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Senator Siewert asked:

What is being done about other gaps in services and support for vulnerable young people?
Is there any funding for complementary support services?

Answer:

People on income management are able to access Financial Management Program Services. These services are free, voluntary and confidential services that provide young people with practical support either one-to-one, or through money management courses and workshops.

The Department funds the Reconnect program which uses community-based early intervention services to assist young people aged 12 to 18 years who are homeless, or at risk of homelessness, and their families. Reconnect assists young people stabilise their living situation and improve their level of engagement with family, work, education, training and their local community.

Additional funding has also been provided to Communities for Children programs in all income management areas.