

Overview of the Queensland Government Domestic and Family Violence Funding and Investment Model

Since 2015-16, the Queensland Government has invested **\$328.9 million** over six years to respond to the *Not Now, Not Ever: Putting an end to domestic and family violence in Queensland* report (NNNE). With this record investment, the Queensland Government is committed to ensuring the best mix of services is delivered to Queensland communities.

This document provides a high-level overview of the Queensland Government Domestic and Family Violence Funding and Investment Model (the Model).

Background

The development of the Model is a key action of the Domestic and Family Violence (DFV) Prevention Strategy 2016-2026 and its second action plan, and aligns with recommendations 71, 72 and 73 of NNNE.

What is the Domestic and Family Violence Investment Model?

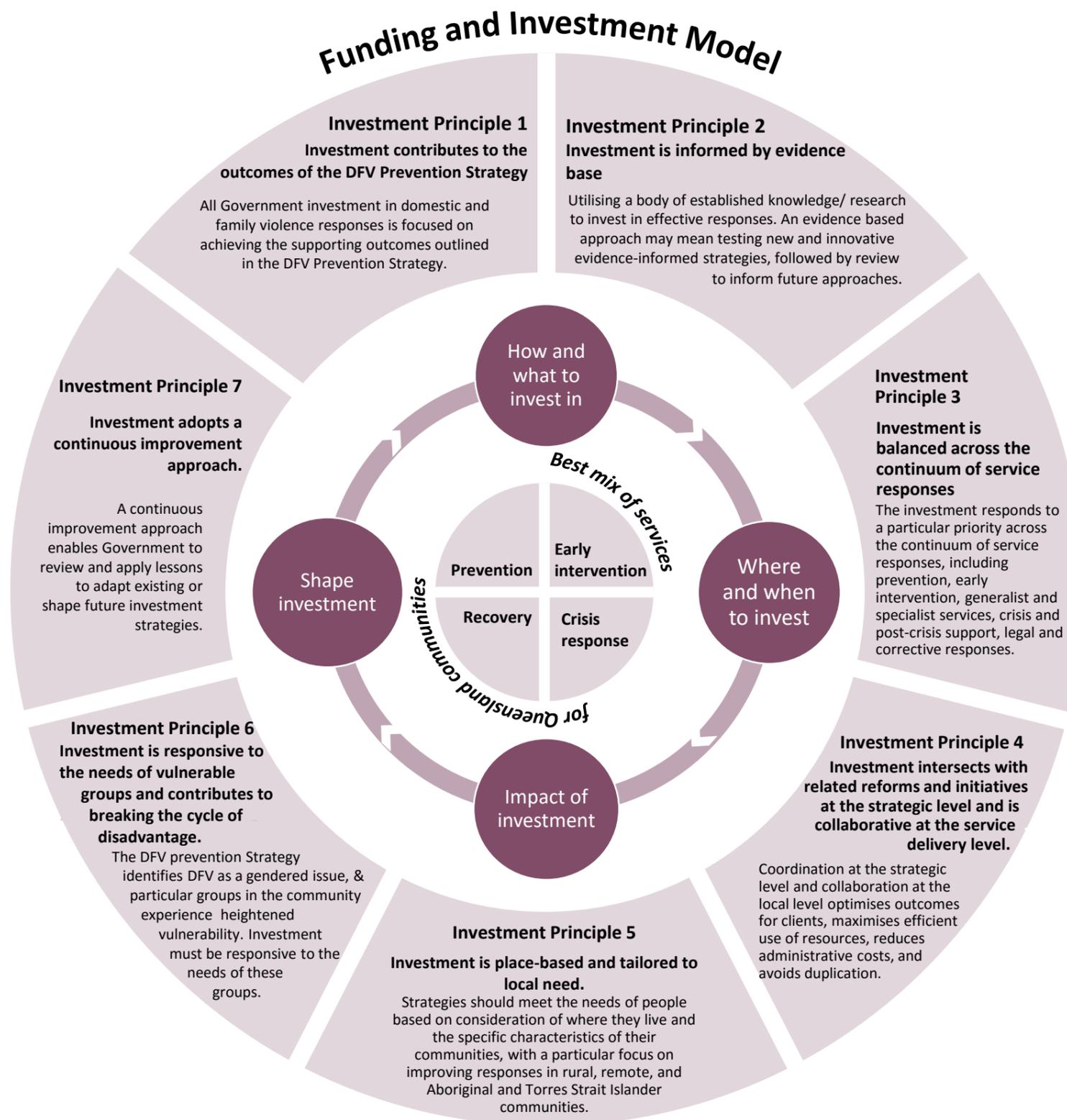
The Model is a whole-of-government approach to investing in services that support victims of DFV and hold perpetrators to account. It supports decisions about new and existing investment across Government.

A comprehensive and integrated response to DFV requires investment in specialist DFV services as well as generalist services. It also includes investment in time-limited enabling activities, such as legislative reform.

The Model prompts agencies to consider **how and what** to invest in, **where and when** to invest, the **impact** of investment, and how to **shape investment** to achieve the vision of a Queensland free from DFV.

The Model supports decisions for investment across the full continuum of service responses, spanning the following investment categories:

- **Prevention** – including communication and engagement programs, event grants and technology solutions
- **Early intervention** – including counselling, sector development, grants and reform project
- **Crisis response** – including crisis accommodation, specialist legal and support services, court support, safety upgrades and integrated service response
- **Recovery** – including perpetrator intervention programs, counselling and stepdown recovery services.



Key principles

The Model is underpinned by **seven investment principles**, which will be used to support coordinated and considered decision-making about where, when and how to invest in responses to DFV. The principles align with the vision and supporting outcomes of the DFV Prevention Strategy and incorporate a particular focus on the needs of rural, remote and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities across Queensland.

How will Government agencies use the Model?

Government agencies will use the Model and investment principles to guide their investment decision making. An **investment mapping and analysis tool** has been developed to support agencies to make informed decisions.

What does the Model mean for service providers?

The Model will provide service providers with a transparent overview of the Government's investment across the continuum of service responses, and the principles underpinning decision making about where future investment will be prioritised.

How will the Model shape investment?

The Model operates within the rolling program of the DFV Prevention Strategy and associated action plans. The Model will build over time, supporting the long-term optimal and sustainable allocation of funding across the continuum of service responses.

The Model provides a platform for reviewing existing and new investment on an annual basis, to inform investment decisions and reflect changing needs and evidence. In doing so, four key considerations will be taken into account:

- **How and what to invest in** – how the investment contributes to the supporting outcomes of the DFV Prevention Strategy and responds to the needs of vulnerable groups.
- **Where and when to invest** – tailoring investment to the needs of communities, and aligning with the DFV Prevention Strategy and action plans.
- **The impact of investment** – focusing on continuous service improvement, as well as utilising and building the evidence base.
- **How to shape investment** – ensuring investment is balanced across the continuum of service responses toward the vision of a Queensland free from DFV.

Queensland Government DFV reform timeline

