

**Building safer communities is a job everyone can play a role in.**

The McGowan Labor Government is leading the agenda - creating safer communities, implementing its Methamphetamine Action Plan and protecting vulnerable children, families and seniors

## SAFER COMMUNITIES AT A GLANCE

- \$83.5m for additional police and specialist staff for **the Meth Border Force**.
- \$3.8m for the WA Police Force to **target roadside drug and alcohol testing**.
- \$18.2m for an **alcohol and other drug residential rehabilitation centre** in the South West and commence planning for a Kimberley centre.
- \$12m for **alcohol and drug residential and community based treatment facilities**.
- \$11.5m for the development of the **first dedicated drug and alcohol rehabilitation prison**.
- \$18.5m for the Regional Enforcement Unit to **increase traffic enforcement on country roads**.
- **Introduce additional 24/7 police stations** in Armadale, Cockburn and Ellenbrook.
- \$8.3m to **establish two additional women's refuges** for victims of family and domestic violence.
- \$7.4m to **reinstating and expanding financial counselling services** to support people in need.
- \$1.69m to **expand support services** to Aboriginal and Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CaLD) victims of family and domestic violence.



## TACKLING THE METH CRISIS

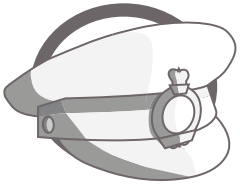
**Methamphetamine use is devastating - the extreme physical, psychological, and neurological damage to users is shocking and creates long-term problems for the wider community.**

The McGowan Labor Government is implementing the first stages of its State-wide, coordinated and targeted Methamphetamine Action Plan (MAP) which focuses on three equal pillars of prevention, protection and prosecution.

- \$83.5m for **the Meth Border Force** including the recruitment of 100 sworn police officers and 20 specialised intelligence staff.
- Funding of \$3.8m for the WA Police Force to **target roadside alcohol and drug testing** will help keep our roads safe and support police in catching more people under the influence.
- \$18m to **establish an alcohol and other drug residential rehabilitation centre in the South West** and \$200,000 to commence planning for a centre in the Kimberley.
- Invest an additional \$12m for **residential and community based treatment facilities**.
- Investing \$9.6m for a **fit-for-purpose drug and alcohol rehabilitation prison at Wandoo** plus an additional \$1.9m for dedicated drug testing capabilities.
- Invest \$2.4m to **establish a triage unit** to select prisoners who have been given short term sentences for drug related offences and direct them to the rehabilitation prison.
- Funding of \$360,000 for a **two-year trial of the Ice Breakers Program with Albany Police and Community Youth Centre** to support people moving from methamphetamine dependence into recovery.

**Drug use including methamphetamine can result in ongoing mental health issues.**

Please see the *Putting Patients First* fact sheet to learn more about health and mental health initiatives.



## INVESTING IN POLICE AND JUSTICE

**Stronger police presence and a boost to community safety will go a long way in helping people feel safe in their own homes and communities.**

The McGowan Labor Government is committed to keeping police stations open and ensuring police are accessible when the community needs them.

Delivering more police and criminal justice services that are responsive to community needs, reduces crime, delivers better response times and brings more offenders to justice is key to helping build stronger communities.

- \$18.5m to **establish the Regional Enforcement Unit** to increase traffic enforcement on country roads building a stronger police presence in the community.
- Investing \$6.5m will **deliver three more 24/7 police stations** at Armadale, Cockburn and Ellenbrook.
- \$300,000 to **complete minor works at Forrestfield, Belmont and Canning Vale police stations** to support the extended operating hours.
- \$8m for **a new Capel Police Station**.
- \$600,000 to **commence the development of the Target 120 program** to work with families to reduce the incidence of juvenile crime.



## INVESTING TO PREVENT FAMILY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

**Breaking the culture of violence in our families and communities through more education and prevention strategies will aim to help prevent family and domestic violence in WA.**

- \$8.3m to **establish two additional women's refuges**, with work to commence in 2018.
- **Reinstating and expanding Financial Counselling Services** with an extra \$7.4m of funding.
- Establish a **new family and domestic violence counselling service** in the Peel region.
- State Government funding for **the RSPCA to support a Pets in Crisis program**, which will help the victims of family and domestic violence look after their pets.
- **Deliver respectful relationship programs in schools** as part of a primary prevention program.
- Membership of **the national program Our Watch**, which will enable the State Government to leverage support through partnerships and access to research.
- Investing \$1.69m to **expand existing culturally appropriate services** to Aboriginal and Culturally and Linguistically Diverse victims of family and domestic violence.
- Planning funding to commence work to **establish an additional behavioural change service to support perpetrators of family and domestic violence**.

This is the first stage in the implementation of the McGowan Labor Government's plan to build safer communities. Planning and scoping of additional projects will be announced as part of subsequent budgets.