation of materials. Should this support be confirmed, the overall cost of the roof repair will reduce, but at this stage we have no guarantee and no other source of funding.

To ensure Wyanga can continue operating during this crisis, we are also in urgent need of technology replacements and upgrades. These are essential to enable our displaced team to maintain communications, deliver services, and keep our organisation running until our premises are restored.

We are therefore respectfully requesting the City of Sydney's support of \$100,000, which would cover both the roof repairs and the essential technology needs of our organisation. While we have already raised \$2,890 through public crowdfunding, Wyanga does not have the financial resources to meet the remaining costs independently.

We have written to other agencies seeking support, and should they come through, we would not need to call on the City of Sydney for the full amount. However, at this stage, no commitments have been confirmed, and the urgent need remains.

Your support would ensure Wyanga can urgently restore our premises, equip our team to function effectively in the interim, safeguard our Elders, and resume delivering our vital services from our community-based facility as quickly as possible.

Thank you for considering this urgent request. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further and provide any additional information required.

Yours sincerely,



Jarin Ingram-Baigent
Chief Executive Officer
Wyanga Aboriginal Aged Care