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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2023-2024

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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Mrs Elizabeth Kikkert MLA : To ask the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence

Ref: Budget paper 3, page 349

Hearing Date: 19 July 2023

In relation to: Pilot programs for children and young people

(1) What pilot programs for children and young people who are victim-survivors of domestic and family violence will be funded by the ACT Government?

- (a) When will the pilot programs be anticipated to commence?
- (b) What is the anticipated duration of each pilot program?
- (c) How many participants will be part of each pilot program?
- (d) How much funding has been allocated to each pilot program?
- (e) Who will be delivering each pilot program?

MINISTER BERRY: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

(1) The ACT Government is funding the following pilot programs for children and young people who are victim-survivors of domestic and family violence:

- Children's response to family violence (for children aged 5-12)
- Solid Ground pilot (for young people aged 11-18)

- (a) The children's response to family violence pilot commenced in February 2023. The Solid Ground pilot commenced in May 2023.
- (b) The children's response to family violence pilot is anticipated to continue until at least May 2024. The Solid Ground pilot is anticipated to continue until at least September 2024.
- (c) The children's response to family violence pilot is a groupwork program and can accommodate up to 10 children per group. The Solid Ground pilot is a groupwork program and can accommodate up to 12 participants per group. For both pilots, multiple groups can operate in parallel and participant numbers vary over time and between groups.
- (d) The children's response to family violence pilot has been allocated \$352,770. The Solid Ground pilot has been allocated \$278,243.
- (e) The children's response to family violence pilot is delivered by the Australian Childhood Foundation. The Solid Ground pilot is delivered by Canberra Police Community Youth Club.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2023-2024

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Date:

08/08/23

By the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence, Yvette Berry MLA