

# Tasmania

## Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Responses 2025-30 Federation Funding Agreement (FDSV FFA)- Project Plan Summary



Since COVID-19, frontline family and sexual violence services have faced higher demand, longer waitlists and more complex client needs. In response, the Tasmanian Government has expanded investment in priority areas such as community-based counselling and victim-survivor support, legal assistance, frontline workforce training and the rollout of multidisciplinary Arch Centres to provide integrated, trauma-informed support.

Alongside this work, the Tasmanian Government is implementing the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry into the Government's Responses to Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Settings. Key gains have been a strengthening of statewide coordination, improving workforce capability, enhancing accountability and oversight through a new Commission for Children and Young People and embedding trauma-informed, child-centred practice across services.

Supporting Tasmania's approach has been investment from the Commonwealth Government through the FDSV FFA. Under the 2025-30 FDSV FFA, the Commonwealth and Tasmanian governments are investing \$15.730 million in new matched funding. Under the 2025-26 project plan, \$3.855 million is being invested in the following programs, which comprises \$1.505 million from the Commonwealth Government and \$2.350 million from the Tasmanian Government. Project plans covering the 2026 to 2030 financial years is in development.

### Program 1 - Keeping Women Safe in their Home - Statewide

**Funding:** \$0.405 million in Commonwealth Government funding | **Service Type:** Housing and accommodation services | **Location:** Tasmania

Keeping Women Safe in their Home helps women who have experienced family violence to remain safely at home. Funding goes toward risk assessment, safety planning and targeted security upgrades.

This program contributes towards the achievement of the following national outcomes:

- [National Outcomes Framework Performance Measurement Plan](#)
  - Outcome 5: Children and young people are safe in all settings and are effectively supported by systems and services
  - Outcome 6: Women are safe and respected in all settings and experience economic, political, cultural and social equality.

## Program 2 - Local Support Coordinator (Safe Choices) – South and North

**Funding:** \$0.200 million in Commonwealth Government funding | **Service Type:** Specialist support services for diverse people and groups | **Location:** South and North Tasmania

This program funds 1.6 FTE Local Support Coordinators to assist women with disability who are experiencing family violence.

Safe Choices offers information, advice and practical help for people who may not wish to use traditional counselling or justice pathways, while still supporting reports to police and referrals when needed.

This program contributes towards the achievement of the following national outcomes:

- [National Outcomes Framework Performance Measurement Plan](#)
  - Outcome 2: Services and prevention programs are effective, culturally responsive, intersectional and accessible.
  - Outcome 6: Women are safe and respected in all settings and experience economic, political, cultural and social equality.

## Program 3 - Arch specialist therapeutic services - North, North-West and South

**Funding:** \$0.900 million in Commonwealth Government funding | **Service Type:** Sexual violence services | **Location:** Tasmania

Specialist sexual assault counsellors are placed in three multi-disciplinary Arch centres to support victim-survivors.

The program continues services in the North and South and adds the North-West Arch from its opening in early 2026.

Each centre receives dedicated funding to ensure consistent access to care.

This program contributes towards the achievement of the following national outcomes:

- [National Outcomes Framework Performance Measurement Plan](#)
  - Outcome 2: Services and prevention programs are effective, culturally responsive, intersectional and accessible.
  - Outcome 6: Women are safe and respected in all settings and experience economic, political, cultural and social equality

## Program 4 - Partnering with Community - Commission of Inquiry responses

**Funding:** \$1.000 million in Tasmanian Government funding | **Service Type:** Prevention and early intervention activities | **Location:** Tasmania

This program funds community organisations to lead culture and system change that prevents and responds to child sexual abuse.

Work includes collaboration with local government and community peak bodies to promote children's rights, safety and wellbeing.

Activities are community-led and designed to shift attitudes, practices and structures.

This program contributes towards the achievement of the following national outcomes:

- [National Outcomes Framework Performance Measurement Plan](#)
  - Outcome 1: Systems and institutions effectively support and protect people impacted by gender-based violence.
  - Outcome 2: Services and prevention programs are effective, culturally responsive, intersectional and accessible.
  - Outcome 5: Children and young people are safe in all settings and are effectively supported by systems and services.

## Program 5 - Reducing Harmful Sexual Behaviours - Commission of Inquiry Responses

**Funding:** \$1.350 million in Tasmanian Government funding | **Service Type:** Specialist support services for Children | **Location:** Tasmania

This program funds the Prevention, Assessment, Support and Treatment of Harmful Sexual Behaviours (PAST) program. The PAST program supports children and young people, aged 17 years and younger, who display harmful sexual behaviour, as well as their families and others impacted.

Help can include assessment, therapy and practical support tailored to each situation.

This program contributes towards the achievement of the following national outcomes:

- [National Outcomes Framework Performance Measurement Plan](#)
  - Outcome 1: Systems and institutions effectively support and protect people impacted by gender-based violence.
  - Outcome 2: Services and prevention programs are effective, culturally responsive, intersectional and accessible.
  - Outcome 5: Children and young people are safe in all settings and are effectively supported by systems and services.