

**The McGowan Labor Government is committed to Regional WA, and is getting on with the job of delivering on its commitments to Albany.**

The State Budget includes \$4.0 billion in Royalties for Regions expenditure across the state, and will deliver on the things that really matter to the people of Albany.



## CREATING LOCAL JOBS

Diversify our economy and creating local jobs in Albany.

- \$19.5m invested in the Albany Renewable Energy Project, to ensure its future as a renewable energy city.
- Boosting tourism funding to showcase our regional destinations.
- \$250,000 to commence planning for important upgrades to the Bremer Bay Boat Harbour.
- \$40m investment in regional telecommunications to improve access to services.
- \$4.5m dedicated for regional new and emerging businesses as part of the New Industries Fund.
- \$27.9m boost to tourism funding to showcase our regional destinations.



## PUTTING PATIENTS FIRST

Delivering quality health care to the people of Albany.

- \$360,000 to fund a 2-year trial of Ice Breaker Program to provide support to people moving from methamphetamine dependence into recovery.
- Getting on with delivering WA's first Medihotel to make extended hospital stays more comfortable for patients from Albany who are required to travel to Perth for treatment.
- Investing \$1.6m to expand the Find Cancer Early Program into more regional areas.
- \$5.1m to expand the renal dialysis program.
- \$147.4m for the Patient Travel Assistance Scheme to support regional people when they are required to travel for treatment.



## INVESTING IN EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Investing in our schools, so every student receives a quality education.

- \$2.5m to replace transportables with permanent facilities at Flinders Park Primary School.
- \$3m towards upgrade of Mount Lockyer Primary School.
- Put Education Assistants back into the classroom and provide more support for teachers.
- Employ an additional 50 Aboriginal and Islander Education Officers in regional WA.
- Roll out the science program in regional primary schools.



## SAFER COUNTRY ROADS

Improving road safety in regional Western Australia and delivering key road projects for Albany.

- \$35m towards the completion of the Albany Ring Road.
- \$30m towards the upgrade of the South Coast Highway.
- \$18.5m for the Regional Enforcement Unit to increase traffic enforcement on country roads.



## SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES

Investing in services to support the Albany community.

- \$1m to the Albany Oyster Reef Restoration Project.
- \$6.92m for development of the Centennial Park Sporting and Event Precinct.
- \$5.75m contribution to the Albany Motorplex Development.
- \$250,000 contribution towards a feasibility study into the development of an artificial surfing reef.
- \$136m for the country aged pension fuel card and \$4m for the volunteer fuel card.
- \$14.6m Natural Resource Management Program to work with local communities to protect the environment.

## DELIVERING ON OUR COMMITMENTS

**The McGowan Labor Government is committed to all of our election commitments in the Regions. Planning has commenced for a number of projects not included as part of the 2017-18 Budget.** Funding for these projects will be announced in subsequent budgets.