

BUILDING SAFER COMMUNITIES

\$42.5M Invested by the McGowan Government to strengthen its **METHAMPHETAMINE ACTION PLAN 2019-20**

More Support for Individuals and Families in Crisis



Planning for **SHORT TERM SAFE PLACES** for critical intervention



PLANNING for expansion of the police and mental health joint crisis response program into regional areas and for those experiencing alcohol and other drug related crisis



CRISIS INTERVENTION CENTRE IN MIDLAND

More Help When and Where it's Needed



ADDITIONAL low medical withdrawal beds



EXPANSION OF SERVICES for people in the Kimberley including a comprehensive youth service



Expansion of the **TRANSITIONAL HOUSING AND SUPPORT PROGRAM**

More Workers to Provide Support



STRONG SPIRIT STRONG MIND



AOD FRONTLINE WORKFORCE TRAINING



PEER EDUCATION PROGRAM

More Education, Prevention and Harm Reduction



SCHOOL DRUG EDUCATION AND ROAD AWARENESS PROGRAM



AWARENESS RAISING of prevention strategies



DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION of harm reduction measures in the South West and Great Southern

This builds on the McGowan Government's total investment towards its Methamphetamine Action Plan which already includes enforcement initiatives that disrupt supply.



EXPANSION of police and mental health joint crisis response across all metropolitan areas



68,911 roadside drug tests completed



Meth Border Force established with a record **1.650 TONNE OF METH** seized to date



TOUGHER PENALTIES for traffickers

METHAMPHETAMINE ACTION PLAN

As part of the State-wide integrated plan to tackle methamphetamine use the McGowan Government has committed \$42.5 million to strengthening its Methamphetamine Action Plan.

In response to the Methamphetamine Action Plan Taskforce Report, the State Government has committed:

- **\$5.2 million to expand and develop safe places for individuals and families in crisis. These initiatives will increase access to alcohol and other drug and co-occurring mental health crisis services to help support families impacted by methamphetamine use.**
 - *Crisis intervention Centre in Midland; planning for the expansion of Police and Mental Health Co-Response to include responses to alcohol and other drug related crisis and expansion to regional areas; planning for the development of Stabilisation and Referral Areas (SARA) and Short Term Safe Places.*
- **\$32.3 million to provide more services when and where people require them, across all stages of the recovery journey and close to their homes and personal supports.**
 - *Expansion of AOD services in the Kimberley including the development of comprehensive youth alcohol and drug services, low-medical withdrawal beds and continuation of the North West Drug and Alcohol Support Program. Culturally and Linguistically Diverse research regarding drug use; review of the Alcohol and Other Drug Withdrawal Management Policy; and expansion of the Transitional Housing and Support Program.*
- **\$2.3 million to provide evidence based training for health professionals working with people impacted by methamphetamine use and their families, resulting in more qualified staff to work with people experiencing substance use issues and access to high quality treatment and support for the Western Australian community.**
 - *Continuation of Strong Spirit Strong Mind, Frontline Worker training, Peer Education program, and expansion of the Hepatitis WA nurse-led program.*
- **\$2.7 million to ensure the continuation of public and school education programs to reduce the uptake of methamphetamine use amongst young people and encourage access to support for people at risk of developing methamphetamine related issues.**
 - *\$1.1 million for the continuation of the School Drug Education and Road Aware Program.*
 - *\$1.6 million for Needle and Syringe Exchange Programs, including increasing awareness of Needle and Syringe Programs (NSP); expansion of the Bunbury Needle and Syringe Exchange Program (NSEP); and the establishment of an NSEP in the Great Southern.*

Reducing the level of methamphetamine use in the community is a key priority for the McGowan Government.

The continued government investment in further initiatives to strengthen the Methamphetamine Action Plan, represents the government's commitment to address the methamphetamine crisis facing our community.