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a difference*

State Budget 2010-11

Outcomes for Social Services

WACOSS Social Policy Team

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Priority Budget Recommendations



The top four priority recommendations in the 2010-2011 State Budget total \$802 million of investment. They include:

Planning for Social Advantage

Enhanced Community Service Capacity

Housing – A Fundamental for All

Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drug Services

Consultation Report



The WACOSS Pre-Budget Consultation Report indentified fifty four budget recommendations, based on the input received through our consultation with the community sector. These are contained in three parts:

Part One – Serving the Community

Part Two – Cost of Living

Part Three – Social Inclusion

Budget Concerns



Household Fees and Charges

Electricity 7.5% (April) and 10% July)	18%
Water	17.7%
Sewerage	4%
Drainage	34.32%
Public transport fares	2.8%
Motor vehicle licence fee	1.71%
Emergency Services Levy	18.42%

Additional \$367.86 (9.06%) to average household budget

Budget Concerns

Household Fees and Charges



	2009-10 \$ level	% change	\$ change	2010-11 \$ level
Motor Vehicles				
Motor vehicel licence fee	210.32	1.71	3.60	213.92
Recording fee	13.05	0.00	0.00	13.05
CTP insurance	245.01	0.00	0.00	245.01
Drivers licence	73.20	0.00	0.00	73.20
Total	541.58	0.66	3.60	545.18
Utility Charges				
Electricity	1208.65	16.07	194.27	1402.92
Water	441.30	17071.00	78.15	519.45
Sewerage	531.00	4.00	21.24	552.24
Drainage	6730.00	34.32	23.10	90.40
Total	2248.25	14.09	316.76	2565.01
Public Transport				
Student fares	260.00	0.00	0.00	260.00
Full fares (2 zones)	702.00	2.78	19.50	721.50
Total	962.00	2.03	19.50	981.50
Emergency Services Levy				
	152.00	18.42	28.00	180.00
Stamp Duty				
Stamp Duty on general insurance	131.56	0.00	0.00	131.56
Stamp duty on CTP insurance	24.50	0.00	0.00	24.50
Total	156.06	0.00	0.00	156.06
Total Expenditure	4059.90	9.06	367.86	4427.76

Budget Concerns



Budget Financial Assumptions

Budget surpluses are based around achieving modest growth in expenses over the forward estimates.

State debt is projected to increase sharply to \$20 billion by 2013-14.

Serving the Community

Building on the current capacity of services delivered by a sustainable not-for-profit sector.

Serving the Community



Enhanced Community Service Capacity

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Sustainable Funding for Community Services</p> <p>A 30% increase in funding to service providers in the community services sector, to ensure adequate, equitable wages for staff and secure the viability of community organisations.</p>	\$166, 118, 081	<p>No funding allocation for increased funding.</p> <p>A 3.1% indexation rate for 2010-11 valued at ~\$80m</p>

Serving the Community



Sector Capacity and Relationship with Government

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Increase Outsourcing to Not-For-Profit Organisations</p> <p>Increase the proportion of publicly-funded community services that are delivered by not-for-profit organisations.</p> <p>By doing this, greater efficiencies in public expenditure can be achieved, while ensuring the sustainability of the community services sector.</p>	<p>NA</p>	<p>The Government has committed to implement Economic Audit Committee recommendations that impact on the not-for-profit sector, including establishing a Partnership Forum. The new forum will oversee the relationship between the public and community sectors.</p> <p>The Partnership Forum will comprise equal numbers of public and community sector leaders, be chaired by Professor Peter Shergold AC, Centre for Social Impact.</p> <p>The first meeting of the Partnership Forum is expected to be held by August 2010.</p>

Serving the Community



Sector Capacity and Relationship with Government

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Planning for Social Advantage</p> <p>Create an accessible, integrated data set of social wellbeing indicators in WA. It should be coupled with an investment for Not-for-Profit organisations for research and development of innovative policy, program and service delivery models which will assist in meeting the planning objectives set for Western Australia.</p>	-	<p>No funding allocation provided for data specifically, but several EAC recommendations relate to improving policy capacity and performance reporting.</p> <p>An additional \$14 million over four years for a Social Innovation Grants Program to promote new and improved ways of delivering social and community services. Funding of \$2million in 2010-11 and \$4million for each year thereafter is provided to encourage the sharing of policy, practice and data across agencies and to identify co-location opportunities.</p>

Serving the Community



Sector Capacity and Relationship with Government

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Expand the Capacity of the Community Sector and Improve the Relationship with Government</p> <p>Work towards improving the relationship between the WA Government and the not-for-profit sector by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ working with the sector to develop a high level consultative forum for the social services industry; ▪ Developing a policy for the funding and purchasing of community services; and ▪ Developing a pilot program for a 'pre-qualification' scheme for not-for-profits seeing WA Government funding. 	<p>\$568, 000</p>	<p>A Partnership Forum has been established with recommendations to revise the Purchasing Policy and develop a 'pre-qualification' scheme.</p> <p>The Government delivered \$10million for the establishment of a Community Development Investment Fund through which low-interest loans will be offered to eligible community sector organisations for capital purposes such as building an income-generating asset base through new or refurbished infrastructure.</p>

Serving the Community



Services for Rural, Regional and Remote WA

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>An Index for Regional Services</p> <p>An additional indexation amount of 20% should be applied above the 30% request for rural, regional and remote based services.</p> <p>A detailed Regional Service Provision Cost Index should be completed in future years to establish the appropriate amount of regional indexation.</p>	\$32.21m	<p>No funding allocation provided for a regional index.</p> <p>25% of state royalties continue to flow to Royalties for Regions, which is available on a project grant basis.</p>

Cost of Living

*Supporting people to have the means to
enjoy a basic, common quality of life*

Cost of Living



Housing

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Public and Community Housing</p> <p>That the State Government invests in the social housing system to achieve the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The maintenance or increase in the number of public housing units available in Western Australia; •In partnership with community housing providers an increase in the number of community housing units; and •A cumulative increase of at least 1, 715 extra housing units this financial year. 	<p>\$364.5m</p>	<p>\$175m was spent on new housing construction in 2009-10.</p> <p>\$115m has been budgeted for 2010-11, higher than the previous budgets forward estimate of \$45m.</p> <p>The State Government is contributing \$81.6m less to Dept Housing – which is being made up by increased internal and commonwealth revenue.</p> <p>Overall expenditure by the Dept Housing will increase by \$16m in 2010-11.</p> <p>As of April 2010, a total of 13 high value properties have been sold at a total value of \$13.3 million. Ten properties have been spot purchased so far with proceeds from the initiative, at a total cost of \$4.3 million. The proceeds of the other \$9m raised is unclear.</p>

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Housing



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Enabling Community Housing Growth <ul style="list-style-type: none">- That the State Government develops a clear strategy to encourage and enable community housing providers to achieve the scale necessary to become growth providers, or tantamount to same.	\$300, 000	The State Government is intending to release a community housing growth strategy next month. Expenditure on community housing in 2010-11 will be \$4.96m, consistent with last year's forward estimate.
Identifying Suitable Sites for Social Housing <ul style="list-style-type: none">- That the State Government commission an independent third party audit of all lands held by State land development agencies or by local authorities that have the potential to be developed for the purpose of social housing and, in particular, Community Housing.	\$50, 000	A new Office of Land and Housing Supply has been announced for this purpose.

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<p>Private Rental Market</p> <p>That the State Government, as a matter of urgency, assist people to access the private rental market by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Initiating an Affordable Rental Brokerage Scheme;-Initiating a Time Limited Subsidy Scheme; and-Initiating a public information campaign to encourage members of the public to rent out spare rooms.	\$3m	<p>The Social Housing Taskforce report recommended a scheme like this and we are hoping to see it reflected in the State Affordable Housing Strategy due for release in July.</p> <p>National Rental Affordability Scheme: 1, 114 to be built in Perth and southern WA to be rented out at least 20% below market rate to tenants who meet income eligibility requirements (Australian Government Media Release, Tanya Plibersek, 18/05/2010).</p>

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Housing

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<p>Community Sector Worker Housing in Regional WA: Promoting Sustainable Communities</p> <p>That the Minister for Housing and Works address the shortage of housing for Community Sector Workers in regional and remote areas by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Investing in the construction of 400 extra housing units specifically for Community Sector Workers to be constructed no later than December 31st 2011; and - Devising a strategic plan to meet the accommodation needs of community service workers in remote and regional areas. 	<p>\$200m</p>	<p>The State Government has allocated \$380m over the 4 year forward estimates for housing its own workforce, constructing 250 units in 2010-11 and a further 150 units in 2011-12 in the following regions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 144 in the Pilbara, 109 in the Kimberley, 64 in the Wheatbelt, 24 in the Mid West, 20 in South West and Great Southern, 19 in the Goldfields. <p>No announcement was made for housing for community service workers. WACOSS will advocate for eligibility for the \$380m for the sector.</p>

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Housing

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<p>Aboriginal Housing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For the Department of Housing to develop a strategic policy framework to address the housing needs of Aboriginal people living in urban and regional areas, inclusive of how they can actively participate in managing housing and establish viable community housing organisations. 	<p>\$100, 000</p>	<p>Development of a strategic policy is uncertain. The RTA has now been applied to housing tenants in remote communities.</p> <p><i>National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing</i>, according to the 2010 Federal Budget:</p> <p>\$6.9 million for the essential maintenance of Aboriginal Hostels in addition to the \$6.3 billion committed to Closing the Gap programs by the Commonwealth, states and territories through COAG from 2008-2014.</p> <p>Reports of being on track to build 320 new houses in remote areas and refurbish 587 in 2009-10 have been questioned.</p>

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Cost of Living

Essential Services



WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Centralised Rebates and Concessions Unit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The State Government should provide funding for the formation of a Centralised Rebates and Concessions Unit in WA. 	<p>\$3m</p>	<p><i>Economic Audit Committee (EAC) recommendations:</i></p> <p>Recommendation 9 – Streamline payments and concessions to individuals.</p>
<p>Adequate Concessions for Regional Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Regional Prices Index should be reviewed annually and used to ensure that concessions and rebates for people in rural, regional and remote areas are adequate. The index should also be used to assist in the planning of service delivery in regional areas. 	<p>\$81, 000 per year for four years.</p>	<p>Recommendation 32 - Establishment of a Utilities Policy Office.</p>

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Essential Services



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<p>Western Australian Consumers Research Fund</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide funding for the establishment of a Western Australian Consumer Research Fund. 	<p>\$500, 000</p>	<p><i>Hardship Assistance</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consumer Essential Services Project (WACOSS) \$237, 532 per year for 3 years. • A review of and develop a more equitable tariff and concession framework to assist consumers experiencing financial hardship;
<p>Administration of the Hardship Utility Grant Scheme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The administration of the Hardship Utility Grant Scheme should be undertaken by a Centralised rebates and Concessions Unit. 	<p>Cost-neutral</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The provision of efficient hot water heating in public and community housing. <p>\$2.7m - 09/10 \$5m 10/11</p>

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Essential Services



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<p>Reinstate Hardship Utility Grant Scheme Hotline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide funding for the Hardship Utility Grant Scheme Hotline to be evaluated and reinstated to ensure equitable access to HUGS for all consumers. 	<p>\$127, 000</p>	<p><i>Hardship Utility Grant Scheme and Financial Counselling Services</i></p> <p>\$7.1m – 08/09 \$8.6m – 09/10 \$9.5m – 10/11</p>
<p>Energy Efficiency Retrofitting for Community Service Organisations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide funding for energy efficiency retrofitting of Western Australian Community Service Organisations. 	<p>\$4.375m per year over four years</p>	

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Essential Services

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<p>Household Audits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - That the State Government sufficiently fund a not-for-profit organisation to provide energy and water household audits for consumers experiencing financial hardship. 	<p>\$1.735 per year</p>	<p><i>Hardship Efficiency Program</i></p> <p>Energy Efficiency Audits and Retrofits for people experiencing financial hardship.</p> <p>\$5m 09/10</p>
<p>Public Transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expand the public transport system in Western Australia, focusing on travel within, and between suburbs (inter-nodal transport), increasing the accessibility of train and bus services. 	<p>\$90m per year over five years</p>	<p>\$9.94m – 10/11</p>

Cost of Living

Essential Services



WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Walking and Cycling Infrastructure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Invest in dedicated safe, secure and accessible walking and cycling routes in the suburbs of Perth, and in the public promotion of the alternatives to car use. 	<p>\$10m</p>	<p><i>Perth Bicycle Network / Country Pathways</i></p> <p>\$2.49m - 09/10 \$2.66m – 10/11</p> <p><i>TravelSmart, Pedestrian Projects</i></p> <p>\$63, 000 – 09/10 \$0 – 10/11</p>

Cost of Living

Health



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<p>Aboriginal Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reform the delivery of health service to Aboriginal people through targeted budget allocations for health services. This includes support for a recruitment drive in regional areas for Aboriginal allied health professionals. 	<p>\$26m</p>	<p>\$117.4 m over four years (\$2.9 million each year) to improve Indigenous health through the NPA for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ tackling smoking; ▪ delivering primary health care; ▪ transition to adulthood programs (working with the MH Commission); ▪ improving services in prisons; and ▪ health care system education. <p>\$17.1m invested under element two of the Indigenous Early Childhood Development NPA for programs focusing on pre-pregnancy, ante-natal, sexual and reproductive health (Commonwealth government).</p> <p>\$11.3m over 5 years under element three of the Indigenous Early Childhood Development NPA to improve health outcomes for Indigenous women and children (State Government).</p>

Cost of Living

Health



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<p>Mental Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Provide funding for additional mental health services, with an emphasis on providing services for vulnerable and disadvantaged West Australians.	\$12.3m	<p>Mental Health Commission has been established.</p> <p>\$445m – 09/10 \$508m – 10/11</p> <p>The Closing the Gap in Indigenous Health Outcomes also includes a \$22million reform program allocated to the Commission to establish a dedicated state-wide Aboriginal Mental Health Service.</p>

Cost of Living



Health

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<p>Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment and Prevention Services in the Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase funding for AOD and associated mental health services in the community. 	\$7m	<p><i>The Drug and Alcohol Office</i> has received an extra \$4.3 million in funding to focus on prevention and early intervention through campaigns and education, as well as working with NGOs in clinics.</p>
<p>Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment and Prevention Services in the Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase funding for AOD and associated mental health services in corrective services. 	\$5.2m	<p>\$55.2m in 09/10 \$59.5 in 10/11</p>

Cost of Living



Health

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
Oral Health Reform - Invest in a review and re-alignment of oral health services in Western Australia.	\$100, 000	<i>Emergency Ambulance Services</i> \$150 million over five years to improve the delivery of emergency ambulance services. There is no commitment to review either
Ambulatory Reform - To invest in ambulatory reform to improve the health outcomes of Western Australia.	\$100, 000	ambulatory care or oral health services

Cost of Living



Education

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>School Youth Workers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reinvest the funding removed from the WA High School Participation Program towards the deployment of youth workers in WA State High Schools 	<p>\$3.55m per year</p>	<p>No funding allocated to WACOSS recommendations.</p> <p><i>Additional School Support Staff (\$28m over 4 years)</i></p> <p>\$3.2m – 09/10</p> <p>\$6.7m – 10/11</p>
<p>Continuing Education for Young Mothers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Allocate further funding to provide education and parenting support for young parents, particularly mothers, in Western Australia. 	<p>\$530, 000 per year per program</p>	<p><i>Independent Public Schools</i></p> <p>\$3.3m – 10/11</p> <p>\$19 million over four years to assist those schools who have decided to become Independent Public Schools.</p>

Cost of Living

Education



WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
Inclusive School Practice - Public High School across the State should undertake an active role in supporting same-sex attracted young people in their school environments and practices.	\$525, 000 per year per school	No budget allocation announced.

Social Inclusion

Providing services for a diverse range of individuals and families that support them to meet their own needs.

Social Inclusion



Aboriginal People

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Aboriginal Healing Centres</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish state-wide Healing Centres, based on the models being developed by the Western Australian Aboriginal Community. 	\$1.35m	<p>No funding allocated to WACOSS recommendations.</p> <p>Of concern is that the funding to Aboriginal Community Patrols has been cut:</p>
<p>WA Reconciliation Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide core funding for the establishment of a community based "Reconciliation Council" in Western Australia that would be a catalyst for major reconciliation initiatives. 	\$1.5m	<p>\$4.1m – 09/10 \$3.9m – 10/11</p> <p>Indigenous Community Grants have also been cut:</p> <p>\$655, 000 – 09/10 \$260, 000 – 10/11</p>

Social Inclusion



Aboriginal People

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Indigenous Interpreting Service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Provide funding to establish an Indigenous Language Interpreting Service, modelled on the Kimberley Interpreting Service, in the Pilbara and Goldfields.	\$600, 000	<p>No funding allocation to WACOSS recommendation.</p> <p><i>Aboriginal Affairs Coordinating Committee</i></p> <p>A cross-government group focusing on effective coordination of service delivery and support to Indigenous people across the state.</p> <p>In addition, the WA Aboriginal Advisory Council has been re-established and has developed a strategic plan.</p>

Social Inclusion



CALD People

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Language Service Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - That the State Government ensures all government agencies adhere to the <i>Western Australian Language Services Policy 2008</i> published by the Office of Multicultural Interests. 	<p>\$500,000</p>	<p>There has been no significant investment in CaLD communities for these specific recommendations. The funding to promote and support multiculturalism in WA continues to decrease.</p>
<p>Substantive Equality Unit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - That the Substantive Equality Unit within the Equal Opportunity Commission be provided with more funding to adequately undertake its work in promoting fair dealings for all in the public service. 	<p>\$720, 000 per year</p>	<p>\$5.4 million in 2009/10 \$5.2 million in 2010/11.</p> <p>The Ethnic Communities Council of WA, the peak body representing multicultural interests in WA, has not had their funding renewed for this year. The WA Peaks Forum is endorsing the continuation of funding to a peak for this sector.</p>

Social Inclusion



CALD People

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
Intensive English Centres - For two Intensive English Centres to be established, to improve accessibility for students undertaking English language studies.	\$180, 000	No funding allocated to WACOSS recommendations.
Ethno-Specific Children's Resource Unit - That an ethno-specific children's resource unit be established.	\$250, 000 - \$300, 000 per year	

Social Inclusion

Families and Children



WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Child Health Nurses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure that every child health centre in Western Australia is staffed with a child health nurse. 	<p>\$10.5m</p>	<p>The Government is investing \$49.7 million over 4 years (\$12.4 million per year) for community child health services, focusing on speech pathology, occupational therapy and physiotherapy. This will create 45 child health specialist positions. WACOSS called for 105 child health nurses specifically to be appointed in order to address the gap across our 310 child health centres across the state – so while this announcement is welcome, it still falls short of what's required.</p>
<p>Children and Young People in Care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase funding for children in the State care system, and provide adequate funds to resource and support all young people up to the age of 25 leaving care. 	<p>\$30.2m</p>	<p>Additional funding of \$2.3 million in 2010-11 to provide for the costs of children and young people in care to meet expected rises in foster care subsidies, children's expenditure and leaving care costs. The average cost per day for a child in care continues to rise, from \$160 in 09/10 to \$171 in 10/11, and average of \$4000 per child pa.</p>

Social Inclusion



Families and Children

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Quality Early Childhood Education for Aboriginal Children</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support the provision of quality early childhood education for Aboriginal children that is closely linked with child health services provided by Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations and other health services. 	<p>\$7.5m</p>	<p>No funding allocated to these initiatives.</p> <p><i>Responsible Parenting Program</i></p> <p>In order to enact the Parental Support and Responsibility Act 2008, \$28 million over four years is being provided for the Responsible Parenting Program in the Murchison and Great Southern regions in 2010/11 and other areas of the State over the following two years.</p>
<p>Office of Early Childhood</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish an Office of Early Childhood in Western Australia. 	<p>\$2m</p>	

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Families and Children



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<p>Community and Not-for-Profit Childcare Centres</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Allocate funding for additional community and not-for-profit childcare centres across the State. 	\$6m	<p><i>Redress</i></p> <p>The Government has not reinstated the total value of payments to applicants, but it has developed an implantation plan to deliver final payments - \$76 million in 10/11</p>
<p>Redress WA – Supporting West Australians Abused in State Care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - That the State Government re-instates the total value of ex-gratia payments to applicants of the Redress WA Scheme. 	\$45.1m	<p><i>Youth Plan</i></p> <p>The Youth Plan for 2009-2011 addresses the overall well-being of young people as well as their over representation in a variety of at risk groups.</p> <p><i>Youth Grants and Disbursements</i></p> <p>\$3m – 09/10 \$455, 000 – 10/11</p>

Social Inclusion

Safety and Justice



WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Family and Domestic Violence – Primary Prevention Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish a Primary Prevention Plan to eliminate violence against women. 	<p>\$100, 000</p>	<p>There does not appear to be any investment in specific WACOSS recommendations, but an extra \$500,000 is being provided for a State Strategic Plan for family and domestic violence.</p>
<p>Family and Domestic Violence – Additional Support for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse People</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide additional support for women and children escaping domestic and family violence on temporary visa status. 	<p>\$60, 000</p>	<p>The Government continues to be tough on law and order, with major capital works projects in the order of \$691 million.</p> <p>On top of this, the government will invest \$13 million in the battle against illicit drug use, \$8 million on an inquiry into the death of Mr Ward, \$161 million to meet the increased prisoner population, \$44 million to expand youth justice services, and \$28 million to build two new police hubs.</p>

Social Inclusion

Safety and Justice



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Family and Domestic Violence – Sustainable Women Partnership <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Provide funding for the Sustainable Women Partnership: A Building Block Model.	\$240, 000 for the first year.	No funding allocated to these initiatives.
Community Legal Centres <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Significantly increase funding to the Community Legal Services Program to extend the availability of Services.	\$1.75m	

Social Inclusion

Safety and Justice



WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
Sexual and Violent Offender Treatment Services <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Increase funding for sexual and violent offender treatment services in correctional facilities.	\$500, 000 per year	No funding allocation.

Social Inclusion



People with Disabilities and Carers

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Enhance Disability Advocacy Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide increased funding for individual and systemic advocacy services in the disability services sector. 	<p>\$800, 000 per year</p>	<p>\$3.8m – Wage increases for support workers in Disability Sector Organisations</p> <p><i>Country Age Pension Fuel Card</i> \$18.5m – 09/10 \$20.05m – 10/11</p>
<p>Increase Access to Transport for Carers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide free public transport for carers in receipt of a Centrelink carer's payment and increase flexibility in HACCC funded transport for carers. 	<p>\$2m</p>	<p>Scheme expanded to include four additional semi-rural postcodes and will include Disability Support Pensioners and Carers.</p> <p><i>Taxi User Subsidy Scheme</i> \$8.15m – 09/10 \$8.39m – 10/11</p>

Social Inclusion



People with Disabilities and Carers

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<p>Revise Carers Recognition Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - That the State Government undertake a review of the Carers Recognition Act 2004 to ensure that it comprehensively covers all aspects of being a carer. 	<p>\$150, 000</p>	<p><i>Accommodation Support Service</i></p> <p>Support for people with disabilities to live in a range of accommodation options such as hostels, group homes or their own home. Support includes personal care and assistance with independent living skills</p> <p>\$300m – 09/10 \$330.5m – 10/11</p> <p><i>Individual Support Service</i></p> <p>provision of aids, equipment and support to people with disabilities to access positive and constructive day options, maintain health and wellbeing and develop skills and abilities</p> <p>\$107.5m – 09/10 \$109m – 10/11</p>

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		<p><i>Individual Coordination</i></p> <p>Local Area Coordination, to assist people with disabilities, their families and carers plan, organise and access supports and services which enhance their participation in, and contribution to, their local community</p> <p>\$22.65m – 09/10 \$24.05m – 10/11</p> <p><i>Family and Carer Support</i></p> <p>Provision of a range of flexible family support and respite services to support families and carers in their primary care-giving role</p> <p>\$55m – 09/10 \$63.2m – 10/11</p>

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		<p><i>Community Access and Inclusion</i></p> <p>community awareness and education about disability and the provision of support to State and local governments to ensure people with disabilities can access facilities, services and supports.</p> <p>\$1.687m – 09/10 \$1.746m – 10/11</p>

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Seniors

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
<p>Active Ageing Program for Seniors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fund a comprehensive program for Active Aging to improve the health of seniors. 	<p>\$150, 000 per year</p>	<p>No funding allocated to WACOSS recommendations.</p> <p><i>Country Age Pension Fuel Card</i></p> <p>Scheme expanded to include four additional semi-rural postcodes and will include Disability Support Pensioners and Carers.</p>
<p>Men's Sheds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide funding for the development of ten additional Men's Sheds in Western Australia 	<p>\$500, 000</p>	<p>\$18.5m – 09/10 \$20.05m – 10/11</p>

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People with Diverse Sexuality and Gender

WACOSS' Recommendations	Estimated Cost	The Government Delivered
Services for People with Diverse Sexuality and Gender <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Provide a range of support services for people of Diverse Sexuality and Gender (DSG) and broader community education about issues relating to sexuality and gender.	\$500, 000	No funding allocated to this initiative



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