## Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO 2013-14 Budget Estimates Hearings

## **Outcome Number: Cross**

**Question No: 348** 

**Topic:** Contractors

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## Senator Smith asked:

For this financial year to date: Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).

## Answer:

For this financial year to date, the Department has engaged The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (Victoria) trading as UnitingCare Cutting Edge to deliver the Reconnect program for a total value of \$94,216 (GST exclusive). Under the Reconnect program, UnitingCare Cutting Edge provides community-based early intervention services to assist newly arrived young people aged 12-21 who are homeless, or at risk of homelessness, and their families.