



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Communities**

Office for Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence

Webinar 15 September 2022

Webinar agenda

1. Project milestones
2. FDVRT Forum
3. Commissioning project
4. 16 Days in WA
5. Presentation: Claire Coni, Munda Mia - Cyrenian House
6. Question and answer

Project updates and milestones



- Expression of interest for the **Rapid Rehousing** initiative released on TendersWA on Monday 15 August, closing date was Friday 9 September.
- **Primary prevention** grants round released on TendersWA on Monday 15 August, closing date is Friday 30 September.
- **Youth Counselling Service** closing on TendersWA on 4th October 2022
- Consultation to inform design of the **Kimberley one stop hub** is ongoing with adapt and adopt workshops this week.

FDVRT



FDVRT online forum rescheduled from 22 September to Tuesday 11 October. Forum will provide opportunity to discuss:

- the FDVRT review and its findings;
- proposed enhancement of the FDVRT model;
- establishment of FDVRT Central and its role; and
- FDVRT governance (Operational Working Group and Executive Steering Group).

Commissioning



Deliverables -

1. a business case to Government for an uplift on funding for family and domestic violence refuges and safe houses, to address immediate viability and sustainability concerns. The draft business case is to be completed by September 2022; and
2. a family and domestic violence strategic commissioning plan, by 30 June 2023.

The **business case** will seek funding from Government to maintain existing service models. It is about providing the funding required to meet increasing cost of service delivery for women's refuges and safe houses to provide for sustainability of services through the life of their current contracts.

The **strategic commissioning plan** will provide direction about reform of existing family and domestic violence services funded by Communities (existing investment), the priorities for future investment towards an ideal state (desired outcomes) and the priorities for asset (building) redevelopment and refurbishment. In scope of this plan is all Communities contracts (service and grant agreements) for family and domestic violence services funded into the community sector and with Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations.



Business case

Objective: Sustainable funding for FDV women's refuges and safe houses over the life of the current contracts.

The business case will include:

- Financial analysis of the contemporary cost of operation for women's refuges and safe houses
- Mapping of current refuge and safe house funding, locations and service models
- Funding history, including reasons for service sustainability issues
- Evidence and explanation of:
 - The demand for women's refuges and safe houses – incl. service usage and unmet demand
 - Client profiles and the complexity of their needs
 - The support needed from both a victim/survivor and service provider perspective, including why intense support is required and the outcomes it enables.

Key inputs:

- Service funding and operating costs
- Data on:
 - All currently funded services – service models, capacity, assets and conditions by location
 - Contracting history
 - Service usage and client profiles
 - Unmet need (multiple indicators)
- Consultation findings from previous sector engagements
- Existing information and evidence from fatality reviews, oversight agency recommendations, and evaluation reports
- Further advice and insights from sector and key stakeholders

Progress to 15 September

To date:

- Two ERG workshops on 11 August and 1 Sept
- Data analysis (SHS and progress reports)
- Capacity mapping
- Census
- Two sector workshops held on 8 and 12 Sept

Next steps:

- Cost model for refuges and safe houses
- Commence write up of submission
- Jurisdictional scan

16 Days in WA



“Ending violence against women – it’s everybody’s business”

25 November to 10 December

[16 Days in WA \(www.wa.gov.au\)](http://www.wa.gov.au)

[Silent memorial march on 29 November](#)



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