MAKE MENTAL HEALTH COUNT
Prevention & community support saves lives & money

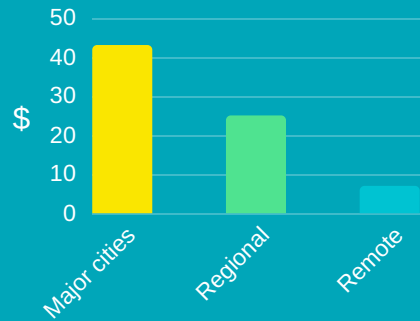**25 years old** — 25% / 75%
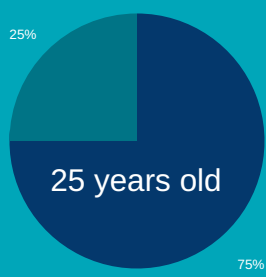
75% of mental health issues emerge by the age of 25

1 in 5 people experiences mental health issues
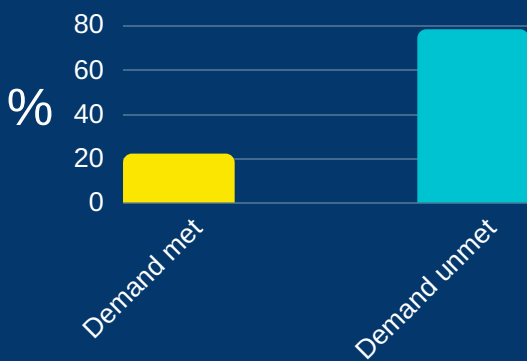
$60B

Cost to the Australian economy of mental health issues

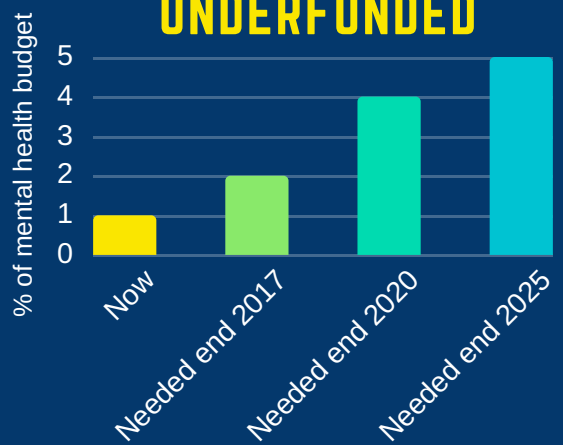Suicide is the leading cause of death for 5-17 and 15-44 age groups

Medicare funding per person on mental health services

Bar chart: $ axis (0–50); Major cities, Regional, Remote

COMMUNITY SUPPORT IS UNDERFUNDED

Bar chart: % axis (0–80); Demand met, Demand unmet

PREVENTION IS UNDERFUNDED

Bar chart: % of mental health budget (1–5); Now, Needed end 2017, Needed end 2020, Needed end 2025

WITHOUT EFFECTIVE SUPPORTS
✖ Increased mental health problems
✖ Increased homelessness
✖ Increased demand for acute services
✖ Increased suicide
✖ Increased costs

WITH EFFECTIVE SUPPORTS
✔ Decreased social and economic costs
✔ Decreased demand for acute services
✔ Better mental health
✔ Better outcomes
✔ Better value

PREVENTION, EARLY INTERVENTION & COMMUNITY SUPPORT SAVES MONEY

✔ Save **$84K** per person per year with supported housing

✔ Increase employment from **23% to 61%** with support

✔ Save **$45K - $674K** per person over 9 years with early treatment

✔ Save **$1.4 - $2.4** for every $1 spent to prevent imprisonment

BACK THE PLAN - BUILD A BETTER FUTURE.
MENTAL HEALTH RECOVERY WORKS.