

## **Translated Script**

## Help with managing your money

**Note:** The information in this section is currently only available in some languages. Translations in additional languages will be added to the website as they become available.

- You can get free and confidential help with managing your money.
- Services Australia has a free Financial Information Service (FIS).
- FIS provides free information and resources to help you make informed decisions about your money.
- You can talk to a FIS Officer
  - o over the phone
  - o via a video chat
  - o at a face-to-face appointment
- Find out more about FIS at servicesaustralia.gov.au/financialinformationservice.
- You can also talk to a financial counsellor.
- A financial counsellor can help you and your family to set up a budget and plan for the future.
- They can also:
  - o negotiate on your behalf with people and organisations you owe money to
  - o advocate with government or non-government organisations
  - o explain what you can do if you can't pay bills
  - explain what happens if you can't pay a debt.
- Financial counselling services are voluntary, free and confidential

- You can access a financial counsellor through:
  - face-to-face meetings
  - calling the National Debt Helpline on 1800 007 007
  - by visiting ndh.org.au
- You can find information to help you budget, deal with debt and manage your money at servicesaustralia.gov.au/manageyourmoney
- You can also find support services by visiting dss.gov.au/supportservices
- You can find free legal advice services about money matters for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples by calling the Mob Strong Debt Helpline 1800 808 488