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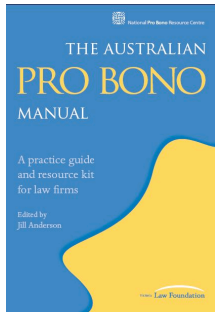
1 Federal Government allocates \$1m over four years for the Centre

In last night's budget, the Federal Government allocated \$1m. over the next four years for the work of the Centre thus securing its future beyond 1 July 2005. The funding, announced by the Attorney-General in a [news release](#), will enable the Centre to continue its work in promoting and supporting the delivery of pro bono legal services in Australia.

The Centre, based at the University of NSW, commenced operation in August 2002 after a federal government tender for its establishment was won by the Public Interest Advocacy Centre in NSW. The Centre was incorporated as a separate company in October 2002 and since then has had its own [Board of Directors](#) and an [Advisory Council](#).

We would like to extend many thanks to all those people who sent submissions to the Attorney-General outlining the Centre's achievements and urging continued funding for the Centre. If there are things you think we ought to be doing please let us know.

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