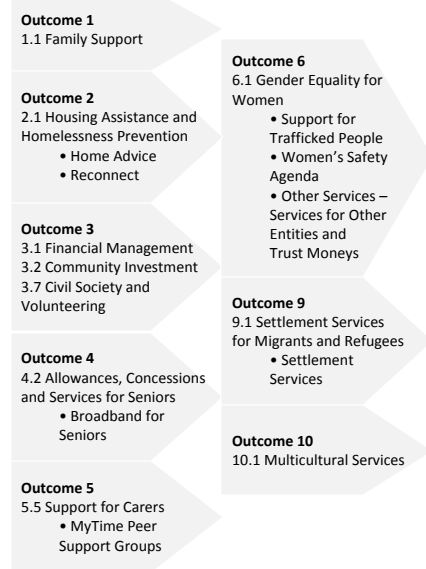




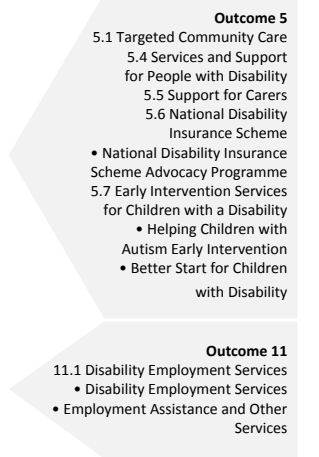
DSS Grants – A New Way of Working

The Department of Social Services is implementing a new way of working for grants, including new grant programmes that are better suited to what communities want and need. This is a single, coherent structure, streamlining 18 discretionary grant programmes into seven. Simplifying grant programmes will promote greater community input and flexibility to drive local solutions to local problems.

Former Programme Structure



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Outcome 2 Families and Communities



Outcome 5 Disability



3.2 Home Support Programme

The Home Support Programme provides funding for basic maintenance, care and support services for older people and their carers who live in the community, respite and access to information for carers, and funds a range of allied health and therapy services. The programme also aims to assist financially disadvantaged older people in identifying services that can provide appropriate, sustainable and affordable housing and community care services.



3.4 Residential and Flexible Care Programme

Residential aged care provides a range of care options and accommodation for older people who are unable to continue living independently in their own homes. Flexible care caters to the needs of older people, in either a residential or home care setting, who may require a different approach than that provided through mainstream residential and home care options.



3.5 Workforce and Quality Programme

The Workforce and Quality Programme aims to ensure the availability of a skilled workforce, empower consumers and ensure a high quality of care to recipients of aged care services.

3.6 Ageing and Service Improvement Programme

The Ageing and Service Improvement Programme enables better support for activities that promote healthy and active ageing, better response to existing and emerging challenges including dementia care and better support services targeting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people from diverse backgrounds.



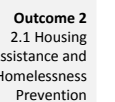
Outcome 4 Housing



4.1 Housing and Homelessness Programme

The Housing and Homelessness Programme will support the development of policy advice to inform government responses for current and future challenges, including how to improve housing affordability for all Australians.

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For more information on the new way of working, visit the DSS grants website at dss.gov.au/grants