

State Budget 2006/07 Information Sheet

Domestic and Family Violence Response

WACOSS' Recommendation	Budget Outcome	Comments
	\$1.5M over four years for a new refuge in the northern suburbs. Construction of the new facility will come out of DHW budget.	
<p>Early Intervention and Prevention for Accompanying Children in SAAP Services Core funding levels are increased so that Women's Refuge and DV Services can work with children as clients in their own right. Costing: Additional core funding sufficient to employ at least two full-time Children's DV Specialists based on a Level 5/6 CASH Award or equivalent, plus operating costs. Minimum of \$75,000 per year.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The increase in core funding is yet to be calculated. 	
<p>Links Between Animal Cruelty and Family and Domestic Violence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the State Government commits funds to raise public awareness in relation to links between animal cruelty as an issue indicating family and domestic violence and the potential for other criminal acts and violent behaviour. That the State Government ensures the provision of adequate management of offenders as well as prevention mechanisms in the community. This would include the development of interagency memoranda of understanding with protocols for training, cross reporting, cross referral for investigation and safety responses for both human and animal victims. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No specific budget allocation is evident at this stage. 	
<p>Ensuring Access and Equity in Rural and Remote Regions That the State Government work in partnership with the Women's Council for Domestic and Family Violence Services (WCDFVS) to progress the urgent need for an intensive level of support model to be provided for Women's Refuge and Domestic/Family Violence Services in rural and remote regions of WA. Cost: \$200,000pa for 3 years</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No specific budget allocation is evident at this stage. 	

Domestic Violence Outreach Services for Women and Children

The further development and sustainability of a state-wide network of domestic and family violence outreach services that provide support to women and children living in violent relationship.

Cost: \$60,000 each

- No specific budget allocation is evident at this stage.