



Keeping the Goldfields Strong

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The McGowan Labor Government is delivering on its plan to keep the Goldfields strong, with the State Budget investing billions to create quality local jobs, fund a pipeline of infrastructure works and deliver key services like health and education.

The 2021-22 State Budget includes a record \$9.1 billion investment in regional infrastructure with only 9 per cent of this funded through Royalties for Regions. \$2 billion is being invested into electricity and water subsidies to ensure regional residents pay the same price or similar for these essential services and \$463 million for regional school bus services. \$4.2 billion has been allocated to Royalties for Regions over next four years.

On top of this we are investing billions into health, education, police and other key services in regional WA. We're delivering our Plan for the Goldfields to keep the regional economy growing, while delivering on our election commitments for the local community.

The 2021-22 State Budget is working to deliver a strong and vibrant region, with quality local services that give people every reason to live, work and raise a family in the Goldfields.

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Delivering commitments to keep the community active, healthy and connected

- ✔ **\$19.8 million Regional Airfare Zone Cap** to make airfares more affordable for regional residents
- ✔ **\$1 million** to upgrade and expand **Kalgoorlie's CCTV network**
- ✔ **\$5 million** upgrade to the **Niels Hansen Basketball Stadium**
- ✔ **\$2.1 million** for a new **Youth Precinct** in the **Kalgoorlie City Centre**
- ✔ **\$1.2 million** upgrade to **Kalgoorlie Fire Station**
- ✔ **\$14 million** to continue the **Aboriginal Community Connectors** program, including in **Kalgoorlie**
- ✔ **\$17.8 million** for an additional **36 career firefighters**, including an allocation in **Kalgoorlie**



Investing in a quality education for young people in the Goldfields

- ✔ **\$1 million** for a new **STEM classroom** at **Kalgoorlie-Boulder Community High School**
- ✔ **\$485,000 STEM upgrade** and primary science at **Kambalda West District High School**
- ✔ Investment into **science** resources for **Boulder Primary School, Kalgoorlie School of the Air** and the region's **District High Schools** and **Remote Community Schools**
- ✔ **\$35,000** for oval reticulation at **South Kalgoorlie Primary School**



Quality healthcare closer to home



- ✔ **\$1.9 billion** additional investment in **health and mental health**, with more doctors and nurses in **regional WA**
- ✔ **\$1.78 million** to employ a **permanent GP** at the **Goldfields Women's Health Care Centre**
- ✔ **\$2.8 million** to construct a **therapy centre** in **Kalgoorlie** for **children with special needs**
- ✔ **\$19.7 million** to **PATS** to expand the eligibility of patient support escorts and increase accommodation subsidies from \$60 to \$100 per night
- ✔ **\$10.9 million** to the **Royal Flying Doctor Service** to upgrade aircraft
- ✔ **\$17.6 million** towards **social and emotional well-being services** for Aboriginal people in the regions and **\$9.2 million** to extend **Strong Spirit Strong Mind**
- ✔ An **additional five paid paramedics** in **Kalgoorlie** and one in **Laverton**

Revitalising WA's TAFE sector and addressing skills needs

- ✔ Continuing the **Lower Fees, Local Skills** program, which has seen an **increase of 32% in enrolments** in the **Goldfields-Esperance** region in 2021
- ✔ Delivering the **\$10 million** new heavy plant and engineering trades workshop at **Central Regional TAFE's Kalgoorlie** campus
- ✔ **\$25 million** to **WA TAFEs** for new state-of-the-art equipment
- ✔ **\$37 million** towards the **Employer Incentive Scheme** in **regional WA**



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