



Australian Government
Department of Finance
The Treasury

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Name of proposal costed: Improving the digital confidence and skills of senior Australians	
Costing Identifier:	COA 043
Summary of costing:	<p>The proposal would provide \$50.0 million over four years to improve senior Australians' digital literacy allowing them to use smart devices, stay connected with family and friends and to participate online. This proposal would leverage off existing community infrastructure.</p> <p>Activities may include training on smart devices; small technology grants for libraries, aged care facilities, retirement villages and community centres to purchase equipment like smart devices; and measures to ensure that older Australians are safe online.</p>
Person making the request:	Prime Minister
Date costing request received:	27/06/2016
Date of public release of policy:	26/06/2016
Date costing completed:	30/06/2016
Additional information requested (including date):	Not applicable.
Additional information received (including date):	Not applicable.

Financial implications (outturn prices)^(a)

Impact on	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Underlying Cash Balance (\$m)	-12.5	-12.5	-12.5	-12.5
Fiscal Balance (\$m)	-12.5	-12.5	-12.5	-12.5

(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.



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

The proposal specifies that funding is capped at \$50.0 million over four years, with funding of \$12.5 million per year for four years.

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).

Not applicable.

Where relevant, explain effects of departmental expenses.

As specified in the costing request, any departmental costs associated with administering this policy will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Social Services, and any other relevant agency.

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:

Not applicable.

Behavioural assumptions used (as appropriate).

Not applicable.



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