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Victorian state government answers our calls for increased funding to make perpetrators of family violence more accountable

On May 2, 2017 the Victorian state government handed down the [2017/18 budget](#). As the peak body for men's family violence prevention, today we welcome the funding announcements which support effective perpetrator accountability reforms. These reforms will keep women, children and families safer.

The new funding announcements will give the men's family violence sector adequate resources.

Quotes attributable to CEO, Jacqui Watt:

"For years the men's family violence prevention sector has been inadequately funded, much like the entire family violence sector, and if we're serious about an integrated approach to keeping women and children safe and living in violence-free homes, we need to tackle men's behaviour."

"What we can see today is Premier Andrews' significant commitment to further address the missing piece of the puzzle within the Victorian family violence sector: effective perpetrator accountability reforms. When we say this what we mean is a suite of programs to engage men. [With \\$25.6 million \(140% increase\) of funding injected into the sector, specifically related to Changing perpetrator behaviour](#), we can broaden our workforce reach, make further inroads with women's services and resource the growing needs of our sector."

To learn more about how the Victorian state budget 2017/18 has affected the men's family violence prevention sector, please follow us on Twitter today: [@NTVvic](#) and monitor our [website](#).

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