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Hon Paula Bennett
Minister for Social Development
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WELLINGTON

Dear Minister

Thank you for your submission of Budget initiatives in Vote Social Development for consideration by Budget Ministers as part of the Budget 2014 process.

Budget 2014 initiatives

Budget Ministers have considered your Budget initiatives and have reached the following decisions:

The following initiatives are supported in full:

- Funding for Social Service Provision in Youth One Stop Shops (YOSS) – funded through Vote Health
- Additional funding for specialist sexual violence sector – funded through Vote Health
- Canterbury Earthquake Temporary Accommodation Service (CETAS)
- Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Fund (Canterbury Social Support Fund)
- Transfer of Social Housing Needs Assessment
- Budget Services Funding Review Package
- Reviewable Tenancies
- Housing Support Fund
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- Children's Action Plan
- Child, Youth and Family – Vulnerable Children's Bill Implementation
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- Expanding the Young Enterprise Scheme
- Labour mobility: 3K to Christchurch Initiative

The following initiatives, sponsored by other Ministers, are supported:

- Enabling Good Lives Demonstration in Hamilton – funded through Vote Health
- ICT graduate programmes to meet the needs of enterprise
- Funding to deliver changes to loan eligibility for foundation-level education
- Promotion and Maintenance of New Zealand Sign Language

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- Debt Collection Strategy: Simplification and Task Management – funded from baselines
- Improving outcomes and managing the liability (Investment Approach) – [7]
- Child, Youth and Family – Care Strategy

Summary of supported Budget 2014 initiatives:

\$millions		Operating					Capital
ID	Initiative Name	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	Total
7949	Funding for Social Service Provision in Youth One Stop Shops (YOSS)*	-	1.570	2.350	2.350	2.350	-
7974	Additional funding for specialist sexual violence sector*	-	5.200	5.200	-	-	-
7995	Canterbury Earthquake Temporary Accommodation Service (CETAS)	-	1.250	1.010	-	-	-
7997	Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Fund (Canterbury Social Support Fund)	-	5.250	3.750	2.750	1.750	-
8001	Transfer of Social Housing Needs Assessment	-	16.696	16.782	15.409	15.409	16.400
8009	Budget Services Funding Review Package	-	4.000	6.000	6.000	6.000	-
8094	Reviewable Tenancies	-	0.572	1.106	1.768	1.709	1.810
8011	Debt Collection Strategy: Simplification and Task Management	-	-	-	-	-	(34.000)
7977	Improving outcomes and managing the liability (Investment Approach)	-	25.000	25.000	25.000	25.000	-
7999	Housing Support Fund	-	1.000	1.800	2.600	2.600	-
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8022	Children's Action Plan	(1.500)	16.350	-	-	-	-
8317	Child, Youth and Family – Vulnerable Children's Bill Implementation	-	2.532	-	-	-	-
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8318	Child, Youth and Family	-	13.659	-	-	-	-
7973	Enabling Good Lives Demonstration in Hamilton*	-	1.100	1.360	1.360	-	-
8307	ICT graduate programmes to meet the needs of enterprise	-	-	0.059	0.303	0.478	-
8350	Funding to deliver changes to loan eligibility for foundation-level education	-	0.459	-	-	-	-
\$millions		Operating					Capital
ID	Initiative Name	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	Total
7970	Promotion and	-	1.250	1.250	1.250	1.250	-

	Maintenance of New Zealand Sign Language						
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8461	Expanding the Young Enterprise Scheme	-	0.500	1.000	1.000	1.000	-
8463	Labour mobility: 3K to Christchurch Initiative	-	3.500	-	-	-	-

* Funded through Vote Health

The following initiative in Vote Housing has been supported on the basis of a partial contribution from Vote Social Development through the use of funds that would usually be returned to the centre:

- Community Group Housing.
 - Community group housing is predominately used by health and social development services and it is expected to have an \$8.8 million rent shortfall in 2014/15. The Vote Social Development contribution of up to \$2.773 million in 2014/15 is supported, and will be funded through the 2013/14 departmental underspends that would usually be returned to the centre. The use of departmental underspends for community group housing will have no impact on the ability of the Ministry to deliver the activity that it is currently planning in 2013/14 as these funds would otherwise be returned to the centre. The change to appropriations will occur at the October Baseline Update once the audited accounts for 2013/14 have been finalised. There are no changes to appropriations at Budget 2014 for the Vote Social Development contribution. Vote Housing and Vote Health are collectively contributing \$6.027 million in 2014/15 towards the rent shortfall.

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Please note that final decisions on all Budget initiatives will be made by Cabinet on 14 April 2014.

Yours sincerely

Hon Bill English
Minister of Finance