



Gascoyne Recovery Plan

The Gascoyne Recovery Plan is part of the next step in our COVID-19 journey.

It's part of WA's \$5.5 billion overarching State plan, focused on building infrastructure, economic, health and social outcomes.

The Gascoyne Recovery Plan will deliver a pipeline of jobs in sectors including construction, manufacturing, tourism and hospitality, renewable energy, education and training, agriculture, conservation and mining.

WA's recovery is a joint effort, it's about Government working with industry together. We managed the pandemic together as a community. Together, we will recover.

Driving Investment in Renewable Energy and New Technologies

- Installing Battery Energy Storage Systems to improve grid capacity and allow more customers to install rooftop solar systems and reduce their power bills - including \$7.8 million for Exmouth, \$5.8 million for Carnarvon and \$600,000 for Gascoyne Junction
- \$3.81 million to upgrade electricity infrastructure in remote communities including Woodgamia, making it safer and more reliable
- \$10 million towards the Clean Energy Future Fund to invest in clean energy technologies

Driving Tourism in the Gascoyne

- \$7 million for immediate measures to assist with access to the Carnarvon fascine while also finalising and implementing a long term plan
- \$6 million for the Regional Aviation Recovery program to ensure affordable airfares for residents and tourists including destinations in the Gascoyne region, to stimulate visitation between July and October 2020
- \$3 million for regional aviation support to ensure a minimum level of service to regional locations including Monkey Mia and Carnarvon
- \$1.3 million towards planning for the redevelopment of the Tantabiddi Boat Ramp facility in Exmouth, to cater for recreational tourists and separate commercial use

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- \$1.47 million to upgrade wastewater services to allow for the expansion of the Coral Bay Caravan Park
- \$2.65 million for significant upgrades to visitor access and facilities in the Shark Bay World Heritage Area, near Denham including upgrades to:
 - Visitor facilities at Monkey Mia including constructing interpretive trails and features and improving dolphin viewing facilities
 - Vehicle access and visitor facilities at Steep Point including improving the four-wheel drive access track, new campground infrastructure and the installation of a renewable power supply
 - Vehicle access and visitor facilities in Francois Peron National Park including improvements to Peron homestead, and new facilities at Cape Peron and Big Lagoon
 - Visitor facilities at Shell Beach Conservation Park including new toilets, shade shelters and interpretation
- \$1.2 million for upgrades to visitor access and facilities in the Ningaloo Coast World Heritage Area, near Exmouth including:
 - Constructing the new Over the Range walk trail in Cape Range National Park
 - Upgrading visitor facilities and services in Cape Range National Park, including new facilities at Oyster Stacks, new interpretation and building improvements to the Milyering Visitor Centre and new visitor services at the park headquarters
 - Upgrading vehicle access in Nyngulu (Ningaloo) Coastal reserves and upgrading park services in Coral Bay

Building Infrastructure and Boosting Industry across the Gascoyne

- \$4.7 million through the Regional Road Safety Program to upgrade 78 kilometres of Gascoyne roads with shoulder sealing and installation of audible lines, creating around 30 local jobs
- \$14 million to widen Minilya-Exmouth Road in Exmouth
- \$6 million towards the realignment of Yardie Creek Road in Exmouth
- \$116 million for the Regional Land Booster Package that will make residential, commercial and industrial lots more affordable including residential lots in Carnarvon and Denham and industrial lots in Carnarvon
- \$80 million for targeted maintenance programs for regional social, remote and government workers housing properties, including approximately 100 homes across the Gascoyne and Mid West regions
- \$141.7 million to refurbish social housing across WA's ageing housing stock, including approximately 80 homes in the Gascoyne and Mid West regions
- \$97 million to build new social housing including properties in the Gascoyne and Mid West regions
- \$8.32 million for upgrades to air conditioning at police stations in regional WA including Burringurrah Police Station
- \$2.01 million towards the Police radio network at regional locations converting from analogue to digital including across the Gascoyne
- \$2 million to provide water tanks to volunteer bushfire brigades across regional WA

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Putting Patients First

- \$18.8 million towards running regional renal hostels including a service in Carnarvon
- \$1.85 million for upgrades to alcohol and other drug facilities in regional WA, including the sobering up centre in Carnarvon
- \$9.77 million for Aboriginal regional suicide prevention plans in each region of WA, prioritising Aboriginal-led and locally endorsed initiatives that accommodate a culturally informed social and emotional wellbeing approach to suicide prevention
- Establish a regional deployment pool of metropolitan clinical staff that can be deployed at short notice to regional locations across WA to support healthcare delivery

Rebuilding our TAFE Sector and Reskilling Our Workforce

- \$25 million for free TAFE short courses to upskill thousands of West Australians, with the Job Ready Basics Skill Set being offered from Central Regional TAFE's Carnarvon campus
- \$32 million to expand the Lower Fees, Local Skills program and significantly reduce TAFE fees across 39 high priority courses
- \$4.8 million for the Apprenticeship and Traineeship Re-engagement Incentive that provides employers with a one-off payment of \$6,000 for hiring an apprentice and \$3,000 for hiring a trainee, whose training contract was terminated on, or after, 1 March 2020 due to the economic downturn
- \$30.6 million package to support building and construction apprentices and trainees

Supporting our Communities

- \$8.6 million of funding for additional outreach workers across WA, including a worker based in the Murchison region, to provide support to women and children experiencing or at further risk of family and domestic violence
- \$4.2 million to continue the Aboriginal Governance and Leadership Development program to help increase economic participation of Aboriginal people in regional WA
- \$1.5 million to deliver financial counselling services across regional WA

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Immediate Response

As the COVID-19 pandemic took hold, the McGowan Government was quick to announce \$2.77 billion in relief and stimulus measures to protect Western Australians across the State and support the economy.

**\$2.77
billion**



\$942.8 million

Support for WA businesses



\$556 million

Reduce or freeze household fees and charges and assist with energy payments



\$456 million

Boosting WA housing construction and Keystart



\$487 million

Health and frontline service delivery



\$159 million

Relief for crisis care organisations and not-for-profit sports, arts and community groups



\$91.2 million

Police resourcing package



\$14.4 million

Tourism industry grants



\$30 million

Residential rent support



\$30.6 million

Payments to maintain apprentices and trainees