



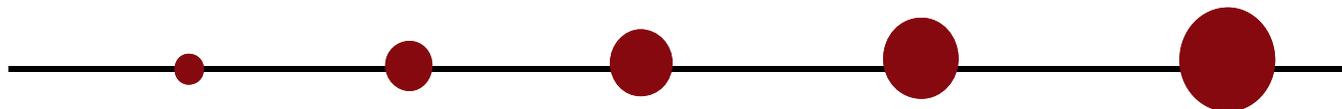
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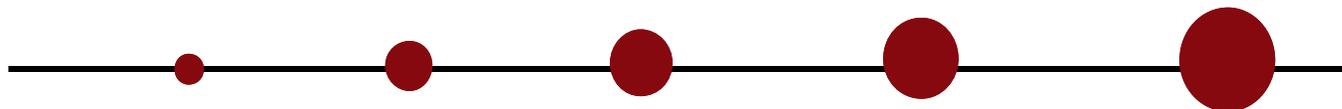
Government's 10 year plan to end family violence

- The Victorian Government is committed to a Victoria free from family violence.
- Successful primary prevention of family violence and all forms of violence against women is a critical part of achieving this.
- Key reforms in the prevention of family violence include:
 - Implementation of the Free from Violence First Action Plan 2018-2021
 - Changing community attitudes through the Respect Women: Call it Out campaign and targeted campaigns
 - Establishing Respect Victoria, a new prevention agency
 - Ensuring that victim survivors and the family violence sector play central roles in family violence reforms through the Victim Survivors' Advisory Council and the Ministerial Taskforce on the Prevention of Family Violence and other forms of Violence Against Women



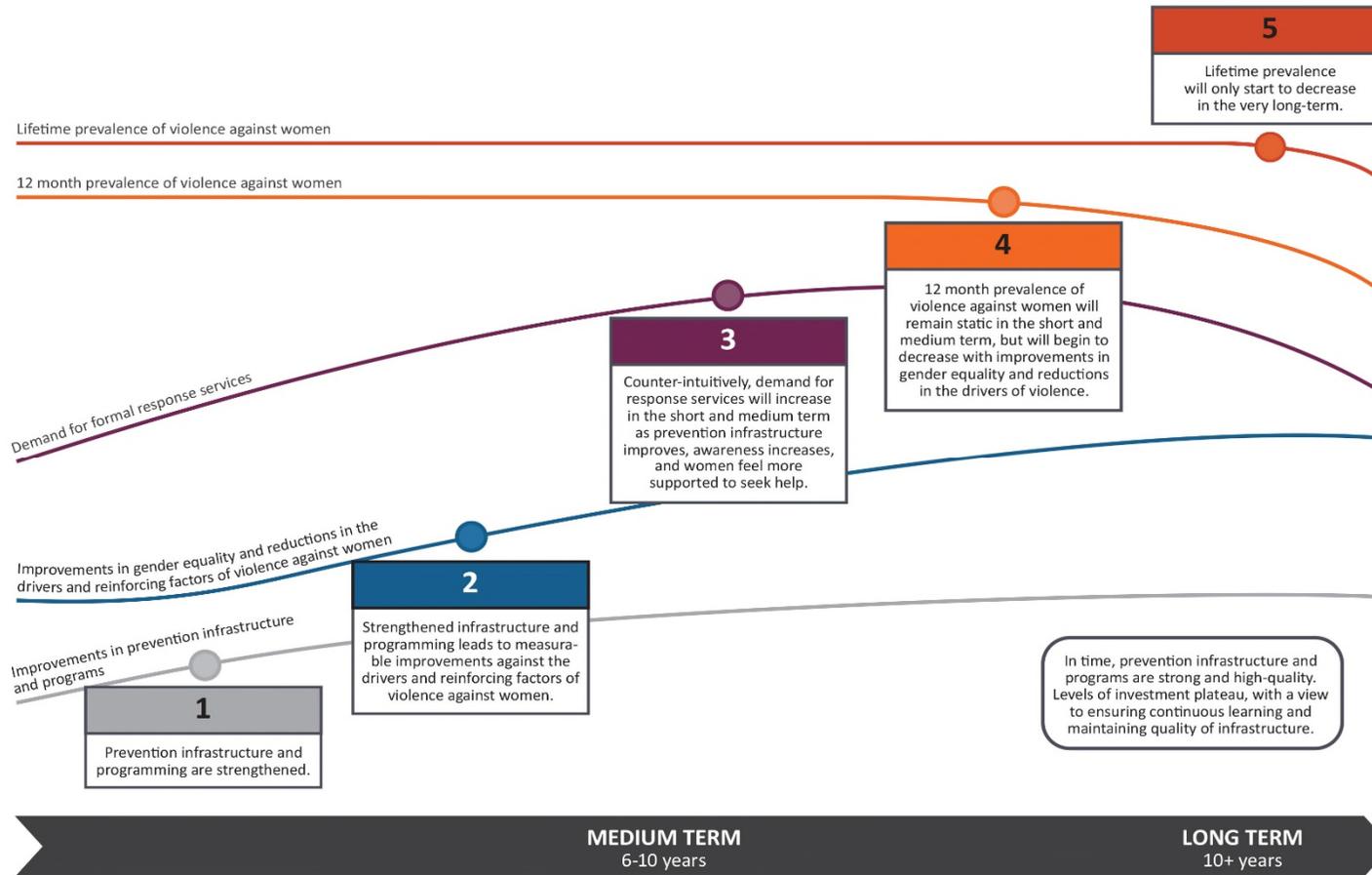
Why we need to invest in prevention

- Victoria's Free from Violence strategy sets the scene for our prevention work in response to the stark statistics on family violence:
 - 1 in 3 women across Australia has experienced physical violence
 - 1 in 4 women across Australia has experienced physical or sexual violence from a partner
 - 1 in 5 women across Australia has experienced sexual violence.
- In Victoria, police incidents have stabilised, and services report a greater number of victims or their family and friends are making contact directly for support, rather than via a police referral.





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Focus on gender equality

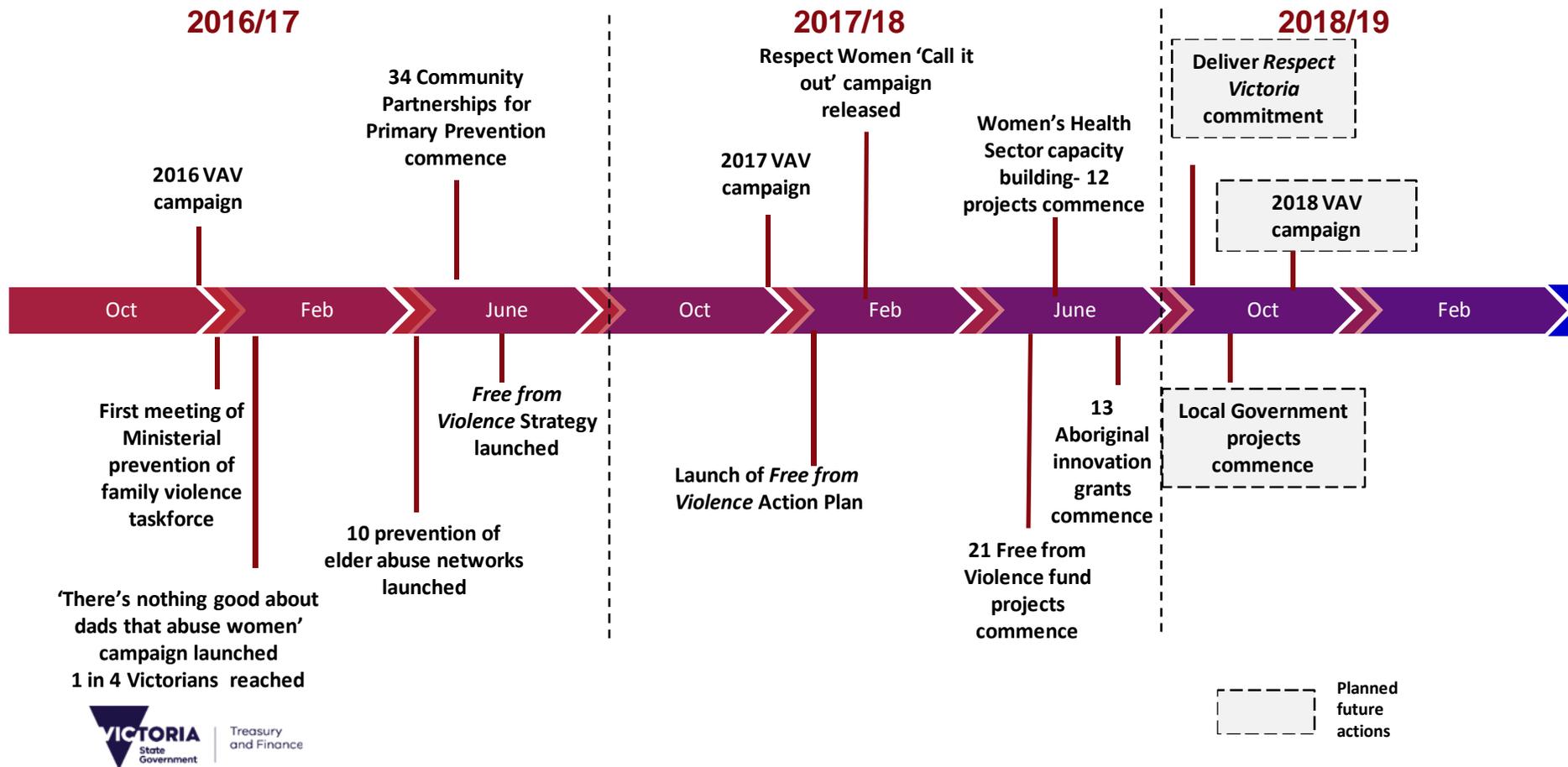
“If we are to prevent family violence we must change the attitudes and social conditions that give rise to it. There is a need to implement primary prevention strategies that are designed to dismantle harmful attitudes towards women, promote gender equality and encourage respectful relationships. Because family violence takes many forms, a variety of approaches is required. Some programs should be addressed to the Victorian community as a whole, others to particular population groups and places”

State of Victoria, Royal Commission into Family Violence: Summary and recommendations, Parl Paper No 132 (2014–16).



Milestones achieved and highlights over the last three years

PREVENTION OF FAMILY VIOLENCE



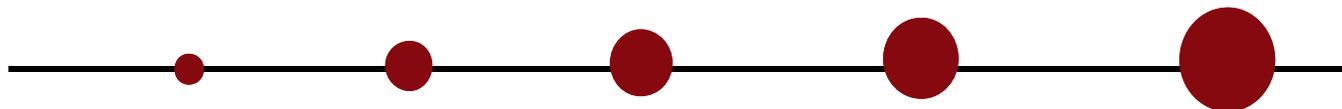


Prevention of family violence investment

- The 2018-19 Budget commits **\$24 million** toward behavioural change campaigns and programs that will target workplaces, diverse communities, adults, adolescents and older people.

Gender Equality and the Prevention of Family Violence

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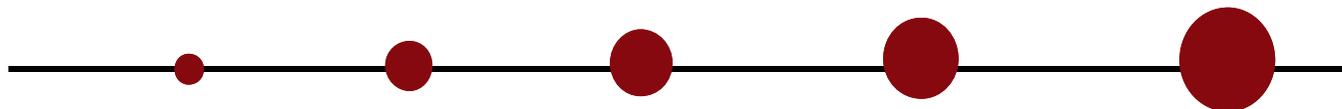


Respect Women: Call It Out

Behaviour Change Campaign – Bystander Intervention



- Respect Women: Call It Out – seen by over **1.1 million** people online. This number continues to grow daily.
- Over **one in every four Victorians** have seen the campaign There's Nothing Good About Dads Who Abuse Women.

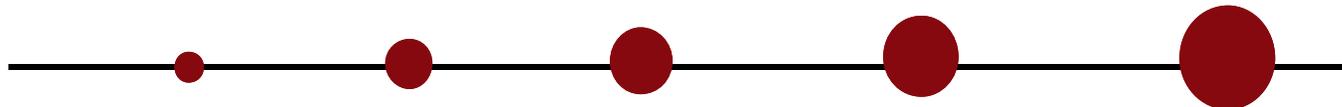




New, dedicated prevention agency



- Respect Victoria will be established as a statutory authority in legislation
- Established to lead research and communications to prevent all forms of family violence and promote best practice
- Fulfils recommendation 188 of the Royal Commission into Family Violence





Free from Violence Fund

- Supports creative and innovative family violence prevention activities.
- Helps us understand in different local settings and contexts what works.



Barwon CASA and the Barwon Adolescent Taskforce will work with young people to address the drivers of family violence.



Grampians Pyrenees Primary Care Partnership will work with farming communities to increase awareness of gender inequality.

