

The McGowan Government is delivering its plan for the Gascoyne region, with funding in the State Budget to create local jobs and support the local economy, while delivering important community infrastructure and services.

The 2019-20 State Budget includes \$4.2 billion in Royalties for Regions funding across regional WA.

More than \$5.6 billion will be invested in regional infrastructure over the next four years

SNAPSHOT ON THE GASCOYNE

CREATING JOBS AND DELIVERING BETTER HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Additional \$5 million to build the **new 38-bed residential Aged and Palliative Care facility in Carnarvon**, bringing the total Budget allocation to \$16.6 million
- \$2.5 million of additional spending to **reopen the Gascoyne Aboriginal Heritage and Cultural Centre**
- \$6.7 million for **management and public recreation facilities for Ningaloo Reef**
- \$42.5 million in additional state-wide funding for the **Methamphetamine Action Plan**
- **\$12 million state-wide injection to Tourism WA** to expand promotion on Western Australia overseas
- \$11.3 million to **support and expand sustainable service delivery of PCYCs** across the State to reduce juvenile offending and improve community safety, including a **major re-development of Carnarvon PCYC**
- \$2.3 million package to **combat elder abuse**, including continued funding for the WA Elder Abuse Helpline
- \$8.1 million for the **Suicide Prevention Strategy**
- \$34.6 million for the roll out of **personal issue mobile smart tablets for police officers**
- \$15.4 million towards the **roll-out of personal issue multi-threat body armour to frontline police officers**
- \$4.8 million for **enhanced driver training and education for regional and remote communities**
- Investing an additional **\$713,000 to maintain regional bus services**
- \$19.9 million for the **Regional Arts and Cultural Investment program**
- Introduction of the **new Regional Taxi Transition Fund**
- **\$131.5 million additional state-wide expenditure to support agriculture in WA**, grow export markets and create long-term jobs, including \$39.6 million for the Boosting Biosecurity Defences, Asian Market Success and **Grains Research and Development support programs** (*In addition to the \$45 million for Grains Research and Development in the 2018-19 budget*)
- \$182.4 million state-wide funding for a new Employer Incentive Scheme and training delivery, including \$45 million for regional WA. The scheme will **help WA employers with the costs of employing apprentices and trainees**
- \$24.1 million in ongoing funding for the 'WA Open for Business' program to **promote export opportunities for regional businesses**

PROJECTS UNDERWAY OR COMPLETED IN THE GASCOYNE

- \$500,000 to complete the **Gascoyne Food Bowl project and drive new opportunities in horticulture**
- \$21.4 million to continue to deliver the **Carnarvon Community College**
- \$2.8 million on minor works at the **Denham Water Treatment Plant**
- \$2 million on inlet pipes at the **Carnarvon Brown Range Water Tanks**
- \$986,000 for the **Carnarvon Rangelands Barrier Fence**
- \$65 million across WA to continue to support **Community Resources Centres**
- \$18.7 million state-wide for the **Aboriginal Rangers Program** to provide jobs looking after State parks and protected areas
- \$170.5 million across regional WA to continue the **Country Age Pension Fuel Card** and \$5.1 million for the **Volunteer Fuel Card**
- \$1.8 million for redevelopment of **Carnarvon Hospital**