



Delivering for the Gascoyne



The McGowan Government is delivering for the Gascoyne, providing cost-of-living support for Gascoyne residents while investing significantly in health, housing, and WA's transition to cleaner, stronger, reliable, and affordable energy.

The 2023-24 Budget features a massive \$11.2 billion investment in regional infrastructure, as well as billions more in regional service delivery.

The State Budget includes \$4 billion in Royalties for Regions expenditure over the next four years, supporting important initiatives right across the regions. This includes new spending of \$358 million towards initiatives that strengthen regional communities and ensure services remain close to where people live.

Regional Western Australians will benefit from the McGowan Government's \$715 million commitment to deliver further cost-of-living relief, including **providing every WA household with a \$400 electricity credit** and additional targeted support totalling \$826 for households who need it most.

As part of its commitment to keeping power and water affordable for all Western Australians, the McGowan Government will spend \$2.7 billion over the next four years to subsidise the costs of providing water and electricity to regional residents.

Investing in Regional Health and Mental Health

- More than \$2.2 billion per annum on regional health and mental health services
- \$28.5 million for initiatives to attract and retain key health and mental health professionals, primarily to work in regional WA, including paying of up to \$12,000 of HECS-HELP loans for newly qualified nurses and midwives commencing employment in regional WA
- \$24.4 million to extend the Mental Health Emergency Telehealth Service, providing 24/7 mental health support and allowing country doctors to make referrals whenever needed

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$61.6 million boost to Government Regional Officer Housing to refurbish existing properties and add new supply
- \$49 million to partner with community housing providers to provide 100 homes across regional WA in a supported landlord model, for people in regional WA experiencing rough sleeping
- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State
- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program

Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the Gascoyne

- \$10 million to super-charge Exmouth's transition to renewable energy
- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services

- \$40 million Sustainable Geoscience Investments package to accelerate critical minerals discoveries, ensuring Western Australia is well-placed to grasp economic opportunities as the world works towards a net zero future
- \$2.2 million to deliver an Electric Vehicle Smart Charger and Vehicle-to-Grid trial through Horizon Power
- \$7 million to expand the Southern Rangelands Revitalisation project, supporting pastoralists in Gascoyne to manage climate change impacts
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$22.2 million to assist industry transition to the mandatory sheep and goat electronic identification (eID) system to bolster WA's animal biosecurity defences
- \$20.2 million to extend vital drought resilience initiatives helping future-proof Western Australian farms
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$3 million to extend the Affordable Airfares program for a further twelve months, subsidising over 34,000 airfares from Perth to Exmouth, Broome and Kununurra to stimulate visitation
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$10 million for upgrades to tourism infrastructure at Mount Augustus, currently underway
- \$7.4 million towards upgrades at the Carnarvon fascine, with 16 new floating pens complete, and planning underway for dredging at the fascine entrance

Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for WA apprentices and trainees who are required to travel long distances off-the-job for their training, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$110 to \$150 per night above the 26th parallel, and \$70 to \$100 per night below the 26th parallel
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week with a travel allowance of up to \$500 per training block in the Gascoyne
- \$5.8 million to extend the successful Driving Access and Equity program to deliver driver training to disadvantaged young people

Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads, which has to date sealed shoulders and installed audible edges to 1,021 kms of roads in the Gascoyne - Mid West region
- \$20.7 million boost to the highly-successful Regional Airfare Zone Cap, that caps airfares at \$199 one way for regional residents living within 1,000 kms driving distance from Perth, including for travel from Perth to Monkey Mia and Carnarvon, and \$299 for residents living over 1,000 kms, including travel between Perth and Exmouth

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- Continuing work to bring regional road maintenance jobs back in-house to Main Roads, which will see 490 jobs created across regional WA, with a new depot established in Carnarvon

Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in Carnarvon
- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$10.4 million to support the extension and enhancement of the Banned Drinkers Register, including its rollout into Carnarvon
- \$2.3 million to support Gwoonwardu Mia Aboriginal Cultural Centre in Carnarvon
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- An additional \$42.6 million for upgrades to water and wastewater systems in remote communities
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$8.7 million towards repairing the Carnarvon One Mile Jetty with planning underway

Delivering for the Goldfields-Esperance

The McGowan Government is delivering for the Goldfields-Esperance region, providing cost-of-living support for Goldfields-Esperance residents while investing significantly in health, housing, and WA's transition to cleaner, stronger, reliable, and affordable energy.

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Investing in Regional Health and Mental Health

- More than \$2.2 billion per annum on regional health and mental health services
- \$28.5 million for initiatives to attract and retain key health and mental health professionals, primarily to work in regional WA, including paying of up to \$12,000 of HECS-HELP loans for newly qualified nurses and midwives commencing employment in regional WA
- \$24.4 million to extend the Mental Health Emergency Telehealth Service, providing 24/7 mental health support and allowing country doctors to make referrals whenever needed
- \$8.2 million to upgrade WA Country Health Service staff housing, including safety and security upgrades
- \$6.3 million to extend regional cancer services
- \$6.7 million to continue Regional Renal Support Teams
- \$3.1 million to support the palliative care workforce and enhance end of life choices for terminally ill patients in the regions

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$28 million to deliver a new Laverton Hospital

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$61.6 million boost to Government Regional Officer Housing to refurbish existing properties and add new supply
- \$49 million to partner with community housing providers to provide 100 homes across regional WA in a supported landlord model, for people in regional WA experiencing rough sleeping
- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State
- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- Residential land release through our \$166 million regional land booster program, which has seen around 45 additional lots released in Kalgoorlie

Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the Goldfields-Esperance

- \$2.8 billion investment to transition Western Australia's energy system for a low-carbon future
- Upgrades to Western Power's east region network as part of a \$126 million investment to kickstart the energy grid's transition to net zero and facilitate the green energy boom
- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services
- \$40 million Sustainable Geoscience Investments package to accelerate critical minerals discoveries, ensuring Western Australia is well-placed to grasp economic opportunities as the world works towards a net zero future
- \$7 million to expand the Southern Rangelands Revitalisation project, supporting pastoralists in Goldfields to manage climate change impacts
- \$22.2 million to assist industry transition to the mandatory sheep and goat electronic identification (eID) system to bolster WA's animal biosecurity defences
- \$20.2 million to extend vital drought resilience initiatives helping future-proof Western Australian farms
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$2.2 million to deliver an Electric Vehicle Smart Charger and Vehicle-to-Grid trial through Horizon Power
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for WA apprentices and trainees who are required to travel long distances off-the-job for their training, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$70 to \$100 per night
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week with a travel allowance of up to \$500 per training block in the Goldfields-Esperance region
- \$5.8 million to extend the successful Driving Access and Equity program to deliver driver training to disadvantaged young people
- \$6.8 million for upgrades at Agricultural Colleges around the State, including Esperance

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$10 million for a new Heavy Plant and Engineering Trades workshop at Central Regional TAFE's Kalgoorlie campus, under construction
- \$1 million for a STEM classroom upgrade at Kalgoorlie-Boulder Community High School, underway

Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads, which has to date sealed shoulders and installed audible edges to 1,633 kms of roads in the Goldfields-Esperance region
- \$20.7 million boost to the highly-successful Regional Airfare Zone Cap, that caps airfares at \$199 one way for regional residents living within 1,000 kms driving distance from Perth, including for travel from Perth to Kalgoorlie, Leonora, Laverton, Wiluna and Esperance
- \$7.4 million for road upgrades at Esperance Port
- \$6.5 million for upgrading cranes at Esperance Port
- \$17.4 million for major technology upgrades at the Southern Ports Authority

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$150 million over the next four years to continue works to seal priority sections of the Outback Way
- \$200 million for the Agricultural Supply Chain Improvement program, for freight rail upgrades including 11 rail siding upgrades, with projects currently under construction
- Continuing work to bring regional road maintenance jobs back in-house to Main Roads, which will see 490 jobs created across regional WA, with new depots being established in Kalgoorlie and Esperance

Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in Kalgoorlie
- \$6.2m to continue the Mara Pirni Healing Place, a one-stop Family and Domestic violence hub in Kalgoorlie
- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$10.4 million boost for the Banned Drinkers Register, including its continuation across Goldfields towns
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- An additional \$42.6 million for upgrades to water and wastewater systems in remote communities
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$5 million towards the upgrade of the Niels Hansen Basketball Stadium, underway



Delivering for the Great Southern



The McGowan Government is delivering for the Great Southern, providing cost-of-living support for Great Southern residents while investing significantly in health, housing, and WA's transition to cleaner, stronger, reliable, and affordable energy.

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Investing in Regional Health and Mental Health

- More than \$2.2 billion per annum on regional health and mental health services
- \$2.1 million to provide an extra 100 carparking bays at Albany Health Campus;
- \$28.5 million for initiatives to attract and retain key health and mental health professionals, primarily to work in regional WA, including paying of up to \$12,000 of HECS-HELP loans for newly qualified nurses and midwives commencing employment in regional WA
- \$24.4 million to extend the Mental Health Emergency Telehealth Service, providing 24/7 mental health support and allowing country doctors to make referrals whenever needed
- \$6.3 million to extend regional cancer services
- \$6.7 million to continue Regional Renal Support Teams
- \$3.1 million to support the palliative care workforce and enhance end of life choices for terminally ill patients in the regions

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$61.6 million boost to Government Regional Officer Housing to refurbish existing properties and add new supply
- \$49 million to partner with community housing providers to provide 100 homes across regional WA in a supported landlord model, for people in regional WA experiencing rough sleeping
- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State
- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$6 million for the Spencer Park renewal project in Albany, which will see new homes delivered, refurbishments to existing homes and improve street lighting and footpaths, underway

Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the Great Southern

- \$2.8 billion investment to transition Western Australia's energy system for a low-carbon future
- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services
- \$4 million to support the activation of the Yerriminup Agribusiness Precinct
- \$22.2 million to assist industry transition to the mandatory sheep and goat electronic identification (eID) system to bolster WA's animal biosecurity defences
- \$20.2 million to extend vital drought resilience initiatives helping future-proof Western Australian farms
- \$5 million to expand the WaterSmart Farms program to support small-scale desalination projects on farms in the region
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$18.8 million to continue the Healthy Estuaries WA program to improve water quality in estuaries across the region
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- Upgrades to tourism infrastructure including \$3.3 million for upgrades at The Gap and \$3.2 million for trails at Mount Adelaide and Mount Clarence, currently underway

Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for WA apprentices and trainees who are required to travel long distances off-the-job for their training, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$70 to \$100 per night
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week with a travel allowance of up to \$500 per training block in the Great Southern
- \$6.8 million for upgrades at Agricultural Colleges around the State, including Kojonup, Mount Barker and Denmark

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$22.2 million for a new trade's workshop at South Regional TAFE's Albany campus, currently under construction
- \$17.5 million for upgrades at Albany Senior High School, currently under construction
- \$1.5 million for a new STEM classroom at North Albany Senior High School, planning underway
- \$1.5 million for a STEM classroom upgrade at Mount Barker Community College, planning underway

Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion

- \$20.7 million boost to the highly-successful Regional Airfare Zone Cap, that caps airfares at \$199 one way for regional residents living within 1,000 kms driving distance from Perth, including for travel from Perth to Albany
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads, which has to date sealed shoulders and installed audible edges to 536 kms of roads in the Great Southern region
- \$37 million towards the Menang Drive-Chester Pass Road grade separation project
- An additional \$40 million towards the Albany Ring Road, bringing the total to \$215 million
- \$17.4 million for major technology upgrades at the Southern Ports Authority
- \$6.8 million to upgrade electrical infrastructure at the ports of Albany and Bunbury

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$200 million for the Agricultural Supply Chain Improvement program, for freight rail upgrades including 11 rail siding upgrades, with projects currently under construction

Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in Albany
- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$1.6 million for major upgrades to the Albany Surf Life Saving Club, planning underway

Delivering for the Kimberley



The McGowan Government is delivering for the Kimberley, providing cost-of-living support for Kimberley residents while investing significantly in health, housing, and WA's transition to cleaner, stronger, reliable, and affordable energy.

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Investing in Regional Health and Mental Health

- More than \$2.2 billion per annum on regional health and mental health services
- \$5.4 million to continue delivery of important psychiatric services in the East Kimberley
- \$28.5 million for initiatives to attract and retain key health and mental health professionals, primarily to work in regional WA, including paying of up to \$12,000 of HECS-HELP loans for newly qualified nurses and midwives commencing employment in regional WA
- \$24.4 million to extend the Mental Health Emergency Telehealth Service, providing 24/7 mental health support and allowing country doctors to make referrals whenever needed
- \$8.2 million to upgrade WA Country Health Service staff housing, including safety and security upgrades
- \$6.3 million to extend regional cancer services
- \$6.7 million to continue Regional Renal Support Teams
- \$3.1 million to support the palliative care workforce and enhance end of life choices for terminally ill patients in the regions

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$25.1 million for a new renal dialysis centre in Halls Creek, currently underway

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$61.6 million boost to Government Regional Officer Housing to refurbish existing properties and add new supply
- \$49 million to partner with community housing providers to provide 100 homes across regional WA in a supported landlord model, for people in regional WA experiencing rough sleeping
- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State
- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program
- An additional \$1.3 million through the North-West Aboriginal Health Fund to deliver more affordable accommodation for medical service employees in Halls Creek

Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the Kimberley

- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services
- \$31.3 million for an Industry Support and Transition Package and to support management of the Buccaneer Archipelago Marine Parks
- \$8.7 million to facilitate further agricultural development in the Ord River Irrigation Area through managing environmental obligations
- \$2.2 million to deliver an Electric Vehicle Smart Charger and Vehicle-to-Grid trial through Horizon Power
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$3 million to extend the Affordable Airfares program for a further twelve months, subsidising more than 34,000 airfares from Perth to Broome and Kununurra to stimulate visitation
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$36.3 million towards a new boating facility in Broome, planning currently underway

Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- \$3.5 million to expand the successful Heavy Vehicle Driving Operations training program to the Kimberley and Pilbara
- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for WA apprentices and trainees who are required to travel long distances off-the-job for their training, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$110 to \$150 per night above
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week with a travel allowance of up to \$1,000 per training block in the Kimberley
- \$5.8 million to extend the successful Driving Access and Equity program to deliver driver training to disadvantaged young people

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$4.4 million for canteen upgrades and a new STEM classroom at Broome Senior High School, planning underway
- \$10 million for a new classroom block and upgrades at Halls Creek District High School, planning underway
- \$25.6 million major upgrade to Derby District High School, construction underway

Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads, which has to date sealed shoulders and installed audible edges to 2,067 kms of roads in the Kimberley region

- \$20.7 million boost to the highly-successful Regional Airfare Zone Cap, that caps airfares at \$299 one way for regional residents living over 1,000 kms driving distance from Perth, including for travel from Perth to Broome and Kununurra
- An additional \$15 million to upgrades on the Great Northern Highway, Ord River North project, bringing the total to \$113 million, with stages 1 and 2 complete and planning for stage 3 underway
- \$15 million for upgrades at the Port of Broome, including a new concrete deck
- \$1.8 million for electrical upgrades at the ports of Wyndham and Derby
- \$800,000 to lock in a permanent third weekly return air service between Kununurra, Halls Creek and Balgo, following a successful two-year trial
- \$1.35 million to ensure the continuation of the State Government subsidised flight between Broome and Derby
- \$2.3 million to seal Warmun airstrip to facilitate more reliable health clinical flights into the community

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$51 million to upgrade Duncan Road and Gordon Downs Road in the Browns Range, currently under construction
- \$141 million for the Gibb River Road upgrades, between Derby and Wyndham
- \$110 million over the next four years for upgrades to Tanami Road, near Sturt Creek, with planning underway

Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$13.4 million towards a taskforce to manage and support recovery, following the destructive flooding caused by ex-Tropical Cyclone Ellie, building on the multi-million-dollar support packages secured under joint Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements
- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.8 million towards the Kimberley Juvenile Justice Strategy, including continuing successful night patrols and structured activities for young people and a new Immediate Response Safe Space initiative for street-present youth in Broome
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in Broome, Derby and Kununurra, and establishing programs in Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing
- \$16.3 million to establish a one-stop family and domestic violence hub in Broome, delivering on a key election commitment for the Kimberley
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$10.4 million boost for the Banned Drinkers Register, including its continuation across Kimberley towns
- \$9.5 million to consolidate accommodation for WA Police and the departments of Communities and Justice in Kununurra
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- An additional \$42.6 million for upgrades to water and wastewater systems in remote communities
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$15 million to deliver the Marlamanu on-country diversionary program, currently underway
- \$6 million towards the redevelopment of the Kununurra Aquatic and Leisure Centre, planning underway
- \$2.3 million for upgrades to the Warmun Community sporting facility, planning underway



Delivering for the Mid West



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- \$8.2 million to upgrade WA Country Health Service staff housing, including safety and security upgrades
- \$6.3 million to extend regional cancer services
- \$6.7 million to continue Regional Renal Support Teams
- \$3.1 million to support the palliative care workforce and enhance end of life choices for terminally ill patients in the regions

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$122.7 million towards the Geraldton Health Campus redevelopment, construction underway

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$61.6 million boost to Government Regional Officer Housing to refurbish existing properties and add new supply
- \$49 million to partner with community housing providers to provide 100 homes across regional WA in a supported landlord model, for people in regional WA experiencing rough sleeping
- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State
- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program
- \$8.3 million towards operating the \$27.8 million Geraldton Aboriginal Short Stay Accommodation, anticipated to open in 2025

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$9 million for the Spalding Urban Renewal Project in Geraldton, construction underway on stage two
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Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the Mid West

- \$2.8 billion investment to transition Western Australia's energy system for a low-carbon future including funding for a potential expansion of Bright Energy Investments' Warradarge wind farm
- Upgrades to Western Power's north region network as part of a \$126 million investment to kickstart the energy grid's transition to net zero and facilitate the green energy boom
- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services
- \$40 million Sustainable Geoscience Investments package to accelerate critical minerals discoveries, ensuring Western Australia is well-placed to grasp economic opportunities as the world works towards a net zero future
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- \$22.2 million to assist industry transition to the mandatory sheep and goat Electronic Identification (eID) system to bolster WA's animal biosecurity defences
- \$20.2 million to extend vital drought resilience initiatives helping future-proof Western Australian farms
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$350 million for the Geraldton Port Maximisation Project, including a new berth and a multi-user storage facility, planning underway
 - \$54.5 million for a Mid West Hydrogen Hub with planning underway, including \$14.5 million for an access road to help activate the Oakajee Strategic Industrial Area
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Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- \$9 million for an education support facility at Waggrakine Primary School
- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for WA apprentices and trainees who are required to travel long distances off-the-job for their training, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$70 to \$100 per night
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week with a travel allowance of up to \$500 per training block in the Mid West
- \$6.8 million for upgrades at Agricultural Colleges around the State, including Morawa
- \$5.8 million to extend the successful Driving Access and Equity program to deliver driver training to disadvantaged young people

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$1.5 million for a new STEM classroom at Geraldton Senior High School, planning underway
 - \$1.5 million for a new STEM classroom at Champion Bay Senior High School, planning underway
 - \$1 million for a STEM laboratory upgrade at Kalbarri District High School, planning underway
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Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads, which has to date sealed shoulders and installed audible edges to 1,021 kms of roads in the Mid West - Gascoyne region
- \$20.7 million boost to the highly-successful Regional Airfare Zone Cap, that caps airfares at \$199 one way for regional residents living within 1,000 kms driving distance from Perth, including for travel from Perth to Geraldton, Mount Magnet and Meekatharra
- \$10 million for works at Geraldton Fishing Boat Harbour
- \$7.2 million for upgrades at Geraldton Port

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- Continuing work to bring regional road maintenance jobs back in-house to Main Roads, which will see 490 jobs created across regional WA, with a new depot established in Geraldton
 - \$400,000 for a new jetty and pens at Batavia Coast Marina
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Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in Geraldton
- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$9.2 million to support ongoing recovery from TC Seroja
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women



Delivering for the Peel Region



The McGowan Government is delivering for the Peel region, providing cost-of-living support for Peel residents while investing significantly in health, housing, and WA's transition to cleaner, stronger, reliable, and affordable energy.

The 2023-24 Budget features a massive \$11.2 billion investment in regional infrastructure, as well as billions more in regional service delivery.

The State Budget includes \$4 billion in Royalties for Regions expenditure over the next four years, supporting important initiatives right across the regions. This includes new spending of \$358 million towards initiatives that strengthen regional communities and ensure services remain close to where people live.

Regional Western Australians will benefit from the McGowan Government's \$715 million commitment to deliver further cost-of-living relief, including **providing every WA household with a \$400 electricity credit** and additional targeted support totalling \$826 for households who need it most.

As part of its commitment to keeping power and water affordable for all Western Australians, the McGowan Government will spend \$2.7 billion over the next four years to subsidise the costs of providing water and electricity to regional residents.

Investing in Regional Health and Mental Health

- More than \$2.2 billion per annum on regional health and mental health services
- \$28.5 million for initiatives to attract and retain key health and mental health professionals, primarily to work in regional WA, including paying of up to \$12,000 of HECS-HELP loans for newly qualified nurses and midwives commencing employment in regional WA

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$152 million redevelopment and expansion of the Peel Health Campus, and bring it into public hands

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State
- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$28.1 million for an expanded Common Ground facility to accommodate and support vulnerable people in Mandurah, planning underway

Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the Peel

- \$2.8 billion investment to transition Western Australia's energy system for a low-carbon future
- \$18.8 million to continue the Healthy Estuaries WA program to improve water quality of estuaries across the region

- \$36 million to create dozens of new jobs to help deliver on the historic decision to end native logging
- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services
- \$22.2 million to assist industry transition to the mandatory sheep and goat eID system to bolster WA's animal biosecurity defences
- \$20.2 million to extend vital drought resilience initiatives helping future-proof Western Australian farms
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$2.4 million to complete the Waroona Town Centre Revitalisation project
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for WA apprentices and trainees who are required to travel long distances off-the-job for their training, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$70 to \$100 per night
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week
- \$6.8 million for upgrades at Agricultural Colleges around the State, including Pinjarra and Coodanup

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$1.5 million for a new STEM classroom at Halls Head College, planning underway
- \$11.2 million for a new performing arts centre and sports hall at Pinjarra Senior High School, currently under construction, plus \$1.5 million for a new STEM classroom

Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$72 million for the new Lakelands METRONET station, due to open in June
- \$250 million for the Pinjarra heavy haulage deviation, planning currently underway
- \$110 million to duplicate Mandurah Estuary bridge, planning currently underway

Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in Mandurah

- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$20 million towards the Keirnan Park Recreation Precinct development, planning underway



Delivering for the Pilbara



The McGowan Government is delivering for the Pilbara, providing cost-of-living support for Pilbara residents while investing significantly in health, housing, and WA's transition to cleaner, stronger, reliable, and affordable energy.

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As part of its commitment to keeping power and water affordable for all Western Australians, the McGowan Government will spend \$2.7 billion over the next four years to subsidise the costs of providing water and electricity to regional residents.

Investing in Regional Health and Mental Health

- More than \$2.2 billion per annum on regional health and mental health services
- \$28.5 million for initiatives to attract and retain key health and mental health professionals, primarily to work in regional WA, including paying of up to \$12,000 of HECS-HELP loans for newly qualified nurses and midwives commencing employment in regional WA
- \$24.4 million to extend the Mental Health Emergency Telehealth Service, providing 24/7 mental health support and allowing country doctors to make referrals whenever needed
- \$6.3 million to extend regional cancer services
- \$6.7 million to continue Regional Renal Support Teams
- \$3.1 million to support the palliative care workforce and enhance end of life choices for terminally ill patients in the regions

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$61.6 million boost to Government Regional Officer Housing to refurbish existing properties and add new supply
- \$49 million to partner with community housing providers to provide 100 homes across regional WA in a supported landlord model, for people in regional WA experiencing rough sleeping
- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State
- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- Residential land release through our \$166 million Regional Land Booster program, which has seen around 80 additional lots released in Karratha

Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the Pilbara

- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services
- \$35 million boost to the Industrial Land Development Fund, to develop business cases and commence de-constraining activities for Strategic Industrial Areas in the Pilbara
- \$40 million Sustainable Geoscience Investments package to accelerate critical minerals discoveries, ensuring Western Australia is well-placed to grasp economic opportunities as the world works towards a net zero future
- \$2.2 million to deliver an Electric Vehicle Smart Charger and Vehicle-to-Grid trial through Horizon Power
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$300 million in asset investment to facilitate the job-creating Perdaman urea project, including upgrading the Dampier Cargo Wharf, Burrup Seawater Supply Scheme and roads in the Burrup Strategic Industrial Area
- \$129.1m towards the expansion of Lumsden Point at the Port of Port Hedland, plus \$565 million from the Commonwealth Government to deliver new multi-user facilities and berths that will help diversify trade in the Pilbara and support the growth of renewable industries
- \$187.5 million for the Port Hedland Spoilbank Marina, currently under construction

Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- An additional \$20.4 million towards the redevelopment of Roebourne District High School, bringing the total investment to \$72.4 million
- \$3.5 million to expand the successful Heavy Vehicle Driving Operations training program to the Pilbara and Kimberley regions
- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for WA apprentices and trainees who are required to travel long distances off-the-job for their training, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$110 to \$150 per night
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week with a travel allowance of up to \$1,000 per training block in the Pilbara
- \$5.8 million to extend the successful Driving Access and Equity program to deliver driver training to disadvantaged young people

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$48.9 million for a major upgrade including new trades training facilities at North Regional TAFE's Pundulmurra campus in South Hedland, under construction
- \$3.5 million expansion of Baler Primary School, planning underway
- \$4.5 million for a new classroom block at Cassia Primary School, with construction starting in 2024

Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads, which has to date sealed shoulders and installed audible edges to 986 kms of roads in the Pilbara region
- Free public transport on the first Sunday of every month on TransRegional Sunday bus services, including in Karratha
- \$20.7 million boost to the highly-successful Regional Airfare Zone Cap, that caps airfares at \$299 one way for regional residents living over 1,000 kms driving distance from Perth, including for travel from Perth to Karratha, Port Hedland, Newman and Paraburdoo

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$380 million for the Manuwarra Red Dog Highway between Karratha and Tom Price, with Stage 3 complete and planning for Stage 4 underway
- \$107.5 million to upgrade three key rail crossings in Hedland - a joint BHP, Commonwealth and WA Government project that is currently under construction
- Continuing work to bring regional road maintenance jobs back in-house to Main Roads, which will see 490 jobs created across regional WA, with a new depot being established in Port Hedland

Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in the Pilbara
- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$10.4 million boost for the Banned Drinkers Register, including its continuation across Pilbara towns
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- An additional \$42.6 million for upgrades to water and wastewater systems in remote communities
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women



Delivering for the South West



The McGowan Government is delivering for the South West, providing cost-of-living support for South West residents while investing significantly in health, housing, and WA's transition to cleaner, stronger, reliable, and affordable energy.

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As part of its commitment to keeping power and water affordable for all Western Australians, the McGowan Government will spend \$2.7 billion over the next four years to subsidise the costs of providing water and electricity to regional residents.

Investing in Regional Health and Mental Health

- More than \$2.2 billion per annum on regional health and mental health services
- \$7.1 million to establish a pilot an Infant, Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service Hub in Bunbury
- \$18.3 million to develop the new South West Aboriginal Medical Service Health Hub in Bunbury
- \$28.5 million for initiatives to attract and retain key health and mental health professionals, primarily to work in regional WA, including paying of up to \$12,000 of HECS-HELP loans for newly qualified nurses and midwives commencing employment in regional WA
- \$24.4 million to extend the Mental Health Emergency Telehealth Service, providing 24/7 mental health support and allowing country doctors to make referrals whenever needed
- \$8.2 million to upgrade WA Country Health Service staff housing, including safety and security upgrades
- \$6.3 million to extend regional cancer services
- \$6.7 million to continue Regional Renal Support Teams
- \$3.1 million to support the palliative care workforce and enhance end of life choices for terminally ill patients in the regions

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$277.9 million for the Bunbury Regional Hospital redevelopment, currently underway

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$61.6 million boost to Government Regional Officer Housing to refurbish existing properties and add new supply
- \$49 million to partner with community housing providers to provide 100 homes across regional WA in a supported landlord model, for people in regional WA experiencing rough sleeping
- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State

- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$5 million for the Withers renewal project in Bunbury, which will see improved amenity with refurbishments to existing homes, and improved street lighting, footpaths and road access, underway

Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the South West

- \$2.8 billion investment to transition Western Australia's energy system for a low-carbon future, including funding to deliver a battery energy storage system in Collie, potentially one of the world's biggest battery systems
- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services
- \$18.8 million to continue the Healthy Estuaries WA program to improve water quality of estuaries across the region
- \$36 million to create dozens of new jobs to help deliver on the historic decision to end native logging in the South West
- \$1.5 million to map climate risk and resilience for rivers in the South West
- \$22.2 million to assist industry transition to the mandatory sheep and goat electronic identification (eID) system to bolster WA's animal biosecurity defences
- \$20.2 million to extend vital drought resilience initiatives helping future-proof Western Australian farms
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$662 million Collie Transition Package to attract new industries and create new local jobs in preparation for the retirement of State-owned coal fired power stations
- \$78.1 million for the Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront project, with Stage 2 complete and Stage 3 currently underway

Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for regional TAFE students, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$70 to \$100 per night
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week with a travel allowance of up to \$500 per training block in the South West
- \$6.8 million for upgrades at Agricultural Colleges around the State, including Margaret River, Harvey and Manjimup
- \$810,000 to extend the South West End-to-End Young Driver Training Program to help disadvantaged young people get their driver's license

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$8.2 million for a new design and technology block at Eaton Community College, planning underway
 - \$1 million for a STEM laboratory upgrade at Dalrymple College, planning underway
 - \$1 million for upgrades at Donnybrook District High School, planning underway
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Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads, which has to date sealed shoulders and installed audible edges to 1,202 kms of roads in the South West region
- Free public transport on the first Sunday of every month on TransRegional Sunday bus services, including in Bunbury
- \$17.4 million for major technology upgrades at the Southern Ports Authority
- \$6.8 million to upgrade electrical infrastructure at the ports of Albany and Bunbury
- \$5.7 million for upgrades at Berth 8 at Bunbury Port

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$1.35 billion Bunbury Outer Ring Road, currently under construction
 - \$115 million Bussell Highway duplication, currently under construction
 - Continuing work to bring regional road maintenance jobs back in-house to Main Roads, which will see 490 jobs created across regional WA, with a new depot being established in Manjimup
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Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in Bunbury
- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$8 million towards additional indoor multi-use courts in Bunbury
- \$3 million towards the Leschenault Leisure Centre indoor court expansion, planning underway
- \$8 million towards the redevelopment of Hands Oval in Bunbury, construction underway
- \$6 million towards the Donnybrook and Districts Sporting and Recreation Precinct, planning underway



Delivering for the Wheatbelt



The McGowan Government is delivering for the Wheatbelt, providing cost-of-living support for Wheatbelt residents while investing significantly in health, housing, and WA's transition to cleaner, stronger, reliable, and affordable energy.

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As part of its commitment to keeping power and water affordable for all Western Australians, the McGowan Government will spend \$2.7 billion over the next four years to subsidise the costs of providing water and electricity to regional residents.

Investing in Regional Health and Mental Health

- More than \$2.2 billion per annum on regional health and mental health services
- \$28.5 million for initiatives to attract and retain key health and mental health professionals, primarily to work in regional WA, including paying of up to \$12,000 of HECS-HELP loans for newly qualified nurses and midwives commencing employment in regional WA
- \$24.4 million to extend the Mental Health Emergency Telehealth Service, providing 24/7 mental health support and allowing country doctors to make referrals whenever needed
- \$8.2 million to upgrade WA Country Health Service staff housing, including safety and security upgrades
- \$6.3 million to extend regional cancer services
- \$6.7 million to continue Regional Renal Support Teams
- \$3.1 million to support the palliative care workforce and enhance end of life choices for terminally ill patients in the regions

Delivering Regional Housing

- \$61.6 million boost to Government Regional Officer Housing to refurbish existing properties and add new supply
- \$49 million to partner with community housing providers to provide 100 homes across regional WA in a supported landlord model, for people in regional WA experiencing rough sleeping
- \$450 million into the Social Housing Investment Fund to boost social housing across the State
- \$12 million over four years to deliver more development ready land throughout regional Western Australia, through the Regional Development Assistance Program

Delivering a cleaner, stronger future for the Wheatbelt

- \$2.7 billion investment to transition Western Australia's energy system for a low-carbon future, including funding for the King Rocks Wind Farm development
- Upgrades to Western Power's north and east region networks as part of a \$126 million investment to kickstart the energy grid's transition to net zero and facilitate the green energy boom
- \$77 million funding boost to manage and protect Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia, including support for new Local Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Services
- \$22.2 million to assist industry transition to the mandatory sheep and goat eID system to bolster WA's animal biosecurity defences
- \$20.2 million to extend vital drought resilience initiatives helping future-proof Western Australian farms
- \$5 million to expand the WaterSmart Farms program to support small-scale desalination projects on farms in the region
- \$10.4 million to boost Western Australia's emergency animal disease preparedness following overseas outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease and Lumpy Skin Disease
- \$7.6 million towards the Feral Cat Strategy to bolster the management of feral cats throughout regional WA
- \$6.5 million to implement the Western Australian Aquaculture Development Plan
- \$2 million from the New Industries Fund to support regional entrepreneurs in the innovation sector
- \$20 million to continue the Regional Economic Development Grants program, to drive economic development and support regional communities

Delivering a Pipeline of Skills

- \$2.5 million to increase the travel and accommodation allowance for WA apprentices and trainees who are required to travel long distances off-the-job for their training, doubling the travel subsidy to 40c per km and increasing the accommodation allowance from \$70 to \$100 per night
- \$2.9 million to provide eligible regional Diploma of Nursing students with financial support to undertake up to 400 hours of practical placement, including an allowance of \$350 per week with a travel allowance of up to \$500 per training block in the Wheatbelt
- \$6.8 million for upgrades at Agricultural Colleges around the State, including Cunderdin and Narrogin

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$10.4 million for a new Agricultural Machinery Training Centre at the Muresk Institute in Northam, under construction
- \$2.1 million for a new STEM laboratory and a primary science classroom at Merredin College, planning underway

Upgrading roads and transport networks

- A further \$407 million on regional road projects and initiatives being invested in this budget, bringing the total investment over the next four years to \$5.3 billion
- \$175 million boost to the jointly Commonwealth-State funded Regional Road Safety Program, to continue to deliver life-saving works on regional roads, which has to date sealed shoulders and installed audible edges to 1,212 kms of roads in the Wheatbelt region

Plus we are continuing to deliver...

- \$200 million for the Agricultural Supply Chain Improvement program, for freight rail upgrades including 11 rail siding upgrades, with projects currently under construction
- \$275 million for the Bindoon Bypass along Great Northern Highway, currently under construction

- \$80 million for upgrades to Toodyay Road, currently under construction
- \$250 million for upgrades to Great Eastern Highway between Coates Gully, Walgoolan to Southern Cross and Ghooli to Benari, currently under construction
- Continuing work to bring regional road maintenance jobs back in-house to Main Roads, which will see 490 jobs created across regional WA, with new depots established in Narrogin and Northam

Building Stronger, Safer Communities

- \$11.7 million to extend Operation Regional Shield, continuing to deliver police into regional communities experiencing youth crime issues
- \$11.7 million to continue the successful Target 120 youth early intervention program, including in Northam
- \$24.4 million to bolster the Department of Fire and Emergency Services natural disaster recovery team
- \$1.1 million to continue the Respectful Relationships Teaching Support Program and the provision of culturally appropriate services for victims of Family and Domestic Violence in regional areas
- \$4.9 million to continue the Regional Athlete Support Program to help regionally-based talented athletes meet their full potential
- \$700,000 to continue the Rural, Regional and Remote Network program to support regional women