



**Marion Scrymgour**  
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## **PIONEER WOMEN RECEIVE KEYS AND LEASE TO NEW HOME**

The heritage-listed Old Alice Springs Gaol will become the home of the National Pioneer Women's Hall of Fame with the keys and title officially handed over today.

Environment and Heritage Minister Marion Scrymgour said the Hall of Fame recognised the contribution of women to the development of regional Australia – preserving their stories and place in the Territory's history.

"Heritage and tourism go hand in hand, and locating the Hall of Fame at the old Gaol will ensure it is preserved into the future," Ms Scrymgour said.

Ms Scrymgour said the NT Government announced a \$200 000 commitment towards the infrastructure upgrade to the Gaol in 2004.

The funds have been allocated to enable water sewerage and electrical works to be carried out at the site.

"The Chief Minister Clare Martin announced that the new Gaol will house the Hall of Fame, and today I am pleased to advise that a title to the land has been granted for the development of the Pioneer Women's Museum.

"This is great news for everybody involved – especially because the Hall of Fame has the potential to become a major tourism drawcard in Alice Springs – great for tourism, great for the economy."

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