

Child Protection



Family & Community Services

The NSW Government is investing over \$2 billion to protect and support our most vulnerable children, young people and families.



2018-19 Budget Highlights

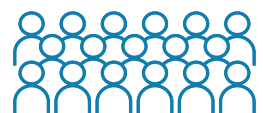
\$1.2 billion

TO SUPPORT OUT-OF-HOME-CARE AND PERMANENCY SUPPORT, GUARDIANSHIP AND ADOPTION.



\$42.1 million (over 4 years)

IN NEW FUNDING FOR MORE CASEWORKERS AND CASEWORK SUPPORT WORKERS.



\$39.2 million

TO KEEP FAMILIES TOGETHER THROUGH EVIDENCE-BASED MODELS INCLUDING IMPROVING FAMILY PRESERVATION THROUGH MULTISYSTEMIC THERAPY for Child Abuse and Neglect and Functional Family Therapy Child Welfare services to help at least 900 families a year in priority locations.

\$149.5 million

FOR EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES for parenting, youth, family support and community development.



Through *Their Futures Matter*, children and young people will benefit from support that helps their parents change so that safety, wellbeing, health and education improve. Where parents cannot change, children need to have a forever home through open adoption or guardianship.



Key initiatives

\$63 million

FOR BRIGHTER FUTURES AND SAFE CARE to deliver services to families for children who are at high risk of entering or escalating within the statutory child protection system.



\$31.6 million

TO SUPPORT CHILDREN WITH HIGH NEEDS IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE.



\$7 million

OVER THREE YEARS TO SUPPORT 'MY FOREVER FAMILY' to recruit, train and support carers.



\$41.3 million

FOR THE CHILDREN'S GUARDIAN to continue protecting children by promoting and regulating quality child-safe organisations and services.



\$1.9 million

OVER THREE YEARS TO ESTABLISH THE INTENSIVE THERAPEUTIC CARE INTERMEDIARY to improve delivery of therapeutic care across the new Intensive Therapeutic Care service system replacing residential care in NSW.



\$17 million

OVER TWO YEARS FOR THE ADOPTION TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM to increase the number of adoptions from Out-of-Home Care.



\$639 million

IN 2018-19 FOR PERMANENCY SUPPORT PROGRAM PROVIDERS to enable children and young people to fulfil their case plan goal for permanency within 2 years and tailor responses to suit their individual needs.

\$6.5 million

FOR 52 FACS PERMANENCY COORDINATORS to support caseworkers to achieve permanency goals.

