

Division 68: Local Government and Communities —

[Supplementary Information No A41.]

Question: Ms M.M. Quirk asked for the names of the organisations that bid to run the Shared Future program and the criteria, including the draft criteria, used by the selection panel.

Answer:

- (a) A list of the other organisations that applied:
- (1) Edmund Rice Centre Mirrabooka Inc
 - (2) People Against Violent Extremism
 - (3) Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia
 - (4) Australian Multicultural Foundation
 - (5) Organisations of African Communities in Western Australian Inc
 - (6) ISA Group Pty Ltd
- (b) The criteria for being successful:
- The Multicultural Partnerships Program was advertised through a Community Services Request issued through Tenders WA on 28 July 2015, with a closing date of 4 September 2015.
 - The Qualitative Criteria used to make a value for money assessment of each respondent's Offer was the standard Community Services Request criteria.
 - (1) Ability to provide the service (60 per cent weighting)
 - (2) Skills, capacity and experience (20 per cent weighting)
 - (3) Organisational Capacity (20 per cent weighting).
 - There were no changes to the criteria and it is the same standard criteria used for the previous triennial (2012-15). The Department of Finance was involved in the development of the Community Services Request, with a staff member present during the assessment process.

[Supplementary Information No A42.]

Question: Ms M.M. Quirk asked what expertise Relationships Australia has in working with youth from CALD communities.

Answer: Relationships Australia is a national organisation and Relationships Australia Western Australia (RAWA) has a 60 year history in providing community services to children, youth, parents and families from diverse backgrounds and ages including: assessment, case management, referral, outreach and advocacy services; child, adult and family counselling; psycho-educational and therapeutic groups; parent education and skills-based training, seminars and workshops; and community development and community awareness raising activities. Relationships Australia Western Australia offers its courses and seminars at seven sites across the metropolitan area and four sites in regional WA, including two family relationship centres.

Relationships Australia Western Australia's Offer was based on the organisation having established partnerships with two non-government organisations, the Fremantle Multicultural Centre and People Against Violent Extremism. Relationships Australia Western Australia is working with both organisations to develop the program and is also supported by a steering committee that includes a school psychologist, the education department, CaLD and wider community youth representatives.