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KUALA LUMPUR: The Women, Family and Community Development Ministry has allocated RM2.8 million in financial aid for HIV/AIDS shelter homes and drug rehabilitation centres under the GTP's Low-Income Households (LIH) NKRA.

The funds comprised of RM2mil which was distributed to 19 shelters managed by the Malaysian AIDS Council while RM800,000 went to eight rehabilitation centres under the Pengasih Malaysia Association (Pengasih).

Its minister Datuk Seri Shahrizat Abdul Jalil said the Government sets aside a special allocation of funds each year for shelters and centres which were in need of financial aid.

This year, she said, the Government had selected Pengasih which is lacking in funds.

She said the financial aid would be used to upgrade their facilities or enhance the quality of their services.