## Community services

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide funding of $211.1 million to support state community services as detailed in Table 2.6.

Table 2.6: Payments to support state community services

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | 2023-24 | 2024-25 | 2025-26 | 2026-27 | 2027-28 |
| **National Partnership payments** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alcohol Treatment Services |  |  |  |  |  |
| in the Northern Territory | 3.4 | 4.8 | - | - | - |
| Changing Places Implementation | 7.2 | 7.0 | 0.2 | - | - |
| Digital Connectivity Project | 2.7 | - | - | - | - |
| Extra high visibility police and law |  |  |  |  |  |
| enforcement operations | 9.1 | 9.5 | 4.7 | - | - |
| Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Responses Agreement |  |  |  |  |  |
| Family, domestic and sexual violence |  |  |  |  |  |
| responses | 84.9 | 72.3 | - | - | - |
| 500 community sector and frontline |  |  |  |  |  |
| workers | 43.2 | 52.4 | 54.5 | 55.6 | 56.9 |
| Innovative approaches to addressing |  |  |  |  |  |
| perpetrator behaviour | 9.7 | 6.2 | 5.3 | 5.3 | - |
| Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investment |  |  |  |  |  |
| Community safety implementation plan | 50.3 | 52.6 | - | - | - |
| Remote Australia strategies |  |  |  |  |  |
| implementation plan | 3.9 | 5.7 | - | - | - |
| Payments from the DisabilityCare Australia |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fund | 2,015.0 | - | - | - | - |
| Remote Community Store Licensing Scheme | 1.5 | - | - | - | - |
| Social Impact Investments |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vulnerable Priority Groups | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 4.8 | - |
| Strong and Resilient Communities | .. | - | - | - | - |
| Tasmanian Emergency Food Distribution | 1.3 | - | - | - | - |
| **Total** | **2,232.8** | **211.1** | **65.2** | **65.6** | **56.9** |

### National Partnership payments for community services

The Australian Government provides National Partnership payments to the states for community services, as detailed below.

Alcohol Treatment Services in the Northern Territory

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023‑24 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| 2024‑25 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 4.8 | 4.8 |
| 2025‑26 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2026‑27 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2027‑28 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| **Total** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **8.2** | **8.2** |

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory Government to support First Nations communities to make decisions about alcohol treatment services that best suit their needs.

Changing Places Implementation(a)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023-24 | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | 0.1 | ~ | ~ | ~ | 7.2 |
| 2024-25 | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | 7.0 |
| 2025-26 | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | 0.2 |
| 2026-27 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2027-28 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Total** | **~** | **~** | **~** | **~** | **0.1** | **~** | **~** | **~** | **14.4** |

1. Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding of up to one‑third of the build cost per facility, to support a Changing Places facility in each of the approximately 400 Local Government Areas currently without one.

Digital Connectivity Project

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023-24 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2.7 | 2.7 |
| 2024-25 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2025-26 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2026-27 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2027-28 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Total** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **2.7** | **2.7** |

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of digital connectivity uplift via the provision or enhancement of mobile connectivity to regional and remote communities of the Northern Territory through a one‑off payment.

Extra high visibility police and law enforcement operation

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023-24 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 9.1 | 9.1 |
| 2024-25 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 9.5 | 9.5 |
| 2025-26 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| 2026-27 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2027-28 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Total** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **23.3** | **23.3** |

The Australian Government is providing funding over two years from 2024-25 to deliver additional policing and other community safety support measures in Alice Springs. This funding will be delivered through an 18-month extension of the national partnership agreement between the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Government for the Strengthening Community Safety in Central Australia program.

A new measure associated with this item is listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, Budget Measures 2024–25.

#### Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Responses Agreement

Family, domestic and sexual violence responses

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023-24 | 25.8 | 20.7 | 17.5 | 9.9 | 6.1 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 84.9 |
| 2024-25 | 22.0 | 17.7 | 14.9 | 8.4 | 5.2 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 72.3 |
| 2025-26 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2026-27 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2027-28 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Total** | **47.8** | **38.4** | **32.3** | **18.3** | **11.3** | **3.5** | **2.7** | **2.9** | **157.2** |

The Australian Government is providing funding to states to invest in services to support women and children who are experiencing or are at risk of violence, including in the context of the COVID‑19 pandemic, and to trial new initiatives to support women and children experiencing violence. The funding will enable states to respond to high levels of demand for domestic, family and sexual violence services, and will ensure these continue to support those who need it most.

500 community sector and frontline workers(a)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023‑24 | 11.8 | 10.9 | 9.1 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 43.2 |
| 2024‑25 | 15.6 | 10.6 | 11.7 | 5.2 | 3.9 | 2.6 | 0.8 | 2.1 | 52.4 |
| 2025‑26 | 16.2 | 11.0 | 12.2 | 5.4 | 4.0 | 2.7 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 54.5 |
| 2026‑27 | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | 55.6 |
| 2027‑28 | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | 56.9 |
| **Total** | **43.5** | **32.5** | **33.0** | **14.5** | **10.8** | **7.5** | **2.2** | **6.1** | **262.6** |

1. State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding for new frontline and community sector workers to provide support to women and children experiencing family, domestic, and sexual violence. This initiative will generate 500 new jobs for community organisations nationally.

**Innovative approaches to addressing perpetrator behaviour**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023-24 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 9.7 |
| 2024-25 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 6.2 |
| 2025-26 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 5.3 |
| 2026-27 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 5.3 |
| 2027-28 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Total** | **3.4** | **3.4** | **3.4** | **3.4** | **3.4** | **3.4** | **2.9** | **3.4** | **26.5** |

The Australian Government is providing funding to the states to develop innovative approaches to address family, domestic, and sexual violence perpetrator behaviour. These approaches, which may include technological solutions such as electronic monitoring, will help hold perpetrators to account, prevent them from reoffending, and improve protection for victim‑survivors.

#### Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment

The Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment agreement supports the Northern Territory to improve schooling for First Nations children, make communities safer and healthier, and increase access to interpreter services and job opportunities for First Nations Australians. Other components of this agreement are discussed in the Health, Education and Other sections of this Part.

Community safety implementation plan

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023‑24 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 50.3 | 50.3 |
| 2024‑25 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 52.6 | 52.6 |
| 2025‑26 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2026‑27 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2027‑28 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| **Total** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **102.9** | **102.9** |

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory to make remote communities safer, improve child and family safety, and address alcohol‑related harm through this implementation plan.

A new measure associated with this item is listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, Budget Measures 2024–25.

Remote Australia strategies implementation plan

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023‑24 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 3.9 | 3.9 |
| 2024‑25 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 5.7 | 5.7 |
| 2025‑26 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2026‑27 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2027‑28 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| **Total** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **9.7** | **9.7** |

The Remote Australia Strategies Schedule provides funding to the Northern Territory Government to support a sustainable, professional and qualified Aboriginal interpreter service.

A new measure associated with this item is listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, Budget Measures 2024–25.

Payments from the DisabilityCare Australia Fund(a)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023‑24 | 361.9 | 280.0 | 226.6 | 1,007.5 | 83.4 | 25.9 | 18.7 | 11.1 | 2,015.0 |
| 2024‑25 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2025‑26 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2026‑27 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2027‑28 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| **Total** | **361.9** | **280.0** | **226.6** | **1,007.5** | **83.4** | **25.9** | **18.7** | **11.1** | **2,015.0** |

1. Funding amounts for WA are indicative estimates only. Negotiations are continuing on drawdown arrangements.

This funding agreement partially reimburses the states for expenditure incurred in relation to the National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013. Under the DisabilityCare Australia Fund Act 2013, a proportion of the funding held in the DisabilityCare Australia Fund has been allocated to the states over a 10‑year period.

Remote Community Store Licensing Scheme

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023‑24 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| 2024‑25 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2025‑26 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2026‑27 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| 2027‑28 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| **Total** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **‑** | **1.5** | **1.5** |

The Australian Government provided funding to transition the remote community store licensing scheme currently delivered by the Australian Government to the Northern Territory Government.

The scheme was introduced in 2007, with the aim of supporting improved store governance, management practices and quality of food in remote community stores. The scheme regulates around 100 stores across 70 remote First Nations communities.

#### Social Impact Investments

Vulnerable Priority Groups(a)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023‑24 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 0.5 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 0.5 |
| 2024‑25 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 0.5 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 0.5 |
| 2025‑26 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 0.5 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | 0.5 |
| 2026‑27 | ~ | ~ | ~ | ~ | 1.6 | ~ | ~ | ~ | 4.8 |
| 2027‑28 | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ | ‑ |
| **Total** | **~** | **~** | **~** | **~** | **3.2** | **~** | **~** | **~** | **6.4** |

1. State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to state governments to trial social impact investments which aim to assist vulnerable priority groups.

Strong and Resilient Communities

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023-24 | - | - | .. | .. | - | - | - | - | .. |
| 2024-25 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2025-26 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2026-27 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2027-28 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Total** | **-** | **-** | .. | .. | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | .. |

The Australian Government is supporting the delivery of the Community Outreach Project and the Disability and Vulnerable Member Accessibility Project by providing one‑off funding through the Strong and Resilient Communities grant program.

Tasmanian Emergency Food Distribution

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| $million | NSW | VIC | QLD | WA | SA | TAS | ACT | NT | Total |
| 2023-24 | - | - | - | - | - | 1.3 | - | - | 1.3 |
| 2024-25 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2025-26 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2026-27 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2027-28 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Total** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **1.3** | **-** | **-** | **1.3** |

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of Loaves and Fishes Tasmania Emergency Food Distribution’s food relief operations across Tasmania through one‑off funding for the acquisition of a warehouse.