

# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW...



ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING TO BUILD AND SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY OF GUARDIANS, ADOPTIVE PARENTS AND OTHER CARERS

The NSW Government believes that every vulnerable child and young person has the right to a stable, permanent home for life, whether that is with his or her parents, extended family or kin, or through guardianship or open adoption.

## Our challenge



## THE NUMBER OF FOSTER CARERS WE NEED TO MEET DEMAND IN 2017

## The way forward

TOGETHER WITH THE SECTOR, FACS IS DEVELOPING A STRATEGY FOR:

- **SUPPORTING AND DEVELOPING** NEW AND EXISTING GUARDIANS, ADOPTIVE PARENTS AND OTHER CARERS
- **RECRUITING ADOPTIVE PARENTS WHO CAN PROVIDE LOVING, PERMANENT HOMES,** AND CARERS WHO CAN PROVIDE EMERGENCY AND RESPITE CARE, AND **SUPPORT PRESERVATION AND RESTORATION**



## OUR GOAL

WE'RE WORKING TO ENSURE EVERY CHILD HAS A PERMANENT FAMILY

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## TO BETTER SUPPORT GUARDIANS, ADOPTIVE PARENTS AND OTHER CARERS

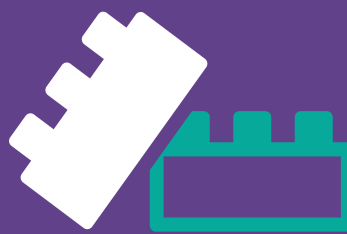
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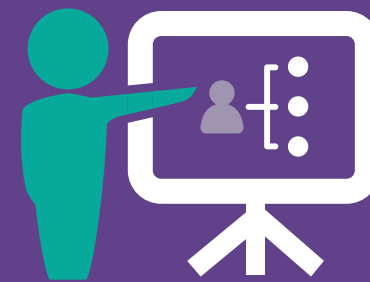
INTRODUCING AN **ADOPTION ALLOWANCE** FOR THOSE WISHING TO ADOPT A CHILD IN CARE, AND WHO MAY REQUIRE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MEET THE CHILD'S NEEDS



WORKING TO KEEP MORE **ABORIGINAL CHILDREN** AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR FAMILIES OR KIN



SETTING A MINIMUM AMOUNT FOR THE **CARER ALLOWANCE**



INTRODUCING **FLEXIBLE TRAINING** OPPORTUNITIES