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Housing and the NSW State Election 2011

Finally, all the parties housing policies are available just in time for the election. Now it's time for you to choose.

The NSW State Election on 26 March will set the direction for the State over the next four years. The Federation is calling on all parties and candidates to commit to implement 6 priorities that will be essential to address the lack of affordable housing in NSW and to meet the housing needs of low and moderate income households.

The Federation has put forward six priorities to improve affordable housing and to strengthen the community housing sector.

Federation call for commitments to action - For details and to access our Election Factsheets please see [Press release](#) or: [Factsheet 1](#), [Factsheet 2](#), [Factsheet 3](#), [Factsheet 4](#).

The parties' responses - the Federation has received official responses from the Coalition, Labor, the NSW Greens and Independent Clover Moore.

The analysis of the responses received to date can be viewed [here](#).

What you can do - Even at this stage you still can influence the incoming government. To join our letter writing campaign please [click here](#).

Housing policies comparison - To help its members to prepare for the upcoming NSW State election, the Federation has compiled a comparison of housing and planning policies between the major parties. The information used in this comparison has been taken directly from the websites of each of the respective parties. The comparison table may be viewed [here](#).

Other housing election campaigns - The Federation is not alone in pushing for better housing policies this election. The Federation has supported a number of other campaigns by [Shelter](#) ; [Tenants Union](#); [Homelessness NSW](#); and [NCOSS](#).

Support for marginal renters

The Federation supports the Tenants Union NSW' efforts to reform the marginal rental sector in NSW.

Marginal renters are renters who are excluded from the state's renting laws. They include residents of boarding houses, residents of licensed residential centres for people with disability, lodgers in private homes and occupants of share houses, residential colleges, hotels, motels, refuges and crisis accommodation.

Marginal renters include some of the most vulnerable people in our community. Legal relations between marginal renters and landlords are largely ungoverned and there is no fair mechanism for resolving disputes, as they are not included in the *Residential Tenancies Act 2010*.

The Tenants' Union of NSW has proposed a comprehensive four-point plan for reform of marginal renting, based on the experiences and positions of the leading organisations in the community sector. Read the Joint Statement [here](#).

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