

Fact sheet

Towards a new strategy for women in NSW: public consultation

Four years ago, we released the NSW Women's Strategy 2018–2022. As that Strategy comes to an end, we are asking women what matters most for the next NSW Women's Strategy.

The NSW Women's Strategy 2018–2022 set a clear path for progress

It set a goal of:

Advancing economic and social equality in NSW

The Strategy also set a vision that:

Women and girls in NSW have full access to opportunity and choice, their diversity is recognised, they are valued for their contribution and are able to participate in all aspects of life freely and safely.

Women and girls in NSW are supported by government and the community to achieve this vision.

In the four years since that Strategy was released:

- Our society has a better understanding of the issues affecting women and support for more action
- Women have been affected by bushfires, floods, and the health and social impacts of COVID-19
- The NSW Government put in place many strategies to assist women and invested billions of dollars in targeted programs.

The three focus areas

The 2018–2022 NSW Women's Strategy established three focus areas:

- Economic opportunity and advancement
- Health and wellbeing
- Participation and empowerment.

We are asking women to reflect on these three areas.

Refreshing our direction: how to have your say on the new Strategy

We are now asking the people of NSW to shape the direction and priorities of the next NSW Women's Strategy. Getting the Strategy right relies on input from many women with different experiences and views, so we can hear about what matters most.

We have produced a Discussion Paper that presents some facts and early thinking about the key directions for women.

You can have your say about what is important for the next NSW Women's Strategy in any of the following ways:

- Complete the online survey at the 'Have Your Say' website. This survey includes the consultation questions listed below, with the multiple choice options. Answer as many or as few as you would like.
- Answer our 'Quick Poll' questions on the 'Have Your Say' website.
- If you have a disability or require translation or other support to have your say, email us at womennsw@dpc.nsw.gov.au and someone will be in contact with you.
- Keep an eye out for public consultation sessions, which will be promoted on the 'Have Your Say' website, on our [website](#), and through partners. Each consultation has a cap on the number of participants.
- In limited cases we can accept submissions. If you would like to make a submission, email us at womennsw@dpc.nsw.gov.au to let us know.

All contributions must be received by 5:00pm on Monday 20 June 2022.

These are the questions we would like you to answer

1. Since 2018, which improvements in gender equality in NSW have been most important for you? [multiple choice]
2. Since 2018, which programs, partnerships or initiatives have made a difference for women and girls in NSW? If you know, tell us who ran them. [open ended]
3. Which are the most important issues that need to be addressed to create a positive future for women and girls? [multiple choice]
4. How did the COVID-19 pandemic affect key areas of your life? [multiple choice]
5. How has COVID-19 changed your priorities? [multiple choice]
6. To improve your health and wellbeing, what support do you need the most? [multiple choice]
7. Which health issues would you like to see more research and information on for women? [multiple choice]
8. How well do workplaces manage health and related issues for women? [multiple choice]
9. What else could be done to create safe and respectful workplaces that support gender equality? [open ended]
10. What could be done to ensure diverse women and girl's voices are heard? [open ended]
11. What could be done to change attitudes towards women and girls, especially to challenge stereotypes and overcome biases? [open ended]
12. What could men and boys do to contribute to gender equality in NSW? [open ended]
13. What else is important to include in the strategy? [open ended]

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