

LEGAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES — FUNDING

892. Hon Nick Goiran to the parliamentary secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to funding for legal assistance services, and I ask:

- (a) what is the total Commonwealth and State funding allocation for legal assistance services in Western Australia for 2022–23;
- (b) how much of the funding from (a) was allocated to:
 - (i) Legal Aid WA;
 - (ii) Aboriginal Legal Service;
 - (iii) Family Violence Prevention Legal Services; and
 - (iv) Community Legal Centres; and
- (c) for each of services in (a) and (b), how much of this amount was:
 - (i) Commonwealth funding through the National Legal Assistance Partnership (NLAP) (base funding under this partnership);
 - (ii) Commonwealth funding through the NLAP for the Family Advocacy and Support Service;
 - (iii) Commonwealth funding through the NLAP for Child Sex Abuse prosecutions;
 - (iv) Commonwealth funding through the NLAP for Workplace Sex Harassment;
 - (v) Commonwealth funding through the NLAP for Domestic Violence Units and Health Justice Partnerships;
 - (vi) Commonwealth funding through the NLAP for Vulnerable Women;
 - (vii) Commonwealth funding through the NLAP for Mental Health Conditions;
 - (viii) Commonwealth funding for Closing the Gap;
 - (ix) other Commonwealth NLAP funding (if any);
 - (x) State Government Covid-19 funding; and
 - (xi) other State Government Legal Assistance Services funding through the Department of Justice?

Hon Matthew Swinbourn replied:

- (a) For 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023, the total Commonwealth and State funding allocations managed by the Department of Justice and distributed to the Legal Assistance sector is approximately \$128M. The Commonwealth also provides additional funding directly to legal assistance providers which is not managed by the Department of Justice.

(b)–(c)

	Cth Baseline	Cth DVU/HJP	Cth FASS	Cth Justice Policy Partnership	Cth Coronial Inquiries Expensive Complex Cases	Cth Workplace Sexual Harassment	Cth Vulnerable Women	Cth Child Sexual Abuse Prosecutions	Cth Mental Health Conditions	State Baseline	State COVID
LAWA	\$27,666,000	–	\$1,832,000	–	–	\$150,040	\$1,029,500	\$208,000	\$150,000	\$55,663,000	–
ALSWA	\$13,667,000	–	–	\$91,000	\$780,000	\$150,040	\$990,000	–	\$1,171,000	–	–
FVPLS	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	\$885,158
CLC	\$7,200,000	\$2,160,000	–	–	–	\$1,063,920	\$1,238,500	–	\$500,000	\$8,193,000	\$3,615,842
	\$48,533,000	\$2,160,000	\$1,832,000	\$91,000	\$780,000	\$1,364,000	\$3,258,000	\$208,000	\$1,821,000	\$63,856,000	\$4,501,000

- (c) (xi) Other State Government Legal Assistance Services Funding

	State Shuttle Conferencing	State Bail Support Service/ Prison in Reach	State Custody Notification Service
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ALSWA	—	\$1,318,000	\$400,000
CLC	\$462,840	—	—
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