### 2025–26 Victorian State Budget

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Minister for Disability

10 June 2025



#### Portfolio overview

#### The Disability portfolio:

Leads whole-of-government strategic policy to drive inclusion and participation of people with disability, coordinated through the State Disability Plan and the Victorian Autism Plan

 Continues the Victorian disability reform agenda, with a key focus on implementing recommendations of the NDIS Review and Disability Royal Commission

Delivers integrated services, including accommodation for people with forensic disability and complex needs

 Provides Specialist Disability Accommodation to nearly 3,000 people with disability



# Victoria's commitment to people with a disability

#### Victoria:

- > Will contribute **\$3.34 billion** towards the NDIS in 2025-26
- Co-ordinates the implementation of disability reforms arising from the Disability Royal Commission and NDIS Review in Victoria
- Continues to work with the Commonwealth, states and territories to strengthen the NDIS and to undertake early design of Foundational Supports
- Continues to advocate for disability reforms to be informed by meaningful engagement with people with disability, their families and carers



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> The NDIS was fully implemented in Victoria on 1 July 2019.

As at 31 March 2025, 192,973 Victorians were active participants in the scheme.

> 126,248 Victorian participants who did not receive disability supports prior to the introduction of the NDIS, are now receiving specialist disability supports for the first time.



# Drive inclusion and participation for people with disability

#### Inclusive Victoria: state disability plan 2022-2026

> Shaped in extensive consultation with the disability community

Midway Report to track progress tabled in Parliament on 28

November 2024.

Midway Report found of the 175 original actions:

» 28 are completed;

» 139 are on track to be completed by June 2026;

» 8 are still to be progressed; and

» 11 new actions have been added



# Drive inclusion and participation for people with disability

The 2025-26 State Budget provides \$70.7m for a range of supports for people with disability. Key features include:

- Support for children with disability and their families
- Increased access to public autism assessments
- Continued boost funding for disability advocacy
- Support for people with disability ineligible for the NDIS
- Specialist Disability Accommodation fire safety upgrades
- Maintaining regulation of disability and social services



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