

## NCOSS Pre-Budget Submission 2018-18

### The Western Sydney Picture

#### Children and young people

- 21% children live below the poverty line. Auburn has one of the highest child poverty rates in the state at 26.1.
- 27.4% young people aged 12-17 are overweight or obese.
- 27 in every 1000 children were involved in risk-of-significant-harm reports and 4 in 1000 were in out-of-home-care

#### Housing and homelessness

- 459 people per 100,000 are homeless.
- Over 10 years wait time for social housing in Auburn and Granville.

#### Aboriginal communities and the justice system

- 27% of people incarcerated in the Western Sydney region are Aboriginal.
- In 2016, 4.5% of Aboriginal people convicted of a driving offence in NSW were from the Western Sydney region.

#### Mental health

- Residents experience high or very high psychological distress at above average rates in South Western Sydney (13.2%) and Western Sydney (11.1%) The figures are higher for people aged 12-17.

#### Gender equity

- 2 week wait to see Financial Counsellor in Bankstown.

#### Disability

- The rate of profound or severe disability across the Southern NSW Murrumbidgee region (5.7%) is higher than the state average of 4.9%.