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It is too early to realise the impact of projects funded under the Regional Community Services Fund implemented in the South West in 2013-14.

Regional Community Services Fund					\$32,161,570
Project Name	Recipient	Location of Recipient	Purpose	Total Allocation \$	Expenditure in SW for 2013-14
Country Age Pension Fuel Card	Department of Transport	Perth	Provides assistance to country age pensioners to help them cope with travel costs and improve their quality of life.	189,684,000	\$8,538,085
Rural Generalist Pathways	WA Country Health Service	Perth	To support the training of junior doctors in regional areas.	8,500,000	\$197,850
Ambulance Services in Country Western Australia	WA Country Health Service	Perth	To improve capacity, response times and clinical standards of for the St John Ambulance Service in regional WA.	25,418,000	\$869,903
Regional Workers Incentives - Project Officer Funding	Department of Commerce	SW region	To attract and retain public sector workers in providing essential government services in the north of Western Australia.	346,000	\$10,685
Boarding Away From Home	Department of Education	Perth	Provides parents in remote locations whose children have to leave home to attend secondary schooling with additional funding to assist with boarding expenses.	7,500,000	\$38,384
Community Resource Centre's	Department of Regional Development	Perth	To support the expansion and enhancement of the Community Resource Centre network.	82,730,000	\$1,619,874
Expansion of Foodbank Western Australia School Breakfast Program and Services into Regional Locations	Department of Education	Perth	Expansion of the Foodbank School Breakfast Program and associated activities into schools in the lower socio-economic areas in remote and regional communities in Western Australia.	780,000	\$21,667
Regional Men's Health Program	Department of Agriculture and Food	Perth	Funding to continue the services and programs (community education, counselling, progression planning, advocacy and referral services), and support to farming and pastoral community families.	2,789,000	\$32,588
Better Beginnings Program	State Library of Western Australia	Perth	Funding for staffing and resources to extend the Better Beginnings Program to include children aged 4-5 throughout regional and remote Western	2,812,000	\$215,155

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Expansion of Responsible Parenting Services	Department for Child Protection and Family Support	Perth	Funding to expand the Department for Child Protection's Responsible Parenting Services into the Murchison, Great Southern, Goldfields, Pilbara, Wheatbelt and South West Regions.	33,895,000	\$1,240,407
Upgrade of 'Orange' School Buses in Regional Western Australia	Public Transport Authority	Perth	To fund air conditioning, automatic transmissions, and approved accessories for "Orange" school busses contracted by the Public Transport Authority to provide transport for school children in regional Western Australia.	10,880,000	\$507,568
Exploration Incentive Scheme - Phase 1A	Department of Mines and Petroleum	Perth	To support future growth of the resources industry in the Pilbara and the rest of Regional WA.	80,000,000	\$434,362
Busselton Foreshore Redevelopment	City of Busselton	Busselton	Funding is to meet the wages, materials and contract cost of implementing Stage 1 of the Busselton Foreshore Redevelopment Plan.	6,100,891	\$90,001
Regional Workers Incentives - Price Index Funding	Department of Regional Development	Perth	Funding for regional workers.	260,000	\$5,019
Women's Health Care Association Inc's Rural In Reach program	WA Country Health Service	Perth	Delivery of a pilot program through the Women's Health Care Association Inc. of a range of program to women, their families and local agencies.	1,750,700	\$44,180
South West Recreational Fishing Enhancement Pilot Project	Department of Fisheries	Perth	The funding will be used to design, install and monitor two purpose-built recreational fishing enhancement structures in the South West region.	1,860,000	\$140,275

Regional Community Child Care Development Fund	Department of Local Government and Communities	Perth	Funding is provided to:assist with the cost of administration of the Regional Community Child Care Development Fund including wages; provide funding to community based childcare service providers and child care peak organisations through the Regional Child Care Grants Program; contract eligible non-government organisations to develop regional children's services plans and employ Regional Childcare Development Officers; and develop and implement the Regional Child Care Sector Leadership and Change Management Program. The grants provided under the Regional Child Care Grants Program will be delivered over five years and will assist in funding the following activities: operational support for child care services; strategic grants; support for the inclusion of children with additional needs in childcare centres; and the development of regional children's services plans and to employ regional community child care development officers.	9,310,000	\$479,603
Aboriginal Community Critical Response Fund	Department of Regional Development	Perth	To establish the Aboriginal Community Critical Response Fund (ACCRF), reducing risk and increasing the capacity of timely responses to crises arising in Aboriginal communities.	10,000,000	\$2,942
The New Hawthorn House: A Visionary Environment for Best Practice Dementia Care	Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd	Perth	Funding is provided to contribute to the cost of construction of the building to accommodate the new Hawthorn House, bitumen paving including road base and markings, professional fees, insulation, solar and verandas as detailed in item 4 of Schedule 4.	992,334	\$1,048,376
Implementing Public Sector Regional Leadership - Element 5: Regional Employment	Public Sector Commission	Perth	Funding is to be used for administrative, operational, travel, accommodation, venue hire and catering associated with implementing Element 5: Regional Employment.	283,000	\$6,558
Regional Buy Local Initiatives - Small Business Development Corporation	Small Business Development Corporation	Perth	To fund operational expenses associated with workshops and consultancies delivered to business in Manjimup, Margaret River, Katanning, Boddington, Collie, Jurien Bay, Morawa, Esperance and Northam.	500,000	\$59,816

Regional Events Program - Part 1 of 3 - Tourism Staffing, Marketing and Event Leveraging Funding	Tourism WA	Perth	Delivery of component 1 of the R4R Regional Events Program: - Provision of staff to manage the program. - Ongoing development, implementation and review of the WA Event marketing campaign. - Implementation of event leveraging opportunities.	6,132,258	\$200,018
Regional Events Program - Part 2 of 3 - Regional Events Scheme	Tourism WA	Perth	The Scheme is designed to create awareness of, and increase the social and economic benefits to, regional communities in Western Australia by attracting increased visitor numbers through events.	1,800,000	\$187,130
Regional Events Program - Part 3 of 3 - Regional Event Funding for Larger Events	Tourism WA	Perth	Funding for this component is provided for sponsorship of approved events through the Regional Events program for larger (medium sized, major and regional/metro events).	32,067,742	\$3,456,174
Regional Buy Local Initiatives - Regional Business	Small Business Development Corporation	Perth	To fund operational expenses associated with workshops and consultancies delivered to business in Manjimup, Margaret River, Katanning, Boddington, Collie, Jurien Bay, Morawa, Esperance and Northam.	500,000	\$221,616
Implementing Public Sector Regional Leadership - Element 1: Strategic Directions	Public Sector Commission	Perth	Funding is provided to pay for salaries and one-off costs for 1 x L6 FTE contract Project Officer and all operational costs associated with implementing Element 1 Strategic Direction.	445,750	\$11,135
Implementing Public Sector Regional Leadership - Element 2: Integrity and Ethics	Public Sector Commission	Perth	Funding will be used for travel, accommodation, venue hire and catering associated with the delivery of 48 additional workshops for Accountable and Ethical Decision Making training in regional WA.	160,000	\$2,800
Regional Talent Development Network	Department of Sport and Recreation	Perth	Funding will be used to support the development of a statewide program that will provide talented athletes in regional Western Australia with opportunities to pursue excellence in sport within their local community environment	2,850,000	\$373,070
Marine Parks Management - Ngari Capes Marine Park	Department of Fisheries	Perth	The funding will be used to undertake activities in the Ngari Capes Marine Park.	3,260,000	\$596,140
Regional Partnerships for Success in Indigenous Education	Graham (Polly) Farmer Foundation Incorporated	Perth	Funding is to be provided for the first year (seed funding) of an expanded Regional Partnerships for Success (RPS) program, offering opportunities for additional regional communities in WA.	1,500,000	\$116,734

Marine Parks Management - Department of Parks and Wildlife	Department of Parks and Wildlife	Perth	The funding will be used to establish and manage the Dampier Archipelago Marine Park and Regnard Marine Management Area; and to manage the Ngari Capes Marine Park.	11,000,000	\$795,419
Development of the South West Regional Investment Blueprint and Related Planning and Business Case Development	South West Development Commission	Bunbury	Development of the South West Regional Investment Blueprint, undertaking related strategic planning activities and assist in the development of business cases for identified significant regional development projects.	285,000	\$228,903
Performing Arts Regional Tours Boost	Department of Culture and the Arts	Perth	The Funding amount of up to \$1 000 000 is to be used for the operational costs (salaries, accommodation, equipment and travel) associated with the implementation of the Project.	1,000,000	\$617
Implementing Public Sector Regional Leadership - Element 6: Indigenous Employment	Public Sector Commission	Perth	The Funding is to be used to meet the administrative and operational costs associated with the implementation of the Indigenous Employment strategy across regional Western Australia.	1,380,000	\$35,792
Location Information Strategy for Western Australia	Landgate	Perth	Funding to carry out the Location Information Strategy Program - Stage One. This forms part of the LIS for Western Australia, a State-wide strategy for address in the collection, management and use of location information.	8,371,000	\$203,403
Support for Racecourse Infrastructure Grants Program	Racing and Wagering Western Australia	Perth	The project will provide regional racing clubs with access to Royalties for Regions funding to match approved funds through the Racecourse Infrastructure Grants Program (RIGP) to facilitate the completion of vital infrastructure projects.	6,600,000	\$73,348
Regional Tourism Marketing Program	Tourism WA	Perth	Implementation of a Regional Tourism Marketing Program (RTMP) to promote regional tourism in WA and increase the growth of intrastate and interstate visitation.	7,900,000	\$230,310
Bunbury Inner Harbour Expansion - Design of the Preston River Realignment	Bunbury Port Authority	Bunbury	The Project aims to provide the strategic direction and civil engineering details required to realign the Preston River.	1,500,000	\$235,016

South West Development Commission Operational Budget	South West Development Commission	Bunbury	The purpose of the funding is to deliver on the functions related to the South West Development Commission's business case to target outcomes for the 2013-14 to 2016-17 allocation.	18,710,000	\$4,209,241
Royal Agricultural Society (RAS) Show Concessions - Free Entry for Children	Department of Agriculture and Food WA	Perth	Funding will contribute to the "RAS Show Concessions- Free Entry for Children" program. The program will reduce the cost of entry to regional shows, field days, and agricultural shows for Western Australian families by subsidising the entry fee for children aged 16 years and under when accompanied by an adult to RAS affiliated regional shows.	800,000	\$186,614
Exploration Incentive Scheme - Phase 1A	Department of Mines and Petroleum	Perth	The project builds upon the Exploration Incentive Scheme (EIS) Phase 1 that has contributed to increased green-fields exploration drilling, and assisted in retaining exploration industry expertise and equipment in Western Australia.	20,600,000	\$38,385
Caravan and Camping - Tourism Western Australia	Tourism WA	Perth	The project outlines the planning, implementation, communication and evaluation of the tourism related elements of the Western Australian Caravan and Camping Action Plan 2013-18 that are the responsibility of Tourism WA.	14,565,000	\$68,392
Parks for People / Caravan and Camping - Department of Parks and Wildlife	Department of Parks and Wildlife	Perth	To increase opportunities for Western Australians and visitors to experience affordable caravan and camping holidays throughout the State by funding the planning, implementation, communication and evaluation of the Department of Parks and Wildlife parks for People / Caravan and Camping Action Plan initiative.	21,050,000	\$948,400
Caravan and Camping	Main Roads WA	Perth	The project involves upgrade and enhancement of 12 existing, and development of two 24 hour rest areas, on key drive corridors at 14 locations across Western Australia.	4,325,000	\$11,204
Western Australian Indigenous Tourism Operators Council Funding Extension	Main Roads WA	Perth	To assist Tourism WA to support the operations of the Western Australian Indigenous Operators Council (WAITOC) for twelve months while it seeks alternative funding from Government. The RfR funding will enable WAITOC to provide administration, management, marketing, advocacy	330,000	\$36,667

			and networking services.		
Supporting Community Sport initiative - Athlete Travel Subsidy Scheme	Department of Sport and Recreation	Perth	The funding will be used to support the regional component of the Athlete Travel Subsidy Scheme (ATSS), a four year funding scheme that will provide young athletes living in regional Western Australia the opportunity to apply for funding towards the travel costs associated with participation in State/National sporting events.	1,750,000	\$49,117
Supporting Community Sport Initiative - Community Sporting Club Equipment Subsidy Scheme	Department of Sport and Recreation	Perth	The funding will be used to support the Community Sporting Club Equipment Subsidy Scheme, a four year funding scheme that will provide additional sporting equipment resources to sporting Clubs in regional Western Australia.	1,000,000	\$49,131
WA Police Regional Incentive Scheme	Western Australia Police	Perth	Through this Scheme, WA Police officers will receive an initial Attraction Payment upon transfer to a defined regional location. After 3.5 years of service in some locations, officers may also be eligible for a Retention Payment. The payment levels are weighted according to the desirability of locations, vacancies, and willingness of Police Officers to transfer, as well as existing benefits and financial incentives. The aim of the scheme is to supplement current non-financial incentives and not replace current allowances. There will not be an ongoing commitment to funding through any Enterprise Bargaining Agreement entitlements.	10,450,000	\$300,500

Royal Flying Doctor Service	WA Country Health Service	Perth	Funding for staff costs (flight crew and medical staff), aircraft maintenance and operational costs associated with the PC12 aircraft previously purchased through Royalties for regions for the RFDS. Additionally, funding will be provided as a contribution towards four replacement aircraft which will be purchased in line with RFDS National Aircraft Replacement Plan in 2013-14.	12,125,000	\$1,731,950
Patient Assisted Travel Scheme	WA Country Health Service	Perth	To provide subsidy towards the cost of travel and accommodation for eligible permanent county residents and where applicable their approved escorts to access certain categories of specialist medical services (including Telehealth).	29,184,000	\$51,220
Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF)	Department of Sport and Recreation	Perth	The CSRFF is a State Government Program administered by the Department of Sport and Recreation, which invests in community level sport and recreation infrastructure. The purpose of the program is to provide financial assistance to community groups and local government authorities to develop basic infrastructure for sport and recreation.	14,366,000	\$1,656,371
Regional Patient Accommodation Facility	Home Away From Home Incorporated	Perth	The project will involve the construction of a new regional patient accommodation facility (Ronald McDonald House) at 21 Monash Avenue, Nedlands, WA 6009. This new facility will provide supportive accommodation services exclusively for regional Western Australian families with a seriously ill child receiving treatment at the Perth Children's Hospital located at the Queen Elizabeth II Medical Centre site in Nedlands, Western Australia. The new facility will be able to accommodate up to 47 regional families each night and will replace the current Ronald McDonald House located in Subiaco, which services the Princess Margaret Hospital, once the Perth Children's Hospital is established in 2015.	5,000,000	\$253,416

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A number of projects fall under the categories of Community and Culture, Health and Tourism and Housing and could be attributed to retaining aged populations in the South West. While projects may not target aged populations explicitly, they can be factors which attribute to retaining aged populations.

Project	Organisation	Reported Expenditure in 2013-2014
The New Hawthorn House : A Visionary Environment for Best Practice Dementia Care	Alzheimer's Australia WA Ltd	\$1,048,376
Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre Expansion	City of Bunbury	\$4,435,348
Regional Men's Health Program	Department of Agriculture and Food WA	\$32,588
Performing Arts Regional Tours Boost	Department of Culture and the Arts	\$617
Capital Formation Framework Phase 2 Modelling - Feasibility Study for the Establishment of a Housing Finance Corporation to Promote Affordable Housing in the Regions	Department of Housing	\$53,184
Capacity Building - Regional Governance Services and Asset Management Tools	Department of Local Government and Communities	\$7,530
Country Age Pension Fuel Card	Department of Transport	\$8,538,085
Aboriginal Community Critical Response Fund	Department of Regional Development	\$2,942
Southern Inland Health Services - Stream 1, 2B, 5 and 6	Department of Water	\$3,927,479
Life Saving Coronary Care Service for the South West	St John of God Health Care Inc	\$28
WA Indigenous Tourism Operators Committee (WAITOC)	Tourism WA	\$19,922
Regional Events Program - Part 1 of 3 - Tourism Staffing, Marketing and Event Leveraging Funding	Tourism WA	\$159,960
Regional Events Program - Part 2 of 3 - Regional Events Scheme	Tourism WA	\$161,050
Regional Events Program - Part 3 of 3 - Regional Event Funding for Larger Events	Tourism WA	\$3,934,010
Regional Tourism Marketing Program	Tourism WA	\$287,557
Rural Generalist Pathways	WA Country Health Service	\$197,850
Ambulance Services in Country Western Australia	WA Country Health Service	\$869,903

Busselton Health Campus	WA Country Health Service	\$12,933,435
Women's Health Care Association Inc's Rural In Reach program	WA Country Health Service	\$44,180
Royal Flying Doctor Service 2013-14	WA Country Health Service	\$1,731,650
Busselton Hospital Redevelopment Project Information and Communications Technology Package	WA Country Health Service	\$324,571
Patient Assisted Travel Scheme 2012-13 to 2014-15	WA Country Health Service	\$51,220
WA Police Regional Incentive Scheme	Western Australia Police	\$300,500

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Year	(i) Funds allocated to the Royalties for Regions	(ii) Allocated to projects	(iii) Expended on projects
	\$M	\$M	\$M
2008-09	334	334	197
2009-10	644	644	257
2010-11	818	897	514
2011-12	1,199	1,493	824
2012-13	1,218	1,122	938
2013-14	1,456	1,295	1,075

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Expenditure reports show that \$453,113 has been expended in the South West on Aboriginal Community Development projects.

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Aboriginal Community Critical Response Fund	Department of Regional Development	\$2,942
Skills Training Initiative - Aboriginal Workforce Development Centres Pilot Project	Department of Training and Workforce Development	\$260,978
Regional Partnerships for Success in Indigenous Education	Graham (Polly) Farmer Foundation Incorporated	\$116,734
Implementing Public Sector Regional Leadership - Element 6: Indigenous Employment	Public Sector Commission	\$35,792
Western Australian Indigenous Tourism Operators Council Funding Extension (2013-14)	Tourism WA	\$36,667