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### **\$2 BILLION FUNDING FOR VICTORIAN HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SERVICES**

Housing and homelessness services in Victoria will be strengthened with a new deal that will deliver \$2 billion in Commonwealth funding over five years.

The Coalition Government and Victorian Governments have this week finalised their agreement on the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement (NHHA).

The \$2 billion in funding will provide social housing and homeless services that aim to make a positive difference for families and individuals experiencing disadvantage. This funding represents an approximate \$250 million increase on the previous five years to 2017-18.

It will help to provide for crisis and transitional accommodation, long term social housing, maintenance of social housing, builds and acquisitions, along with a range of assistance to prevent homelessness.

The NHHA replaces the National Affordable Housing Agreement and National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness.

Under the NHHA, funding levels will be maintained and funding allocated to homelessness services is ongoing and indexed, providing certainty to frontline homelessness services providers.

The Coalition Government is committed continuing to work together with the States and Territories to improve housing and homelessness outcomes.

Funding for housing and homelessness services is part of our plan for a stronger economy and to keep Australians safe and together.

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