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SOUTHERN ADELAIDE FAMILIES TO BENEFIT

15,423 local families in Southern Adelaide will benefit from the immediate financial support delivered in the Rudd Government's Economic Security Strategy.

Families will receive a one-off payment of \$1,000 for each eligible child in their care, to be paid from 8 December 2008.

Across the country, around 3.9 million children – whose families receive Family Tax Benefit (A) or dependent children who receive Youth Allowance, Abstudy or a benefit from the Veterans Children's Education Scheme payment – will benefit.

"This is a big boost for Southern Adelaide families who are trying to balance the family budget in the face of rising cost of living and a global financial crisis," Ms Rishworth MP, Federal Labor Member for Kingston said today.

Three quarters of all families with dependent children will be eligible for assistance.

"This is about delivering for the people in our community who need it most."

This decisive action is part of the Rudd Government's \$10.4 billion Economic Security Strategy to strengthen the Australian economy and support families during the global financial crisis.

The global financial crisis is placing increasing pressure on family budgets already stretched by the rising cost of living.

The Rudd Government is taking decisive action to strengthen the Australian economy.

"Working families are the driving force of our economy, and our kids are our future.

"This is an investment in our national economy – and in our local community right here in Southern Adelaide, Ms Rishworth MP said.