



## LABOR MEMBER FOR COWAN

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Happy New Year! Welcome to my newsletter.

I hope the holiday season treated you well and you had a chance to spend some time with your loved ones.

Just like that - it is time for kids to go **back to school**. I wish all the **parents and carers** the best of luck, especially if your child is about to start school for the first time.

It is so important to ensure that every child has access to **affordable and quality schooling**.

I have had the privilege of visiting every school in Cowan to better understand the **needs of each school** community.

I will continue to work with our schools to make sure that the issues affecting them are heard in Federal Parliament.

**Dr Anne Aly**  
**Federal Member for Cowan**



### What's inside?

- ✓ Grants programs update
- ✓ What's happening in Cowan?
- ✓ Information on Australia's bushfire crisis

### MEET YOUR MEMBER EVENTS

We all live busy lives and I understand that not everybody is available 9-5 from Monday to Friday.

Keep an eye out in your letterbox for times and locations of the frequent Meet Your Member and doorknocking events that I hold on weekends. Swing by and have a chat to me about any concerns you have.

For more information, give my office a call at the number below and one of my staff can help you.

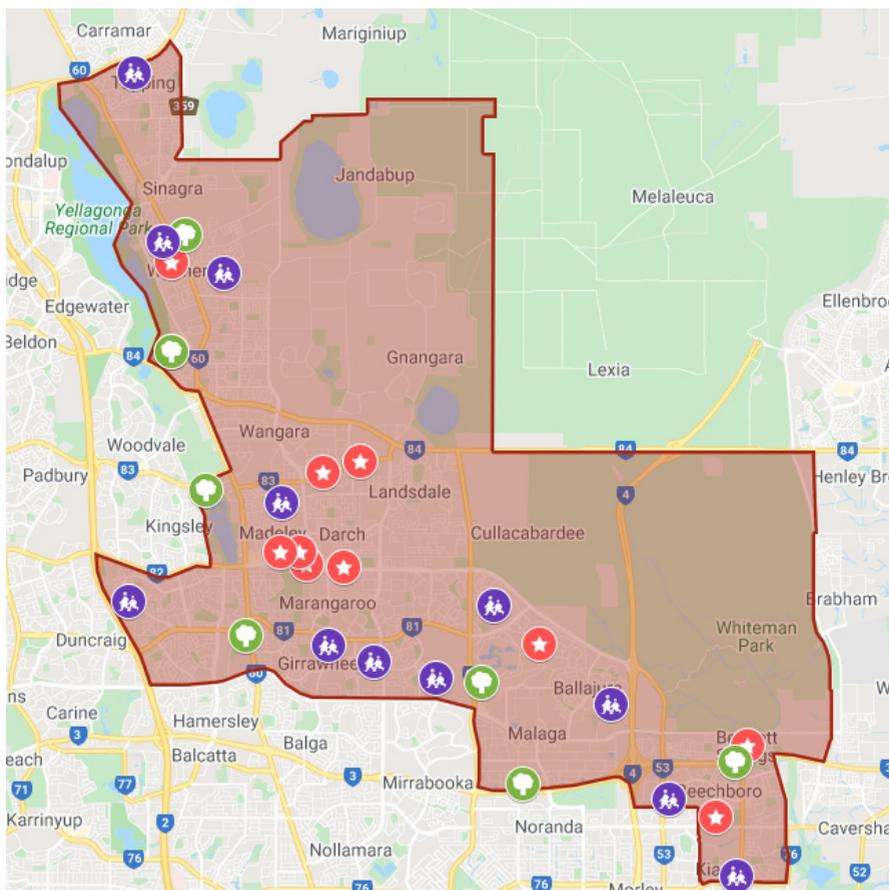
# GRANT UPDATE

Over the past few months my office has been busy working with local organisations on **three different grants programs** in our community. It has been a pleasure to work with **committed members of the electorate** on the committees that selected funding for incredible projects within Cowan.

We had so many worthy applications but couldn't possibly fund all of them with the limited funding that the Coalition allocated.

I am so pleased to announce that **30 projects** across Cowan **will receive almost half a million dollars in funding between them**. We will be seeing these projects happen over the next year.

**Keep an eye out for a project near you!**



-  Stronger Communities
-  Local Schools
-  Communities Environment

**For a full list of successful grant applicants and updates, you can check my Facebook page or website.**

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## **STRONGER COMMUNITIES**

**ALMOST \$150,000**

The Stronger Communities Programme funds small capital projects to improve local community participation and contributes to the livelihood and vibrancy in communities.

Some of the groups that have been allocated funding are **Wanneroo Sports and Social Club, Northern Suburbs Men's Shed** and **Whitelion Youth Agency**.

## **COMMUNITIES ENVIRONMENT**

**\$150,000**

The Communities Environment Program provides funding for community-led environment projects that focus on priorities in the local environment.

Some of the groups that have been allocated funding are **Friends of Yellagonga Regional Park, Native Animal Rescue** and **BirdLife WA**.

## **LOCAL SCHOOLS**

**\$200,000**

The Local Schools Community Fund provides support for schools to facilitate small-scale projects like refurbishments, playgrounds or ICT facilities.

Some of the schools that will be funded are **Girrawheen Senior High School, Illawarra Primary School** and **West Beechboro Primary School**.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN COWAN?



I had the pleasure of buying this fantastic piece from Frida at Girrawheen Senior High School to hang in my Parliament House office



Dropping off the generous Christmas donations from the community to The Pantry



The beautiful Year 5 HASS students from Beechboro Primary School who wrote to me about climate action



Brunch with this gorgeous girl (and a teddy bear!) at Grandparents Rearing Grandchildren Brunch



Cowan is home to so much innovation - here I am at HyperPower Technologies in Wangara with a solar energy drag car

## COWAN SHOUT OUTS

The brave firefighters who are doing everything they can in the national bushfire crisis.

All the Year 3 and Year 4 students who sent in art for my Christmas Card Competition. They were all so special.

Ashdale Secondary College for inviting me to judge the Waste Warrior Challenge, all the ideas were very impressive.

The students who graduated at the end of 2019 - you all worked so hard!

# AUSTRALIA'S BUSHFIRE EMERGENCY

Australia has seen many lives and properties lost over this terrible bushfire season. I am sure I join every resident in Cowan in giving thanks to the firefighters who are doing everything they can to protect Australians.

Meanwhile, Scott Morrison and his Government are still torn about action on climate change. The Coalition is so divided on climate change and has refused to listen to the farmers, firefighters and experts.

We need strong leadership on the climate emergency, leadership that listens to the experts and takes serious action to reduce carbon emissions and invest in the renewable sector to create long-term and sustainable jobs.

My Labor colleagues and I are calling on the Government for urgent action on the bushfire crisis - rather than leaving it to stressed communities and not-for-profit organisations.



Big shoutout to Jayde for hosting Sewing for the Animals affected by the bushfire crisis. I am glad my sewing machine finally got some use!

**Thank you to the people who have already donated in this time of need. The Australian community has shown just how big our hearts are.**

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

### Red Cross

[www.redcross.org.au](http://www.redcross.org.au)

### Victorian Bushfire Appeal

[www.vic.gov.au/bushfireappeal](http://www.vic.gov.au/bushfireappeal)

### SA Bushfire Appeal

[www.sa.gov.au/topics/emergencies-and-safety/recovery/donating](http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/emergencies-and-safety/recovery/donating)

### Foodbank

[www.foodbank.org.au](http://www.foodbank.org.au)

### Port Macquarie Koala Hospital

[www.gofundme.com/f/help-thirst-koalas-devastated-by-recent-fires](http://www.gofundme.com/f/help-thirst-koalas-devastated-by-recent-fires)

### RSPCA

[www.rspcansw.org.au/bushfire-appeal](http://www.rspcansw.org.au/bushfire-appeal)

### NSW Wildlife Information, Rescue and Education Service

[www.wires.org.au.au/donate/emergency-fund](http://www.wires.org.au.au/donate/emergency-fund)

### Wildlife Victoria Bushfire Appeal

[www.wildlifelifevictoria.org.au](http://www.wildlifelifevictoria.org.au)

### NSW Rural Fire Service

[www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au)

### Victorian Country Fire Authority

[www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au)

### SA Country Fire Service

[www.cfsfoundation.org.au](http://www.cfsfoundation.org.au)