

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee 2008-09 Senior Victorians Portfolio Budget



Preparing for the Future

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Achievements

- More people receive HACCC services
- 400,000 hours of additional HACCC services delivered
- Expanding community support services
- Additional public sector residential aged care places in priority areas
- Upgraded public sector aged care facilities

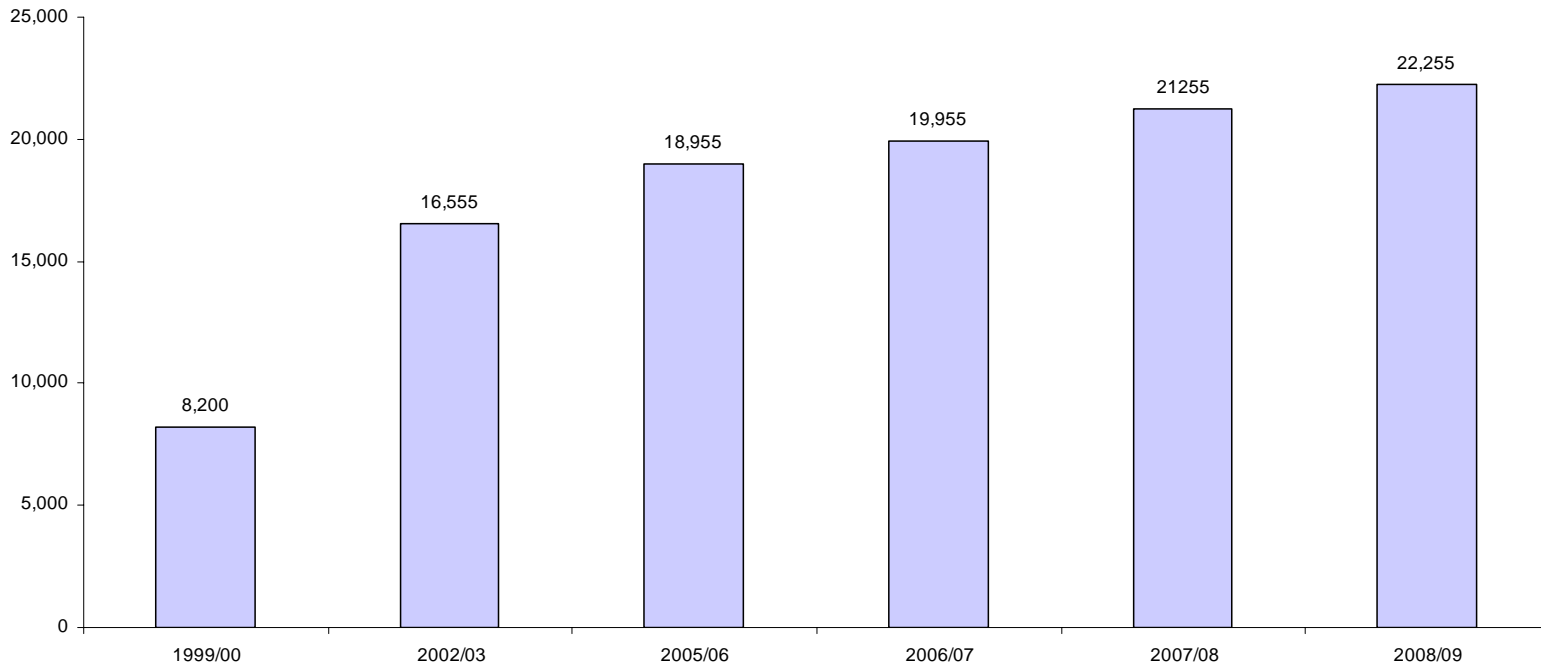
Achievements

- Establishment of Seniors Rights Victoria
- 25 new Men's Sheds funded
- Growth of the U3A network – more programs, more locations
- Delivery of the 25th Anniversary Seniors Festival – with 360,000 participants
- 17 Local Government Projects funded under the MAV/COTA Age Friendly Communities Initiative.
- Introduced free public transport on Sundays for Seniors Card holders

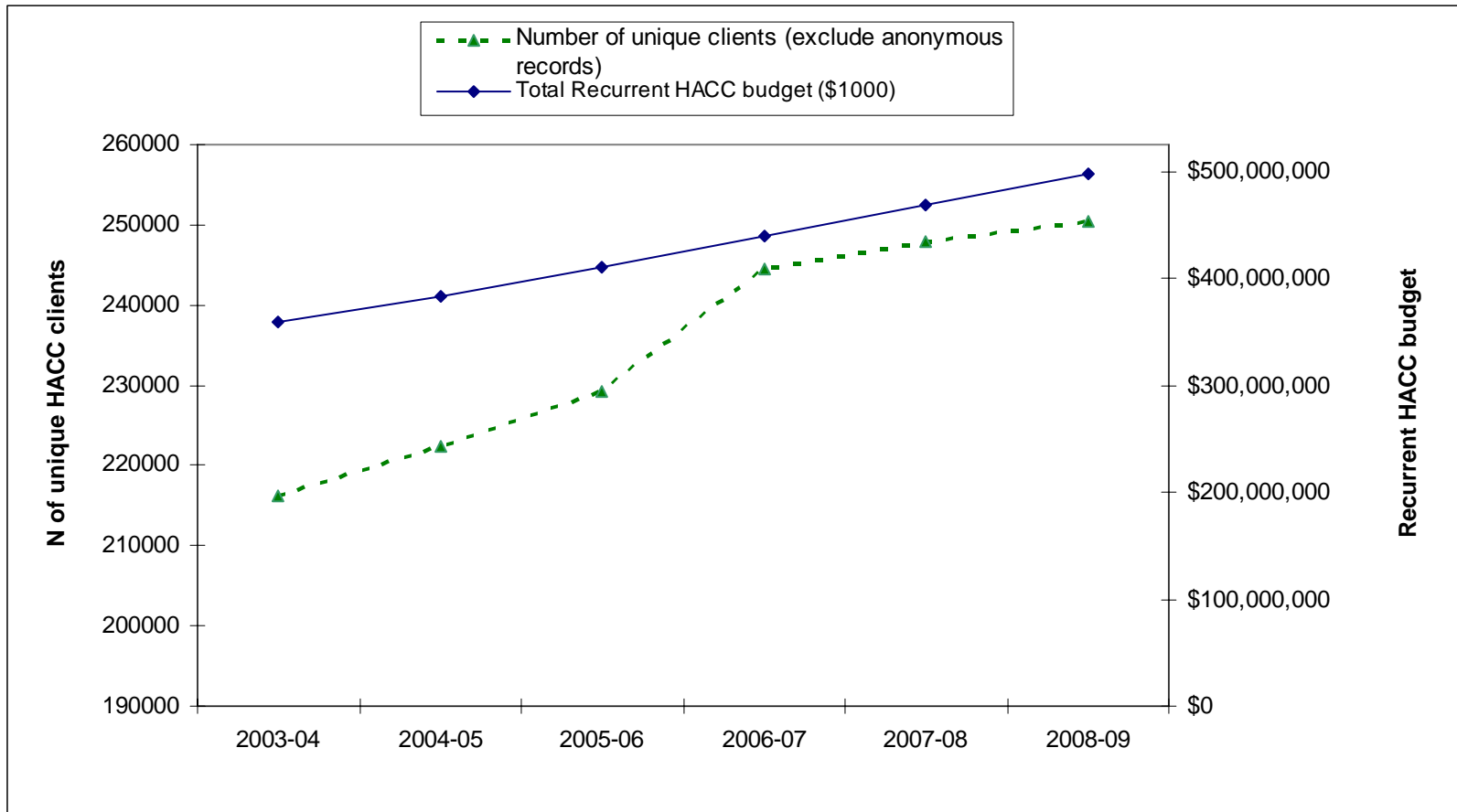
Achievements

Helping seniors to stay independent

Personal Alert Victoria



HACC Growth



Challenges – ageing population

- The population will continue to age significantly, with the age structure taking on a new shape:



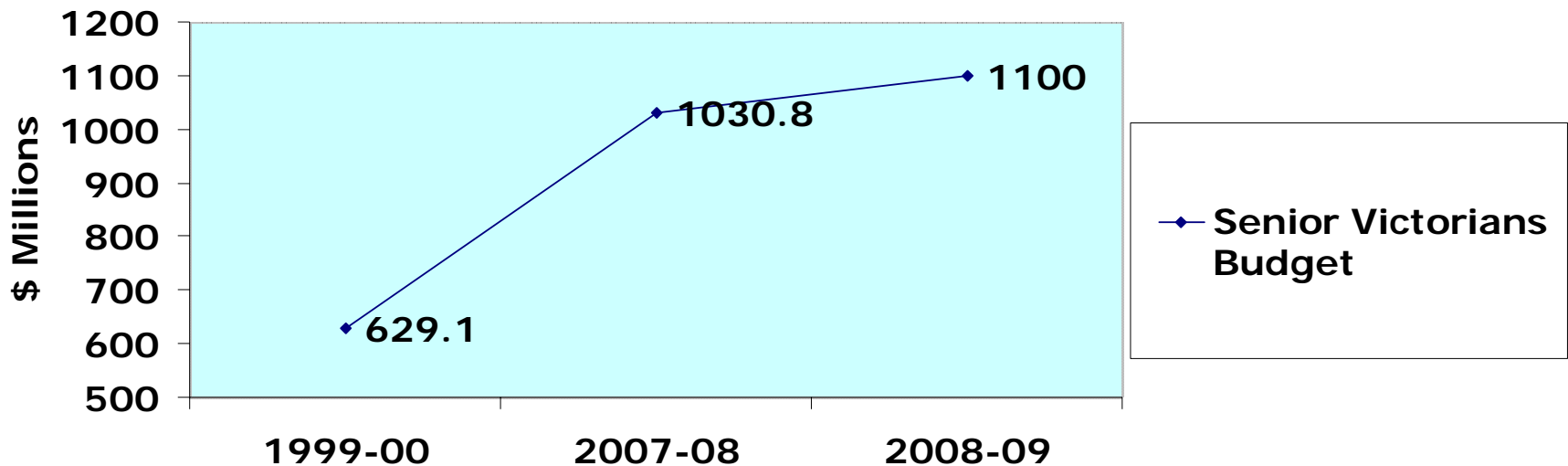
Responding to the challenge

- **A positive approach to ageing for seniors in Victoria**
 - **Go For Your Life Campaign** – encouraging seniors to be fit and well
 - **Positive Ageing** – positive images of senior Victorians
- **Developing community care**
 - Implement Access Points – help to find aged care services
 - Implement HACC Assessment Framework
 - *Active Service Model* - improving quality of service provision by focussing on wellness, restoration and social connection.
- **Facilitating Residential Aged Care** in high need areas
 - Aged Care Land Bank – LFS commitment to be completed.
- **Redeveloping public sector residential aged care** facilities
 - \$445.7 million committed since 2000 to rebuild more than 25% of public sector beds.

Portfolio budget

- Total Senior Victorians budget \$1.1 billion in 2008-09
 - Senior Victorians budget spread across three Output Groups: Aged and Home Care; Small Rural Services (DHS) and Seniors and Veterans (DPCD)
 - Increased by 6.7% or \$69.2m over 2007-08
 - Represents 75% increase since 1999-2000

Growth in Portfolio - 1999-00 to 2008-09



Budget Initiatives 2008-09

- **Growth in funding for HACCC** in 2008-09 of **\$11.0** million.
- **Regional Food Kitchen –**
 - \$6.0 million Victorian Government grant for facility to be owned and operated by a consortium of local councils
 - will improve management, efficiency and cost effectiveness of producing meals for the HACCC delivered meals services.
- **Redevelopment of three aged care facilities** for seniors **\$66.6** million allocated for:
 - Kingston Centre Redevelopment Stage 2 - \$45 million
 - Bendigo Residential Aged Care Facility (Stella Anderson Replacement) - \$13.6m
 - Hepburn Health Service - Trentham Campus Redevelopment - \$8m
- **Stage 3 of Aged Care Land Bank –** a further **\$2.5m** allocated

Budget Initiatives 2008-09

- \$2 million Men's Sheds Program
- U3As – continuing the growth strategy
- Seniors 'Go for Your Life' – continuing the rollout of healthy active living projects
- Strength Training
- Continuing positive ageing initiatives

Preparing for the future - Ageing Policy Framework

Thinking long term

A Whole of Government approach to position Victoria to respond to the challenges and opportunities of an ageing population.

A broad ranging consultation process is underway. This will discuss issues including:

- The diversity of older people
- Health and wellbeing
- Inclusive and liveable communities
- Economic opportunities presented by the ageing population