

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...

ABOUT WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE WE NEED TO BE



The number of children involved in child protection is growing. More than ever, we need better supports for children, families and kin, as well as guardians, adoptive parents and other carers.

We need to change

The Permanency Support Program has been developed to support government and non-government practitioners to achieve permanent and safe homes where more children and young people can thrive.

Our challenge

THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE IS INCREASING



10,623
IN 2006



18,659
IN 2016

ABORIGINAL CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ARE OVER REPRESENTED



5.4% OF PEOPLE AGED 0-17 ARE ABORIGINAL

YET THEY MAKE UP



37% OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE (2016)

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE STAY IN CARE FOR AN AVERAGE OF



THE NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

WE NEED

660
FOSTER CARERS
TO MEET DEMAND IN 2017



The way forward

The NSW Government is:

INVESTING OVER \$1 BILLION

TO ACHIEVE SAFE AND PERMANENT HOMES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN CARE



PROVIDING **\$90 MILLION** IN EXTRA FUNDING TO HELP 900 CHILDREN STAY WITH THEIR FAMILIES



OF THESE PLACES FOR ABORIGINAL CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES



INTRODUCING **INTENSIVE THERAPEUTIC CARE** TO REPLACE RESIDENTIAL CARE



CREATING 50 NEW PERMANENCY COORDINATORS

TO SUPPORT CASEWORKERS ACHIEVE PERMANENCY GOALS WITHIN TWO YEARS



INTRODUCING **AN ADOPTION ALLOWANCE**

FOR THOSE WISHING TO ADOPT A CHILD IN CARE, AND WHO MAY REQUIRE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MEET THE CHILD'S NEEDS

LAUNCHING A NEW APPROACH TO THE RECRUITMENT, DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT OF **GUARDIANS, ADOPTIVE PARENTS AND OTHER CARERS**

