



WA STATE BUDGET 2018-19

INVESTING IN THE KIMBERLEY

The McGowan Labor Government is putting the State to work, creating jobs for people in the Kimberley and turning the State's finances around. Implementation of Plan for the Kimberley is underway, focusing on the things that really matter to people in the region.

The State Budget includes \$4 billion in Royalties for Regions funding across the State, delivering important services to people in regional Western Australia.

The McGowan Labor Government will spend \$3.4 billion on infrastructure across regional WA.

SNAPSHOT

- \$200.2 million for **job-creating infrastructure in the Kimberley**
- \$21.5 million to continue the **Regional Youth Justice Services into the Kimberley and the Pilbara**
- \$1.5 million over three years for **capability building program for Aboriginal business** across the State to support the Aboriginal Procurement Policy
- \$22.5 million for the Regional Economic Development Grants Scheme to **drive economic development in regional Western Australia**
- \$20.5 million for the Target 120 program for **early intervention into young offenders**
- \$80 million to **enhance rural bushfire capacity** across the State through the new Rural Fire Division
- \$70 million **improvements to regional roads** across the State identified as high risk for runoff crashes

PROJECTS UNDERWAY IN THE KIMBERLEY

- \$9.7 million in funding to **upgrade boating facilities at Entrance Point and Town Beach**
- \$5.2 million for **new Aboriginal short stay accommodation in Broome**
- \$3.4 million for the **operation of the Indigenous Visitor Hostel in Derby**
- \$24.8 million towards the **delivery of the Kimberley Schools Project**
- \$16 million to continue the **Aboriginal Rangers Program over the next 4 years, to provide jobs looking after State parks and protected areas**
- \$19.3 million towards **upgrades to Broome Senior High School**
- \$65.7 million to continue work on **upgrades to Broome-Cape Leveque Road**
- \$4 million to **complete the sealing of Bidyadanga Road**
- \$7 million to **upgrade the Port of Broome to enable the cruise ship industry to grow**
- \$9.1 million over four years for **new swimming pools in remote communities**
- \$1 million to complete **planning for a new boat harbour in Broome**
- \$1.7 million over two years to **expand the Ear Bus Program in the Kimberley**
- \$33.6 million over four years towards **improvements of the Gibb River Road**
- More than \$110 million towards **upgrades of the Great Northern Highway in the Kimberley**
- \$810,000 towards the **West Kimberley Water for Food program**
- \$2.1 million towards **Kimberley Family Violence Services** to provide community based outreach services
- \$8 million towards **replacing ageing Volunteer Fire Stations in regional locations**, including Halls Creek
- \$11.4 million towards **conserving and enhancing tourism opportunities** at marine and national parks in the Kimberley

SUPPORTING REGIONAL WA

- \$18.5 million over four years for the **Regional Enforcement Unit** to increase traffic enforcement on country roads
- More than \$2 billion will be spent on the State's regional roads between 2018-19 and 2021-22
- \$39.7 million over four years to **boost tourism funding to showcase regional destinations**
- \$4.5 million over four years for **new and emerging regional businesses** as part of the New Industries Fund
- \$1.6 million over four years for the **Find Cancer Early program in regional areas**
- \$6.8 million over two years for **the renal dialysis program**
- \$182.3 million over four years for the **Patient Assisted Travel Scheme** to support regional Western Australians when they need to travel for medical treatment
- \$136 million over four years for the **Country Age Pension Fuel Card** and \$4 million for the **volunteer fuel card**
- \$37 million for **Community Resources Centres** across regional Western Australia
- \$24.8 million for the **Natural Resources Management Program**
- Putting education assistants and **Aboriginal and Islander Education Officers back into regional classrooms**
- Funding to put **Independent Learning Coordinators** in 10 regional schools will assist students undertaking courses through the School of Isolated and Distance Education
- Eight **Regional Learning Specialists** allocated to the **School of Isolated and Distance Education** to provide specialist classes for Year 11 and 12 students