

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Topic: Budget: Women's Leadership Development program

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Senator Cash asked:

Budget Paper No. 2 2011-2012 under Gender Equality in the Workplace (p. 190), sets out that the \$11.2 million funding to EOWA 'will be partially offset by a redirection of funding from the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs of \$3.1 million from the Women's Leadership Development Program.'

Please outline the functions of the Women's Leadership Development Program.

Answer:

The Women's Leadership and Development Strategy supports gender equality outcomes by:

- coordinating whole of government policy advice on gender equality
- planning and implementing research on gender equality issues
- supporting women to contribute to Government policy and decision-making, and
- supporting women's economic security and leadership.