



WA STATE BUDGET 2019-20 DELIVERING FOR THE PILBARA

The McGowan Government is delivering its plan for the Pilbara 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 PILBARA

CREATING JOBS AND SUPPORTING THE ECONOMY

- \$310 million for the ongoing **construction of Karratha-Tom Price Road**
- \$1.33 million towards the **Murujuga Living Knowledge Centre and Tourism Precinct** at Conzinc Bay
- \$649,000 for the **implementation of the Murujuga Rock Art Strategy** to monitor, manage and protect the unique rock art on the Burrup Peninsula
- **\$12 million state-wide injection to Tourism WA** to expand promotion on Western Australia overseas
- 12-month extension for Utah Point pricing relief to **support junior iron ore miners in the region**
- \$24.1 million in ongoing funding for the **'WA Open for Business' program to promote export opportunities for regional businesses**
- **\$131.5 million additional 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**

DELIVERING BETTER HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

- \$42.5 million in additional funding for the **Methamphetamine Action Plan** including
 - \$20.1 million for the **North West Drug and Alcohol Support Program** to reduce the harm caused by alcohol and other drugs in the Pilbara, Kimberley and Mid-West
 - \$914,000 to **increase training for Aboriginal staff in Alcohol and other Drug (AOD) services**
- **\$13.8 million for specialist services**, including obstetrics, as part of the Pilbara Health Initiative, to enable patients to be treated closer to home
- \$1.3 million **for the construction of a new renal unit at the Newman Hospital**, which will house four renal dialysis chairs and supporting infrastructure
- \$8.6 million to **support the Karlarra House residential aged care facility in Port Hedland**
- \$6.5 million for the **Aboriginal Community Connectors** program to improve community safety and reduce community consequences of Alcohol and Other Drugs and related 'at risk' behaviours
- \$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**;
- \$11.3 million to **support and expand sustainable service delivery of PCYCs** across the State to reduce juvenile offending and improve community safety

- \$34.6 million for the **roll out of personal issue mobile smart tables 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**

PROJECTS UNDERWAY OR COMPLETED IN THE PILBARA

- \$7.8 million for **conservation projects in the Pilbara**
- \$46 million for the **Newman Health Service Redevelopment**
- \$21.5 million to continue delivery of Regional Youth Justice Services in the Pilbara and Kimberley
- \$7.8 million for the demolition and remediation works at the **Nickol Bay Hospital Site**
- \$5.3 million towards **Tom Price Hospital**
- \$85 million in funding towards the **Port Hedland marina and waterfront development**
- \$19.8 million towards the **Pilbara Aboriginal Town Based Reserves project**
- \$14.8 million towards the **Step Up/Step Down mental health facility in Karratha**
- \$18.7 million to **continue the Aboriginal Rangers Program over the next four years**, to provide jobs looking after State parks and protected areas
- \$5.5 million for the **Transforming Agriculture in the Pilbara initiative**
- \$3.6 million towards **enhancing educational outcomes in the Pilbara**
- \$65 million across WA to continue to **support Community Resources Centres**
- \$170.5 million across regional WA to continue the **Country Age Pension Fuel Card** and \$5.1 million for the **Volunteer Fuel Card**