



2016-17 BUDGET

AT A GLANCE

Your State Budget 2016-17

Securing Our Economic Future

- Additional \$50 million for Seizing the Opportunity – Agriculture initiative
- Additional \$47 million over four years for tourism events, conferences and destination marketing
- Additional \$20 million over four years for an innovation package to strengthen, broaden and build the Western Australian economy
- \$16 million over four years to establish a Western Australian Regional Film Fund
- Payroll tax-free threshold increases from \$800,000 to \$850,000 from 1 July 2016, benefiting over 11,000 businesses

Meeting Demand While Efficiently Delivering Quality Services

- \$266 million (4.8%) increase in 2016-17 for public hospital services
- \$81 million increase in education expenditure in 2016-17, providing a 3.3% increase in spending by schools
- \$67 million (5.1%) increase in spending on policing in 2016-17 to fulfil commitment to recruit 550 additional officers by end of 2016-17
- Additional \$15 million over two years for methamphetamine strategy, plus \$19 million for North West Drug and Alcohol Support Program
- New public sector wages policy caps increases in wages and conditions at 1.5%
- Extension of Agency Expenditure Reviews to 54 agencies

Supporting and Protecting Our Community

- \$147 million from 2015-16 to 2019-20 to meet growth in the prisoner population
- Additional \$26 million in 2016-17 to extend and expand National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) trials
- Additional \$50 million to meet demand for disability services outside of the NDIS
- \$13 million to continue the Mental Health Court Diversion Program
- \$10 million for Lathlain Park Precinct Redevelopment
- Additional \$9 million over three years for Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund
- \$5 million over four years for shark hazard mitigation initiatives and \$600,000 in 2016-17 for beach enclosures

Investing in Infrastructure to Support Our Growing State

- \$7.7 billion over next four years on transport infrastructure (34% of total infrastructure investment), including:
 - \$2 billion Forrestfield-Airport Link, scheduled to begin operations in 2020
 - \$1.5 billion towards the Perth Freight Link, due for completion in 2021-22
 - \$427 million for the \$1.9 billion MAX Light Rail project
 - \$145 million for dual carriageway on Armadale Road
 - \$49 million for Ellenbrook Bus Rapid Transit project
- \$1 billion over the forward estimates on school infrastructure, including:
 - new North Butler senior high school (\$67 million)
 - expansions at Shenton College (\$50 million) and Cape Naturaliste College (\$32 million)
 - continuing redevelopment of Carnarvon Community College (\$18 million)
- \$378 million over next four years for construction of the \$428 million New Museum
- \$1.2 billion Perth Children's Hospital due to open in late 2016

