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LABOR'S FAIRER TAX AND BETTER FAMILY PAYMENTS PLAN: GOOD NEWS FOR NEWCASTLE FAMILIES

Labor's Fairer Tax and Better Family Payment plan will take the financial pressure off families in Newcastle.

This is a fantastic package for Newcastle families who will get a fairer deal under Labor's comprehensive plan for tax and family payment reform:

- 90% of Novocastrians on incomes below \$52,000 will get a tax cut of up to \$8 a week, while higher income earners will still get the recent budget tax cut and be rewarded for their retirement savings
- 9 out of 10 Newcastle families will get more family support with battling families who need the most help getting up to \$130 a week extra; and
- all families will be freed from the Howard government's family payments debt trap – this is great news for the estimated 3,500 Newcastle families that can expect another debt notice after the election
- single income families will be able to split part of their income and lower their tax burden
- jobless families will get more help to find work with up to 50,000 jobless families moving from welfare to work and 72,000 new jobs created

Labor's plan is a win for fairness, a win for jobs and a win for the economy and a big win for Newcastle families

At the moment families who work hard are punished. Labor's plan will reward hard work, leaving each family to decide what the best work arrangement is for them.

If both parents choose to work there's a fairer tax relief and family payments when they're needed – fortnightly, when the bills come in.

Labor's plan will take the financial pressure off Newcastle families – they deserve a break after wearing the brunt of John Howard's user-pays policies for the last eight and a half years.

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