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### **NCOSS WELCOMES \$200 MILLION NOT-FOR-PROFIT SUPPORT PACKAGE**

The peak body for social services in NSW, NCOSS, has welcomed the NSW Government's \$200 million support package for Not-for-Profit organisations (NFPs).

As part of the package, the 30 per cent turnover threshold required for JobSaver will be reduced to 15 per cent for the social support sector and a \$50 million Social Sector Support Fund will be delivered for NFPs.

NCOSS CEO Joanna Quilty said this additional funding will provide vital support to NFPs who are helping the most vulnerable members of our community.

"This is a massive boost for frontline organisations dealing with rising demand due to the COVID situation throughout Greater Sydney and in our regions," Ms Quilty said.

"These local organisations have been working tirelessly throughout the pandemic, putting the needs of others before their own.

"Whether its emergency food relief, supporting women and children affected by family violence, checking in on young people struggling with their mental health, or providing disability or homelessness services, local providers are stretched.

"They have experienced increased demand for services against the backdrop of the pandemic and due to there being less support compared to last year, with the removal of the JobSeeker supplement by the Federal Government.

"This has shifted the demand on to local organisations, who are having to buy their own PPE to protect employees and clients, bring in extra staff to meet increasing need, provide emergency relief for households in dire situations and pay for other COVID expenses, on top of existing running costs.

"This funding will go a long way to support the heroes who are on the ground, supporting those who need it most.

"On behalf of social service organisations in NSW, thank you to the NSW Treasurer and Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services for this timely funding boost."

NCOSS understands further information about the implementation of the new package will be announced shortly.

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