

Carers SA is the recognised *Voice of Carers* in South Australia. Carers SA delivers the South Australian Government funded *Advocacy Impact Program*, provides state-funded services and support to Carers, and is the lead provider in South Australia of the federally funded Carer Gateway.

Commitments and State Budget support sought for South Australian Carers across the following key focus Areas:

Carer Recognition¹:

- Implementation of the recommendations emerging from the Review of the South Australian Carer Recognition Act 2005.
- Development of a South Australian Carer Strategy and SA Carers Action Plan incorporating the feedback and outcomes of the Review of the SA Carer Recognition Act.
- Provide resources to support SA Government departments and agencies, who are considered agencies under the SA Carer Recognition Act, in the implementation and roll out of the SA Carer Strategy and SA Carers Action Plan.
- Set in place meaningful measures and public reporting on South Australian Carer Recognition progress.
- Adopt a meaningful, co-design approach with Carers in the development of services and policy across all areas of Government business that connect with Carers.
- Embed a South Australian Ministerial Carer Advisory Group.
- Build budget and resource capacity within strategic operations of the South Australian Government to pursue, take part in and support state and federally funded projects and committees that further a collaborative service approach to Carer services and progresses increased Recognition for Carers.

Young Carers:

- Provide for a Young Carer focussed cross departmental and stakeholder working party to inform the provision of meaningful support to Young Carers achieving their educational goals.
- Address funding gaps in the provision of services and support for Young Carers, ensuring interventions and support models are based on child and adolescent development and wellbeing research.

Cost of Living Pressures:

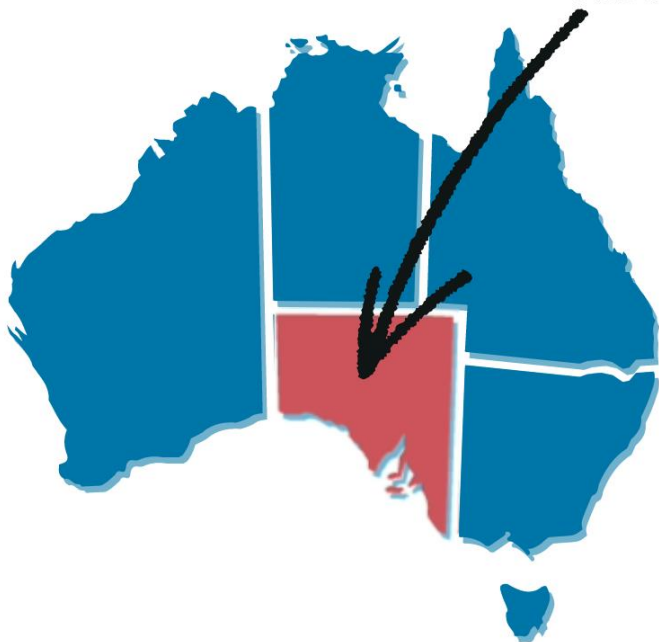
- Address Carers' cost of living pressures by extending eligibility criteria for SA Government funded concessions to include Carers.

¹ Additional information and details are listed in the Carers SA submission to the Review of the South Australian Carer Recognition Act 2005, available via <https://www.carerssa.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Carers-SA-2023-Submission-Review-SA-Carers-RecAct-2005-publication-final.pdf>

Number of Carers in SA (SA Carers/ABS data snapshot)

245,000

Carers in South Australia



Nearly
30,000

Young Carers
UNDER 25 YEARS
in South Australia



The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS 2015) calculated

28,000

Young Carers aged between
15-24 YEARS

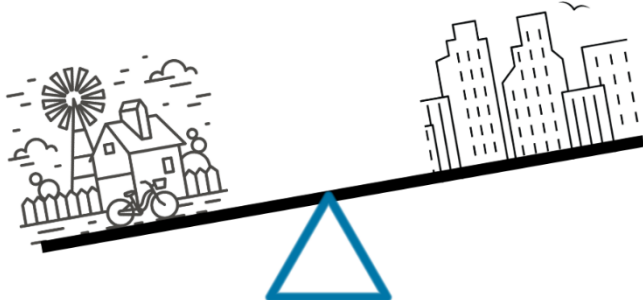


60,000

Carers live in rural/regional SA
(25%)

185,000

Carers live in Adelaide Metro Area
(75%)



45%

of Carers in SA
are aged between

45-64 YEARS



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