

Housing portfolio

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee

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Building a Better Victoria

\$201.9 million in 2014-15 budget

Funding focused on homelessness:

- \$124.4 million: National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness
- \$65 million: Victorian Social Housing Framework
- \$5.0 million: Operating funding for the Shepparton Youth Foyer
- \$7.4 million: SACS Award (Housing Assistance Workers)

Victorian Coalition Government is committed to protecting the most vulnerable people in Victoria

- Support 100,000 people who are, or at risk of, being homeless
- Support around 160,000 residents (including 77,000 long term households)
- Upgrade 1720 dwellings
- Acquire 500 dwellings
- Provide crisis accommodation to 9,000 households
- Provide assistance for people to maintain tenancies in the private market - flexible support through 12,000 Bond Loans and housing establishment fund – rental references

Social Housing - Capital Program

- \$1.1 billion of social housing projects currently underway or in the pipeline

Includes \$215 million in 2014-15 comprising of:

- \$50 million expenditure on existing projects; and
- \$165 million for new projects

2014-15 Budget: National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness

\$124.4 million over four years

- State funding provides full four years locked in for funding certainty
- Funding will, among other things:
 - Provide assertive outreach to respond to rough sleeping
 - Move chronically homeless into long term housing
 - Provide essential family violence service responses, including funding to keep women and children 'safe at home'

\$65 million over four years to support initiatives under *Social Housing Framework: A Framework for a Strong and Sustainable Future*

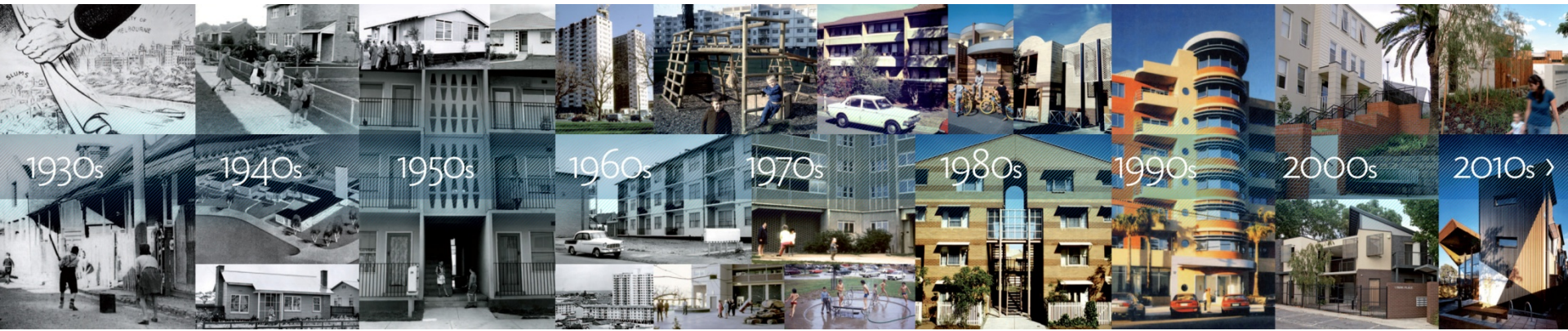


Direction 1: Better communities	Direction 2: Better opportunities	Direction 3: Better assets
Promote and enforce neighbourly behaviour in public housing	Provide more support for people who are able to move into the private rental market	Boost investment to improve the quality of existing public housing
Encourage tenants to participate in their communities	Increase opportunities for tenants to work and study	Renew public housing that is ageing or no longer meets needs
Strengthen public housing management	Encourage more tenants into home ownership	Enhance the role of community housing
Trial new service delivery models for management and maintenance	Improve access to public housing for those in greatest need	Attract more private investment in social housing

2014-15 Budget: Operating funding for the Shepparton Youth Foyer

\$5 million over four years

- Construction to commence in September this year
- Benefits of the Foyer includes:
 - Stable and safe accommodation and intensive support
 - Sustainable education, employment and housing outcomes for young people
 - Located opposite Goulburn Ovens Institute of TAFE campus and Latrobe University campus in Shepparton
- Fulfils the Government's election commitment



Building a better Victoria for vulnerable people