

# Key recommendations

→ **To ensure people can cover basic costs, the Federal Government must:**

- Lift income support payments to at least \$73 a day, including JobSeeker, Youth Allowance, Austudy, Abstudy, Special Benefit and Parenting Payment. The Federal Government must deliver an increase in the October budget to address the severe crisis facing people on these income support payments.
- Index income support to wages as well as the Consumer Price Index, to ensure payments maintain pace with community living standards over the long term.
- Increase Commonwealth Rent Assistance by 50% to reduce rental stress, noting housing costs are the biggest household cost.
- Establish a disability and illness supplement of at least \$50 a week to recognise the additional costs that people with disability and chronic illness face.
- Establish a single parent supplement that recognises the additional costs of single parenthood. This supplement should increase as children get older, given the cost of children rises as they age.