



Australian Government
Department of Finance
The Treasury

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Name of proposal costed: Domestic and family violence – new initiatives	
Costing Identifier:	COA 035
Summary of costing:	The proposal would provide \$90.0 million to fund new initiatives under the Third Action Plan of the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010-2022, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$30.0 million for legal services; • \$20.0 million to prevent domestic violence; • \$25.0 million to address domestic violence in Indigenous communities; and • \$15.0 million for frontline services for domestic violence.
Person making the request:	Prime Minister
Date costing request received:	23/06/2016
Date of public release of policy:	12/05/2016 – legal services. 17/06/2016 – prevent domestic violence. 20/06/2016 – address domestic violence in Indigenous communities. 21/06/2016 – frontline services for domestic violence.
Date costing completed:	27/06/2016
Additional information requested (including date):	Not applicable.
Additional information received (including date):	Not applicable.

Financial implications (outturn prices)^{(a)(b)}

Impact on	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Underlying Cash Balance (\$m)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fiscal Balance (\$m)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

(a) A positive number for the fiscal balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in accrual terms. A positive number for the underlying cash balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in cash terms.

(b) The cost of the proposal (\$90.0 million over the forward estimates) is fully offset from the 2016-17 Budget measure *Domestic and Family Violence – new initiatives to break the cycle of violence*.



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Where relevant, state that the proposal has been costed as a defined or specified amount.

The proposal has been costed to provide \$90.0 million over the Forward Estimates, with a capped specified amount of \$100.0 million, as detailed in the costing request form.

Funding Profile	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Cost (\$)	-30.0	-30.0	-30.0	0.0

Where relevant, include separate identification of revenue and expense components.

Not applicable.

Where appropriate, include a range for the costing or sensitivity analysis.

Not applicable.

Qualifications to the costing (including reasons for the costing not being comprehensive).

The costing request does not outline the specific initiatives which will be funded. Initiatives will require consultation and negotiation with the states and territories to agree final policy details.

Where relevant, explain effects of departmental expenses.

The 2016-17 Budget measure, *Domestic and Family Violence – new initiatives to break the cycle of violence*, provided \$100.0 million in administered funding over three years.

No departmental funding was included in the 2016-17 Budget measure.

Where relevant, explain the reason for any significant differences between the assumptions specified in a party costing request and those used in a Treasury or Finance costing.

Not applicable.

Other comments (including reasons for significant differences between the estimated impact on the fiscal and underlying cash balances).

Not applicable.

Background information

Costing methodology used:

The costing request specifies that funding would be capped at \$100.0 million. Finance has assumed a profile of \$30.0 million per year over three years from 2016-17, to align with the funding profile of the 2016-17 Budget measure which set aside \$33.3 million each year from 2016-17 to 2018-19.



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The costing request specifies that all elements of this package will be funded through the 2016-17 Budget measure. As such, this costing has no fiscal or underlying cash impact.

The components of this costing and the relevant announcements are as follows:

\$30.0 million for legal services announced on 12/05/2016 – '\$30 million announced today is part of \$100 million new funding to provide help to those affected by family violence (Senator Cash Twitter)'.

\$20.0 million to prevent domestic violence announced on 17/06/2016 – 'Coalition to deliver extra \$20 million to prevent domestic violence'.

\$25.0 million to address domestic violence in Indigenous communities announced on 21/06/2016 – 'Coalition to deliver \$25 million to address domestic violence in indigenous communities'.

\$15.0 million to boost domestic violence frontline services announced on 21/06/2016 – 'Coalition boost for domestic violence frontline services'.

Behavioural assumptions used (as appropriate).

Not applicable.

