



2025-26

# Annual Report

Creating a **healthier** WA together



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Statement of Compliance

The Hon. Meredith Hammat MLA Minister for Health; Mental Health; Preventative Health

In accordance with Section 63 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*, we hereby submit for your information and presentation to Parliament, the Annual Report of the Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation (Healthway) for the financial year ended 30 June 2026.

The Annual Report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 2006* and other legislative requirements.

The financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

Healthway currently operates under the *Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation Act 2016*.



Ms Karen Brown  
Presiding Member  
20 August 2026



Mr Colin Smith  
Chief Executive Officer  
20 August 2026

Cover: Top image: 2025 NAIDOC Basketball Carnival. Image courtesy Basketball WA. Bottom left image: Re-PLAY installation view exhibition, The Art Gallery of Western Australia. 2025. Photo by Rift Photography. Image right: Motorcross WA.

Acknowledgement of Country

Ngalyag gaadidj Whadjag galyagab Nyoongar boodja nhidjala ngalyla Head Office ag nyina. Ngalyag ngargal wirrn boola birrdiya alyang boodjarra ngali goorraa go yayee go gwab boodja waniny go dworrag al ngalyla moord yayee go dharbiny meelyaa.

We acknowledge the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation as the Traditional Owners of the land on which our Head Office is based. We wish to show our respect to Elders throughout Western Australia, both past and present, for their cultural contributions to the life of our community now and into the future.

Healthway is committed to walking in partnership with Aboriginal communities to support initiatives that strengthen cultural identity, promote healthy environments and improve wellbeing for all.

Together, we strive to create a healthier WA – one that respects culture, protects Country, and supports Aboriginal communities to thrive.

Images: 2025 NAIDOC Basketball Carnival. Image courtesy Basketball WA.

# Presiding Member Foreword

Healthway's driving objective is to help Western Australians live healthier and happier lives.

In the 2025–26 financial year, Healthway has continued to help create healthy environments that support the Western Australian community to make more informed choices about health and leading a healthy lifestyle, while also reducing the need for hospital and clinical care.

We have worked with sports, arts, schools and community organisations to deliver health promotion campaigns and education, grants, partnerships and research, and to advocate for and coordinate healthy policy and systems change.

Building on the appointment of Australia's first Minister for Preventative Health, Healthway has played an active role in supporting the development of the state's first Preventative Health Strategy.

This landmark strategy will guide a coordinated, whole-of-government approach to improving the health and wellbeing of Western Australians. It reflects a strong commitment to increase the focus on the prevention end of the healthcare spectrum – creating healthier environments, reducing the risk factors for chronic disease and supporting people to live well for longer.

Healthway has worked with WA Health and the Mental Health Commission, as key agencies in the Preventative Health portfolio, to support development of the Preventative Health Strategy, jointly arranging a series of targeted stakeholder roundtables, separate stakeholder consultations and an open public consultation process.

This broad engagement has provided valuable insights into community needs and opportunities for action and will help shape a strategy grounded in both lived experience and practical expertise.

Healthway is also contributing to a broader advisory group, bringing together expertise from key agencies and non-government organisations to ensure the strategy reflects community needs and priorities.

Together, this work represents an important step towards a more proactive, connected and sustainable health system—one that supports all Western Australians to thrive.

Image: Mr Gavin Bain, Presiding Member Ms Karen Brown, former Board Member Mr Steve Harris, Professor Billie Giles-Corti, Professor Donna Cross, Ms Miriam Borthwick, Healthway's CEO Mr Colin Smith & Ms Lisa Bayakly.



This financial year has also seen the introduction of strengthened tobacco and vaping laws in WA, reflecting the Government's commitment to protecting the community from the harms of smoking and nicotine dependence.

These reforms include tougher measures to address the illicit tobacco and vape trade, including stronger enforcement powers, increased penalties and the ability to close premises involved in illegal activity.

Along with national regulations restricting access to vaping products, these reforms work alongside Healthway's continuing promotion of campaigns such as Make Smoking History and Clear the Air® through our sports, arts and community partnerships. These actions represent a comprehensive, high impact approach to reducing uptake, particularly among young people, limiting exposure to harm and improving long-term health outcomes across WA.

I sincerely thank my Board colleagues and research committee members for their ongoing dedication and valuable contributions to Healthway. During the year, we marked the departure of long-serving Board member Steve Harris after nine years of dedicated service. We also welcomed Gavin Bain to the Board, bringing valuable experience to support our work, and note the reappointment of Professor Donna Cross, whose continued contribution of expert insights is greatly appreciated. Finally, I thank the Hon. Sabine Winton MLA for her leadership in advancing a healthier WA and welcome the Hon. Meredith Hammat MLA to the portfolio as we continue this important work together.

Ms Karen Brown  
Presiding Member

Image: Southern Edge Arts Showcase 2026. Image by Ann & Tom Productions, courtesy Southern Edge Arts.



# CEO Executive Summary

In 2025–26, Healthway continued to strengthen its leadership in health promotion and preventative health, with particular focus on delivering greater impact for children and young people, Aboriginal and regional communities.

In line with our Strategic Plan 2024-2029: *Creating a healthier Western Australia together* (Strategic Plan), Healthway supported partnerships and community-led programs to achieve meaningful, long-term outcomes in health and wellbeing across the state.

We funded health promotion and education campaigns to raise public awareness and, because health and wellbeing does not rest solely on individual choices, we also advocated for policy and systems change at local, state and federal levels to make it easier to live an active and healthy life.

A highlight of this financial year was the investment of more than \$1 million through the 2025 Open Research Round, supporting innovative research to help Western Australians stay healthier, more active and connected. Eight projects were funded in this round, including an initiative focusing on physical activity and mental wellbeing in new mothers, investigating the availability of nicotine pouches in WA and exploring a digital tool to improve young families' access to support services.

Building research capability remained a priority, with Healthway investing more than \$550,000 through our Health Promotion Research Fellowship and Aboriginal Health Research Scholarship programs to support the next generation of researchers and enable community-led approaches that improve health outcomes across WA.

At the community level, we continued to invest in partnerships that promote healthy lifestyles and strengthen wellbeing. This included support for the Rugby for Life program with RugbyWA, helping create healthier club environments, as well as partnerships with the West Coast Fever and Perth Heat, using elite sport to connect with communities and encourage people, particularly young Western Australians, to be active, healthy and engaged. These initiatives combine game-day activation with grassroots outreach, demonstrating the powerful role sport plays in promoting health and wellbeing across the state.

This year also marked a first, with an arts-based vaping prevention pilot using creative storytelling and student-led engagement to help young people navigate social pressures, challenge misinformation and make informed health decisions.

Through initiatives like the Food Community project, we are also supporting locally-led solutions to improve food access in regional communities, helping to build capacity and long-term resilience.

At a national level, Healthway played a key role in strengthening collaboration through the Prevention Agencies Chief Executive (PACE) Forum, launched in August 2025. Working alongside our counterpart agencies, Health and Wellbeing Queensland, VicHealth and Preventive Health SA, this forum has supported shared research, aligned priorities and national advocacy in preventative health across Australia.

As I reflect on the year, I am proud of the progress we have made and grateful to our staff, partners and stakeholders. Together, we are building a healthier, more connected and more resilient Western Australia.



Mr Colin Smith  
Chief Executive Officer

Image: Motorcycling WA's MiniX program.

# About Healthway

The Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation (Healthway) is the State Government agency dedicated to health promotion and preventative health. We work across systems and in partnership with organisations to create healthy environments, inspire and empower individuals to make healthy lifestyle choices, and influence policy so that good health is easier to achieve for everyone.

Healthway's Strategic Plan sets the direction for our work to improve health and wellbeing across WA.

## What we do

- Partner with arts, sport, racing and community organisations to deliver programs that support good health and wellbeing.
- Fund research that informs policy and leads to better health outcomes.
- Advocate for system-level change to improve health equity across the state.
- Work collaboratively in partnership with government, not-for-profit and community partners to achieve a healthier WA.

Image right: Hockey WA Fuel to Go & Play® Championships. Image courtesy Hockey WA.

## Who we prioritise

We support the whole community in Western Australia, with a strong focus on:

- Children and young people, especially in their early years
- Aboriginal people and communities
- People from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds
- People living in regional areas
- Communities experiencing disadvantage
- LGBTQIA+ community.

## Our approach

- We deliver the WA Government's health promotion and preventative health priorities, ensuring our work aligns with statewide strategies that improve the health and wellbeing of Western Australians.
- We foster collaboration and connection, partnering across government, community, arts, sport and research to tackle the root causes of health issues.
- We prioritise communities with the greatest health needs.
- We fund evidence-based initiatives that drive health promotion outcomes.
- We support practical research and innovation in public health.
- We evaluate health promotion efforts to ensure they make a real difference.

## Where we focus our efforts and how we deliver change

Our work is concentrated in five priority health areas that contribute most strongly to health and wellbeing:

### PRIORITY HEALTH AREAS



Promote healthy eating



Promote active living



Promote mental wellbeing



Prevent & reduce use of alcohol



Prevent & reduce use of tobacco, e-cigarettes and other novel tobacco products

### GRANT PROGRAMS



**Healthy Partnerships**  
Working with sport, arts and racing organisations to provide healthy environments and promote good health.



**Healthy Communities**  
Supporting health promotion projects in our community.



**Creating Healthy Spaces**  
Funding that focuses on creating healthy environments in sport and recreation settings.

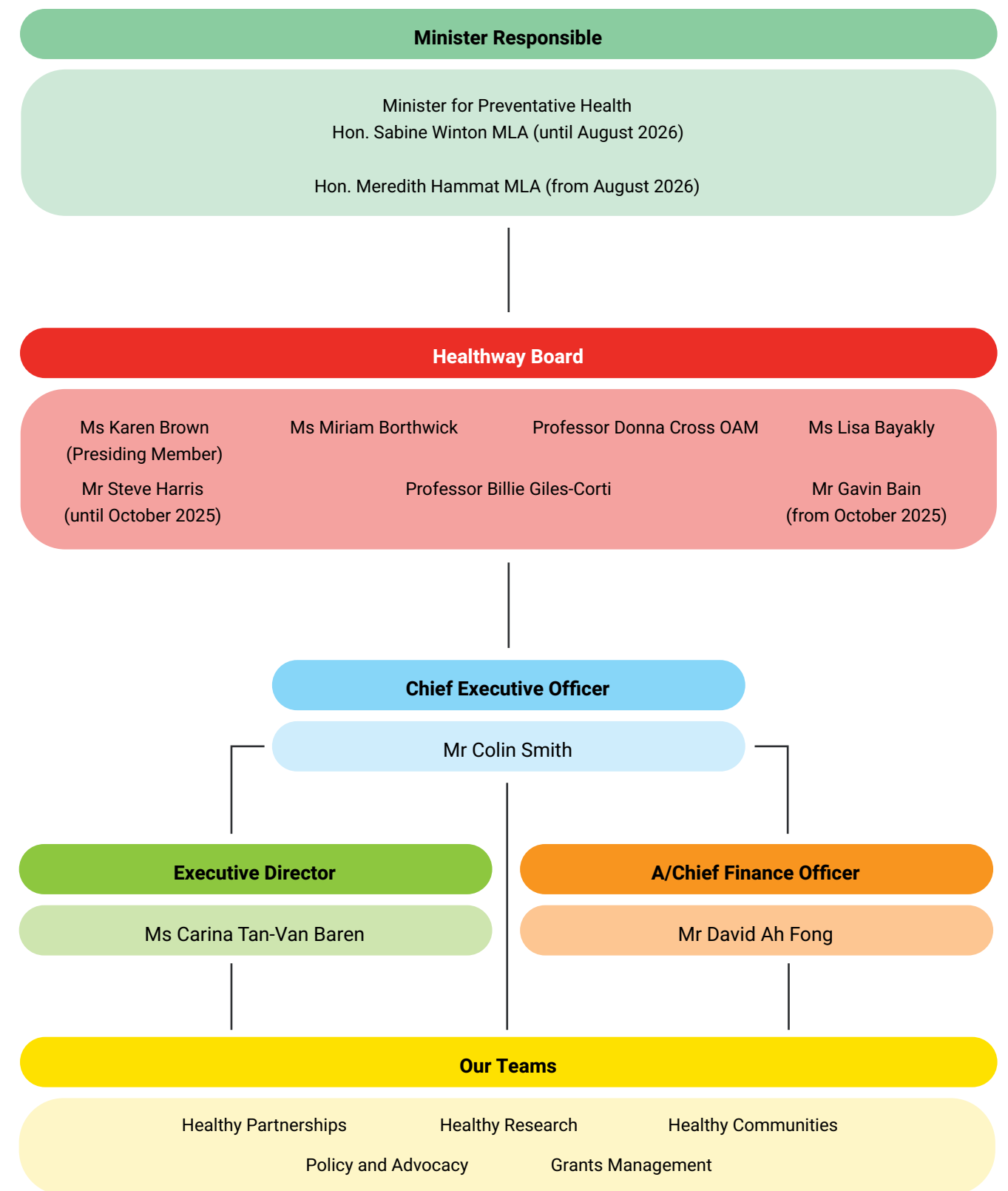


**Healthy Research**  
Funding for health promotion research that builds the evidence base and research capacity through fellowships and scholarships.



Image: 2025 Act Belong Commit YOH Fest Grand Final. Image courtesy YOH Fest.

## Organisational Structure



# Meet Our Board



## Ms Karen Brown (Presiding Member)

Ms Karen Brown joined the Board as Presiding Member in September 2024 and brings significant expertise in media, public service and business. During a 16-year media career, she was the first woman to serve as Chief of Staff and Deputy Editor at The West Australian newspaper and, later, as WA Editor at The Australian. Ms Brown has worked as a consultant and advisor across various industries, providing crisis management, communications and strategy advice. She is Chair of Lotterywest, Non-Executive Chair of WA communications firm Purple, and serves on the boards of the South Metropolitan Health Service, the Royal Flying Doctor Service Western Operations, and the Pinnacle Foundation.



## Professor Donna Cross OAM

Professor Donna Cross OAM joined the Healthway Board in October 2022. She is an Emeritus Professor and Senior Honorary Fellow at the University of WA, a Senior Consultant to the New South Wales Government and an Honorary Distinguished Fellow at The Kids Research Institute Australia. Professor Cross is an internationally renowned academic who has contributed to child and adolescent health promotion and education research in the USA, Canada, Finland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Japan, and Israel (working with the EU COST Collaborations). She also served as an expert advisor to UNESCO, the World Health Organisation and international foundations such as the (Princess) Mary Foundation in Denmark. Professor Cross has led research addressing school-based wellbeing issues related to drug use, road safety, smoking and bullying behaviour prevention, and children's social and emotional development. She holds a Doctorate in Education from Columbia University (USA), is a fellow of the Australian Academy of Health and Medical Science, and a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.



## Ms Miriam Borthwick (Deputy Presiding Member)

Ms Miriam Borthwick joined the Healthway Board in May 2018 and was appointed as the Deputy Presiding Member in September 2019. She is an experienced journalist, strategic communications specialist and media relations advisor. Ms Borthwick previously served as Senior Media Advisor to the Harry Perkins Institute of Medical Research and consults privately to a wide range of clients. She currently serves on the boards of Rocky Bay, Hale School and Shift Accessible Homes, and is a former Lotterywest Board member. She is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.



## Professor Billie Giles-Corti

Professor Billie Giles-Corti joined the Healthway Board in August 2024. From 2003-2020 she was an NHMRC research fellow, culminating in a Senior Principal Research Fellowship and being awarded the Elizabeth Blackburn Public Health Fellow as the top ranked female in 2015. She is an RMIT Emerita Professor. From 2017-20, Professor Giles-Corti was RMIT's Urban Futures Enabling Capability Platform Director, and from 2017-22 she led the Centre for Urban Research's Healthy Liveable Cities Lab. For more than two decades, Professor Giles-Corti and multi-disciplinary research teams have been studying the impact of the built environment on health and wellbeing. From 2014-20, she led an NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence in Healthy Liveable Communities, working closely with local and national policy-makers and practitioners in Perth, Melbourne, Brisbane and nationally. From 2014-23, she was a Chief Investigator of the Australian Prevention Partnership Centre and led its National Liveability Study, which initiated the Australian Urban Observatory. She has published more than 400 articles, book chapters and reports, and by citations, has been ranked in the top 1% of researchers in her field globally.



## Ms Lisa Bayakly

Ms Lisa Bayakly joined the Healthway Board in April 2024 and was appointed Chair of Healthway's Finance Risk and Audit Committee in January 2025. She is the Chief Executive Officer of Cystic Fibrosis WA, a not-for-profit organisation focused on advocacy, research and service provision to support people living with cystic fibrosis and other respiratory conditions. Ms Bayakly was previously a Partner at KPMG, assisting clients across the government, health and not-for-profit sectors. She has extensive experience in organisational governance and financial and risk management. Ms Bayakly is a Certified Practicing Accountant and a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.



## Mr Gavin Bain

Mr Gavin Bain joined the Healthway Board in October 2025 and is Chief Executive Officer Asia Pacific at Verian Group, where he leads strategy, growth and performance across Australia, New Zealand and South East Asia. He brings extensive experience in communications, public policy advisory, research and behavioural insights, having held senior leadership roles across marketing, advertising, consulting and professional services. Gavin has a strong track record in organisational transformation, governance and financial performance improvement. He also serves on the West Australian Ballet Board and advises a number of creative businesses as a mentor.

### Board members who left this financial year:

Mr Steve Harris joined the Healthway Board in September 2016 and retired in October 2025.

Image: RugbyWA and Healthway work together to deliver Rugby Resilience: Healthy minds, bodies and clubs. Image courtesy RugbyWA.





# 2025-26 Funding Impact Snapshot

223

Health promotion projects delivered

194

Organisations supported

\$20,792,706

Granted this year

## Funding by program area

**Healthy Partnerships**  
113 projects · \$11,918,284

**Healthy Communities**  
88 projects · \$6,433,409

**Healthy Research**  
22 projects · \$2,441,013

Image: Volleyball WA's Alcohol.Think Again Round. Image by Aussies in Action, courtesy Volleyball WA.

# Grantee Perceptions

Healthway funding is driving measurable change in the environments where Western Australians live, work and play. It is improving access to healthy food and drink, strengthening organisational capacity and building partnerships that extend beyond the life of funding. Together, these results show both immediate impact and a foundation for long-term community health.

## Creating and Sustaining Healthy Environments through Partnerships

Healthway funding supports the adoption, maintenance and strengthening of healthy settings, while embedding policy changes that support long-term impact.



### Smoke and vape-free environments

Smoke and vape-free spaces were maintained across most settings.



### Responsible alcohol practices upheld

Responsible service of alcohol practices was upheld in most settings.

By maintaining strong foundations and embedding healthy practices, organisations are building environments where healthier options thrive, including the following key outcomes:

60%

created and implemented a new health policy



85%

increased healthy food and drink options



54%

reduced the prominence of sugary drinks

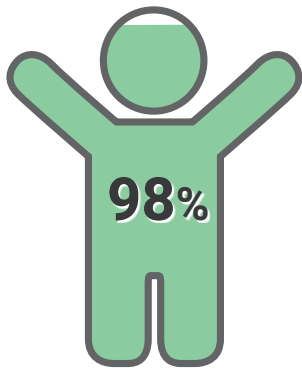


Image: Theatre Kimberley's Dragonfly Outreach Program, Bidyadanga. Image courtesy Feral Films.

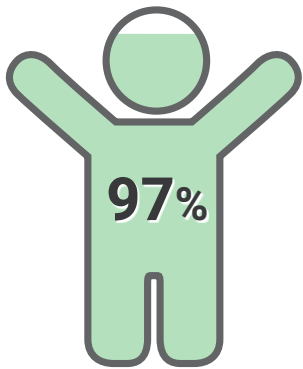
Empowering Organisations and Communities

In 2025-26, funded organisations' grant reports showed improvements in staff capability and strong outcomes for participants across health knowledge, attitudes and behaviours, including the following:

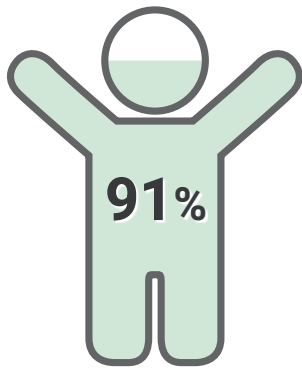
- Most organisations reported improvements in workforce capability and confidence to deliver health promotion.



Increased knowledge of healthy behaviours



Positive changes in staff attitudes

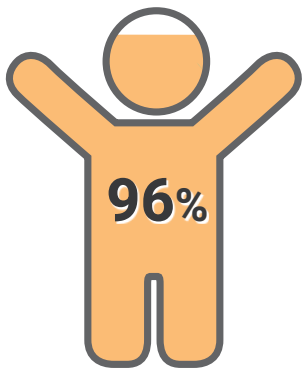


Positive behaviour change

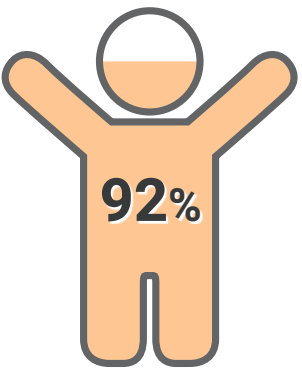
- Organisations also reported strong impacts for participants, with improvements in health knowledge, attitudes and behaviours.



Increased knowledge among participants



Improved attitudes to health behaviours



Positive changes in behaviour of participants

These results demonstrate strong community reach and effective delivery of health promotion activities.

Building Capacity

Funded organisations also reported that funding strengthened different aspects of organisational capacity. Together, these findings suggest that funded organisations are well positioned to reach participants effectively and support meaningful changes in knowledge, attitudes and behaviours.

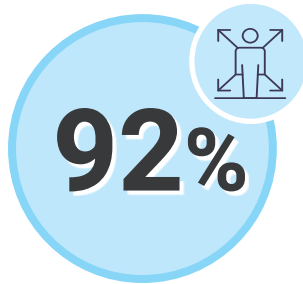
Reach and engagement



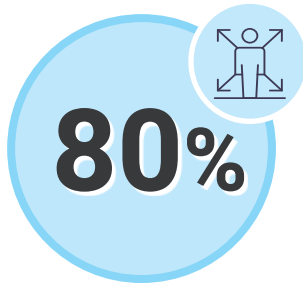
Stronger engagement with existing groups



Increased ability to engage with priority groups



Expanded reach to new groups



Improved rural and remote reach

Participation and delivery / Collaboration



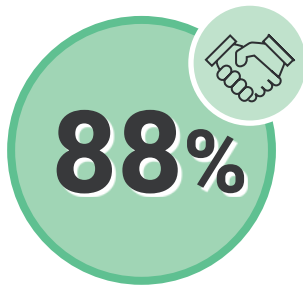
Delivered new initiatives



Increased participation and attendance



Expanded programs



Collaborated with other organisations

Image: Theatre Kimberley's Dragonfly Outreach Program, Bidyadanga. Image courtesy Feral Films.

# Agency Performance

## Leadership and Advocacy

Healthway's Strategic Plan identifies advocacy and leadership as key action areas in health promotion, alongside partnerships, evaluation and research. As part of this work, we fund three advocacy partners: Cancer Council WA in relation to unhealthy food and drinks; the Food for Health Alliance in relation to influencing food policy at the national level; and the Australian Council on Smoking and Health in relation to tobacco, e-cigarettes and other novel tobacco products.

Healthway also works across all levels of government and with non-government organisations to create healthier environments and influence policy to reduce barriers to health and wellbeing. This financial year, our strategic approach was demonstrated through the following initiatives:

### Prevention Agencies Chief Executive (PACE) Forum

The PACE Forum and its associated senior officers' group were launched in August 2025 and meet bi-monthly to share and strengthen opportunities for collaboration across Australia's four state prevention agencies. Key outcomes this financial year included coordinated funding for national research into the impact of the Federal Government's social media minimum age framework and joint leadership at the Public Health Association of Australia Preventive Health Conference 2026. At the conference, agency leaders, including Healthway Executive Director Carina Tan-Van Baren, took part in a panel discussion addressing strategic priorities, how each agency is tackling obesity prevention and how to elevate the value of prevention in the broader health system. At the end of this financial year, Healthway assumed the secretariat role for the forum, leading and coordinating its continued efforts into 2026–27.

## Local government support

Local governments play a critical role in creating healthy environments across WA. The State Public Health Plan 2025–2030 requires local governments to prepare and publish local public health plans by 4 June 2026. In 2025, Healthway developed a Public Health Plan Template to assist in the development of plans and supported the expansion of the Thriving Perth Portal to improve local government access to the necessary planning and monitoring data. Healthway also promoted the Public Health Plan Activation Program to support the delivery of existing public health plans. As part of this work, we partnered with the WA Local Government Association to promote these tools and strengthen capability across the sector.

## Communities of Practice

Healthway's Communities of Practice continue to bring together our key sporting partners to collaborate, share their experiences and learn from expert presenters about promoting mental health and wellbeing and healthier food environments.

On 6 October 2025, Foodcore Nutrition Services delivered a presentation to the Healthy Eating Community of Practice, providing practical examples of healthier food and drink services in sport. On 26 November 2025, the Mental Health Community of Practice session included presentations from the Mental Health Commission and SportWest.

## High impact grant making

In 2025–26, Healthway invested in initiatives across schools, sport and the arts to deliver lasting health benefits for the Western Australian community, with particular focus on children and young people, Aboriginal and regional communities. This funding reflects our broad, evidence-based and community-led strategy to drive long-term health outcomes across WA.

### Healthy Schools Program

This program provides WA public schools with grants of up to \$5,000 to deliver initiatives that promote student and community health and wellbeing, and are aligned to our priority health areas and the Health Promoting Schools Framework. In the 2025 round, 60 schools shared in \$272,904 to deliver projects including healthy cooking and nutrition programs, school vegetable gardens, sensory spaces and professional development for teachers to support high-quality physical education. In 2026, more than \$300,000 in Healthy Schools Program funding was awarded to 67 schools, with projects rolling out for delivery in Term 3.

### The Food Community project

Delivered by Edith Cowan University (ECU), the Food Community project began in 2018 as a Healthway-funded pilot in the South West and expanded to six additional regions between 2022 and 2024. This project strengthens food security by improving food access, availability, sustainability and system coordination. The project led to the development of the Food Community website, which maps more than 480 food security initiatives across WA. Funding concluded this financial year, with outputs shared via the website, fact sheets and academic publications.

## Food action groups

In the next phase of the Food Community project, Amity Health was awarded \$538,318 to partner with ECU to pilot locally-led food action groups, a key strategy to improve food access. Amity Health will work with residents, Aboriginal community leaders, government and food retail and relief partners to establish community-led food action groups. Over the next three years, they will develop local food action plans that set priorities and guide coordinated action now and into the future. As part of the pilot, community initiatives will be delivered in Narrogin, Katanning, Kojonup, Broomehill-Tambellup and Gnowangerup. These initiatives will boost local food access, deliver nutrition, cooking and gardening programs, improve public food procurement and build local skills, capacity and resilience.

## New tool to improve nutrition and reduce hunger

Curtin University launched a new global online course to support staff and volunteers from food relief providers to deliver more dignified, client-focused services. The course was co-designed with food relief organisations and volunteers and builds on knowledge of hunger, food insecurity and approaches to strengthening nutrition policy and practice in food relief settings.

Image left: Prevention Agency Chief Executives panel at the PHAA Preventive Health Conference 2026 in Hobart. Pictured: Ms Carina Tan-Van Baren, Executive Director, Healthway; Ms Marina Bowshall, Chief Executive, Preventive Health SA; Dr Robyn Littlewood, CEO, Health and Wellbeing Queensland; and Professor Anna Peeters, CEO, VicHealth. Image courtesy Public Health Association of Australia.

Image below: Basketball WA's Fuel to Go & Play® cafe at Warwick Stadium.



## Advancing healthy eating in WA

Healthway works to increase healthy eating and reduce levels of overweight and obesity in WA through a comprehensive health promotion approach that includes policy advocacy, public education campaigns, programs and support for healthier food environments.

This year, Healthway increased its targeted investment in activities addressing healthy eating from 25% to 30% of the total grant budget, enabling greater support for partners delivering healthy eating initiatives.

We also contributed to the development of Australia's first National Food Security Strategy, promoting a person-centred approach to food security through improved access to affordable, healthy food and stronger policy, monitoring and implementation measures. In addition, to help consumers choose healthier foods, we advocated to mandate the Health Star Rating system through a submission to Food Standards Australia New Zealand.

### Crunch&Sip® 20-year milestone

This year, Healthway and Cancer Council WA celebrated Crunch & Sip's® 20-year milestone. Since 2005, the WA Government has invested around \$6 million in the program, which has grown from a six school pilot to a statewide initiative reaching more than 560 schools and 173,500 students. This milestone was celebrated with a stakeholder event at Healthway, attended by the former Parliamentary Secretary for Preventative Health, Emily Hamilton MLA. The then Minister for Preventative Health, the Hon. Sabine Winton MLA, also marked the occasion, unveiling the program's new mascot, Crunchy, at East Wanneroo Primary School.

## Creating healthier communities through local action

Local governments play a critical role in creating environments that support our objectives in health promotion and preventative health. In 2025–26, we supported healthier, happier and more connected communities across WA through the following initiatives.

### Public Health Plans

Through the development of our Local Government Public Health Plan template and complemented by our funding to ECU to support healthy local government advertising policies, 11 local governments across WA have included an action in their public health plans relating to restricting unhealthy food and drink advertising. This number is expected to increase in the next financial year as more local governments publish their public health plans.

### Thriving Perth Portal

Urbaqua received \$392,528 to expand a map-based tool to provide local governments with access to localised health, environmental and planning data to support their public health planning. In the coming year, Urbaqua will partner with more than 22 local governments to support use of the portal as a planning and evaluation tool. The Thriving Perth Portal integrates spatial data across environment, planning, hydrology, climate, population and health, helping councils better understand how the built and natural environment influence wellbeing.

### Waroona Railside Park 'Breath of Fresh Air'

The Shire of Waroona received \$13,625 to successfully deliver a smoke- and vape-free park environment, reducing exposure to second-hand smoke. Funded through the Public Health Plan Activation Program, this project increased youth engagement through park activations and enhanced community awareness of smoke- and vape-free messaging and cessation support, supporting long-term community health.

### Smoke and Vape Free Zones in Armadale

The City of Armadale received \$30,000 through Healthway's Public Health Plan Activation Program to raise awareness of smoke- and vape-free areas, aligning with local laws prohibiting smoking and vaping on council-managed land.

### Community Active Living Program

The Shire of East Pilbara received \$39,000 to support residents in Newman, Nullagine and Marble Bar to get active. During 2026, free active living starter packs, which included complimentary gym and pool visits, group fitness classes and access to casual sport activities, were made available to eligible participants at the Newman Aquatic Centre and Newman Recreation Centre.

Image: Launch of Crunch&Sip® new mascot 'Crunchy' inspired by East Wanneroo Primary School student submission.



## Delivering capability

### Language and stigma workshop

The Mental Health Commission delivered a workshop to Healthway staff on 12 May 2026, providing practical skills to communicate about mental health, suicide and alcohol and other drugs in a safe, respectful and inclusive way. The session highlighted the importance of language in reducing stigma and harm, supporting help-seeking behaviours and avoiding stereotypes and misinformation, while promoting accurate and person-centred communication.

### Strengthening connection and communication

In February 2026, Healthway staff participated in a workshop to enhance internal communication, strengthen teamwork and support more effective stakeholder engagement.

## Supporting equitable approaches to health promotion

In 2025-26, Healthway sought to increase its investment in partnerships and research that advance health equity and improved outcomes for priority populations, including Aboriginal people, people from culturally and linguistically diverse communities, those living in regional and remote areas and LGBTQIA+ communities. We prioritised work that addressed the social determinants of health and delivered meaningful benefits for people experiencing disadvantage.

### Supporting rapid research

The Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia received \$50,000 this financial year to deliver a targeted review of the impact of the Federal Government's Social Media Minimum Age policy and what it means for the mental wellbeing of LGBTQIA+ young people in WA. By generating early, evidence-informed insights, the project will inform practical supports for partnering community organisations to support LGBTQIA+ young people.

Image: Esperance Social Fabric workshop.  
Image courtesy Regional Arts WA.

### Strengthening health equity in research

This financial year, we strengthened the Healthy Research Program by requesting applicants to clearly demonstrate how people with the least economic and social resources will benefit from research outcomes. Encouraging the involvement of priority populations in the design and delivery of research helps ensure findings are relevant, impactful and contribute to reducing health inequities across WA.





## Community engagement

Healthway continues to support sector learning and collaboration through events focused on building sustainable, evidence-based health promotion practice. In 2025–26, these included:

### Protecting public health policy from harmful industry influence

In May 2026, we partnered with Cancer Council WA to showcase global and local efforts to combat the influence of harmful industries across tobacco, food, alcohol and gambling. Professor Mark Petticrew (London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine) set the scene with a keynote presentation which examined industry misinformation and corporate influence across sectors. More than 200 people attended either in person or online. The event concluded with a panel discussion and networking opportunity. Local experts on the panel included Dr Louise Francis, gambling policy and regulation researcher at Curtin University; Julia Stafford, Alcohol Programs Manager at Cancer Council WA; Melissa Ledger, Cancer Prevention and Research Director at Cancer Council WA; Narelle Heydon, Make Smoking History Policy and Research Coordinator at Cancer Council WA; and Laura Hunter, Chief Executive of the Australian Council on Smoking and Health.

### What happens after project funding? Planning for sustainability

In October 2025, this hybrid in person and online event was attended by more than 120 individuals from the health, sport, arts, community and research sectors. The event explored practical approaches to sustaining impact beyond initial grant funding, with practical insights shared by leading researchers and practitioners across multiple sectors.

### Arts networking event

In February 2026, Healthway hosted a networking event with the arts sector to facilitate discussion on the role of creativity in supporting positive health outcomes across WA. The event also provided an opportunity to promote the Arts Against Vaping grant initiative, which supports arts organisations to integrate vaping education into their projects and community outreach.

Image above: Protecting public health policy from harmful industry influence event featured Curtin University's Dr Louise Francis; Cancer Council WA's Narelle Heydon and Melissa Ledger; London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine's Professor Mark Petticrew; Cancer Council WA's Ashley Reid; the Australian Council on Smoking and Health's Laura Hunter; Cancer Council WA's Julia Stafford; and Healthway's Carina Tan-Van Baren.

## Investing in Aboriginal health

Healthway is committed to improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal people by prioritising culturally safe, community-led health promotion. This includes partnering with organisations and communities to co-design initiatives, strengthen Aboriginal leadership and self-determination, and invest in research and capacity building to ensure our funded programs reflect community priorities and deliver sustainable outcomes.

During the year, we formalised a partnership with the Mental Health Commission to promote the Strong Spirit Strong Mind program through our funded partners. The program focuses on supporting the mental health and social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal people by empowering them to choose healthy lifestyles and support safer communities. This program aligns with Healthway's priority health areas and commitment to health equity, while supporting Aboriginal-led solutions. Healthway will work closely with the Mental Health Commission to ensure cultural appropriateness and a coordinated approach. Implementation will commence next financial year.

### Building research capacity

This financial year, Healthway invested \$552,000 in building health promotion research capability through our Aboriginal Health Research Scholarship and Health Promotion Fellowship Programs. Dr Lauren Rice received a Health Promotion Research Fellowship, while the next generation of Aboriginal health promotion leaders were supported through the award of two Aboriginal Health Research Scholarships to Ms Shannon McNeair and Ms Sharon Lockyer. These recipients are leading innovative, community-driven research across WA, including co-designing health promotion initiatives in the Fitzroy Valley, strengthening wellbeing outcomes for Aboriginal children and young people in the Kimberley and building research capability through Indigenous research training in the Pilbara.

### Research Fellowship outcome

Dr Emma Haynes completed her Research Fellowship in 2025–26, supporting Aboriginal organisations to strengthen their capability to set priorities, lead research and use evidence in practical ways. This work has strengthened governance, accountability and advocacy and improved the connection between community priorities, services and policy. A key outcome was the development and trial of the Autonomous Informed Decision Making model, grounded in Aboriginal ways of knowing, being and doing. The model supports wellbeing and self-determination by recognising the interconnected influences of individuals, families, communities and services on health decision-making.

## Research and evaluation

Robust assessment, evaluation and measurement processes are in place to ensure we maximise health promotion outcomes in the community. In relation to research funding, requests are reviewed by Healthway's Research Assessment Committee and experts based outside of WA.

### Health Promotion Research Assessment Committee

This 11-member Committee, chaired by Dr Tarun Weeramanthri, supports the Healthy Research Program by providing advice on the scientific rigour of applications and the ability of research proposals to contribute to new evidence and influence policy and practice in WA. During the year, Professor Jane Scott and Professor Ben Jackson concluded their tenure, following 10 years and six years of valued service respectively. Three new members joined in 2025–26:

- Associate Professor Justine Leavy (Curtin University), a leading researcher in health promotion, injury prevention and public health campaigns.
- Associate Professor Raglan Maddox (Australian National University), a specialist in Indigenous health and wellbeing research, tobacco policy and program evaluation.
- Dr Clover Maitland (UWA and Cancer Council Victoria), an expert in chronic disease prevention, physical activity and mental wellbeing.

### Sharing our work

In May 2026, Healthway attended the Public Health Association of Australia's Preventive Health Conference and shared insights into our successful grant-making

approaches. Executive Director Carina Tan-Van Baren joined the prevention agency leaders panel to discuss shared priorities and the commercial determinants of health. Policy and Research Senior Manager Candice Shean explained how embedding knowledge translation into funding design helps turn research into action. Health Promotion Evaluation Lead Desiree Nangle also shared key insights from an analysis of three years of small grant funding. She explored what drives real impact, why one-off activities don't have lasting impact and how smarter funding design can deliver stronger outcomes.

## Healthway and Lotterywest Service Level Arrangement

A Service Level Arrangement (SLA) exists between Healthway and Lotterywest, with Healthway operating as a separate entity with its own Minister and Board. Lotterywest is the employing agency for Healthway and provides additional support services under the SLA.

The annual SLA performance confirmed that the SLA is working well and meeting agreed KPIs. The current SLA is in effect until 30 June 2027.

Image below: Health Promotion Research Assessment Committee Members: Back row: Dr Laura Thomas, Dr Tarun Weeramanthri, Associate Professor Raglan Maddox, Professor Ben Jackson (former member) Front row: Dr Clover Maitland, Dr Roslyn Giglia, Professor Jonine Jancey, Professor Jane Scott (former member), Professor Hayley Christian, Professor David Lawrence. Absent: Associate Professor Jocelyn Jones, Associate Professor Justine Leavy.



# Measuring Our Impact

## Strengthening accountability and impact through evaluation

In 2025–26, Healthway strengthened its commitment to funding initiatives that deliver demonstrable impact, while continuing to hold itself accountable for supporting programs that are evidence-informed and contribute to sustainable outcomes. A key focus has been embedding evaluation as a core part of how programs are designed, delivered and understood so that learning can be used to improve practice and maximise impact over time.

UWA continued to support both Healthway and funded organisations to apply the Healthway Evaluation Framework in consistent and practical ways. This included building internal capability and providing tailored support to funded organisations to strengthen their approach to planning, measuring and reporting on outcomes.

Targeted support provided to sport and art organisations helped translate evaluation from concept into practice. This included developing program logic models aligned to our priority health areas and establishing fit-for-purpose tools and processes for data collection, analysis and reporting. This work supports organisations to generate more meaningful evidence about what is working, for whom and why, while improving the consistency and quality of reporting across Healthway.

Collaboration with The Kids Research Institute Australia further strengthened the Social and Emotional Wellbeing through the Arts program by aligning measurement with Healthway's Evaluation Framework. This reduced unnecessary duplication and reporting burden for arts organisations, while supporting a more coherent and comparable understanding of outcomes across the sector.

The publication of a peer-reviewed, open-access article on our Evaluation Framework by UWA's School of Human Sciences also contributed to the broader evidence base for community-based health promotion. This helped position our approach within national and international practice, and reinforced our commitment to transparency, learning and continuous improvement.

Together, this work strengthens accountability for outcomes, supports funded organisations to build their evaluation capability and improves our ability to demonstrate the impact of Healthway investments for Western Australians.

Image: KIDDO's Physical Literacy Week at Goodstart Tapping. Image courtesy The University of Western Australia.

Image: CircusWA's Circus Youth Diversity and Inclusion Program 2025-2027. Image by Tashi Hall, courtesy CircusWA.



# Significant Issues Impacting the Agency

## State Preventative Health Strategy

In 2025-26, the Cook Government progressed the development of WA's first State Preventative Health Strategy, reinforcing its commitment to improving long-term health and wellbeing outcomes for the community. The landmark strategy is being informed by nine ministerial roundtables hosted by the Minister for Preventative Health, supported by Healthway, WA Health and the Mental Health Commission.

Around 250 senior representatives from community groups, research institutions, government and non-government organisations contributed to discussions, including key health stakeholders, such as the Health Consumers' Council WA, Public Health Association of Australia, the Australian Medical Association, The Kids Research Institute Australia and Cancer Council WA.

The roundtables focused on priority areas including mental health and wellbeing, health promotion, immunisation, cancer screening, sexual health, Aboriginal health, rural and remote health and cross-government action. Insights from the roundtables, a public consultation process and further stakeholder consultation will inform the next stages of strategy development.

Image: Healthway's match day partnership with West Coast Fever.



## Priority health area:

# Promote healthy eating

Create environments that promote and increase access to healthy food and drinks and reduce the provision of unhealthy food and drinks.

Reduce exposure to the marketing and promotion of unhealthy food and drink, particularly to children and young people.

Increase knowledge and self-efficacy to motivate behaviour change and increase healthy eating patterns.

Advocate to create health promoting, environmentally sustainable food systems that ensure quality, affordable food is available and accessible for all.



This financial year, Healthway awarded \$5,457,917 to 98 organisations for 104 projects promoting healthy eating through targeted programs and ongoing delivery of health messaging from campaigns including Fuel to Go & Play®, Crunch&Sip®, Go for 2&5 and LiveLighter®. Highlights include:

- Cancer Council WA launched the *It's not just what's on the menu* report, highlighting the extent of fast food marketing exposure among Western Australian children. The report showed that children encounter this marketing across everyday settings.
- Healthway continued its partnership with West Coast Fever, supporting WA's premier women's netball team to champion healthy lifestyles. Through funding of \$620,000 over two years, the partnership promotes good health and wellbeing through game day engagement activities, including a dedicated Healthway game day featuring former Minister for Preventative Health, the Hon. Sabine Winton MLA, taking part in a quarter-time challenge. The partnership also supports community outreach, including school visits where elite athletes encourage children and young people to eat well, stay active and build lifelong healthy habits.
- Curtin University's Dr Sharonna Mossenson completed her Health Promotion Research Scholarship. Her PhD project assessed the quality and safety of food distributed by Foodbank WA, finding that while most donated food was safe, only a small proportion was healthy. In response, new tools and guidelines, including the Essential for Meals classification system, were developed to help ensure the food provided supports healthy diets. These improvements are helping Foodbank WA deliver more nutritious food to people in need and will inform future initiatives to reduce hunger and improve community health across WA. Her research also contributed to Curtin University's global online food course.



**Organisation:** Royal Life Saving Society WA  
**Program area:** Healthy Partnerships  
**Funding amount:** \$360,000 (over two years)  
**Project title:** Regional and Remote Aboriginal Communities Swimming & Lifesaving Program  
**Region:** Kimberley, Mid West, Pilbara

### Creating healthy habits one lap at a time

Something special has been happening for nearly two decades at Bidyadanga, Australia's largest remote Aboriginal community, 180 kilometres south of Broome. At the community pool, children are confident swimmers, snack on fresh fruit and are supported by families who return day after day. The pool has become a vital community hub – and a powerful setting for lifelong healthy habits.

The change began in 2008 at the Jigalong Swimming Pool, when Royal Life Saving Society WA (RLSSWA) pool managers Scott and Linda Kendall asked teenagers at a loose end to swim ten laps for a piece of fruit. The response was immediate.

"Fruit was expensive and hard to come by. The kids loved it more than lollies – they literally dived in," Scott said.

"We trialled a program of ten laps for a piece of fruit, run over a month, with other prizes at the end.

"The kids swam hundreds of laps and RLSSWA saw the remarkable value and applied for Healthway funding and then rolled it out to five remote communities, including Bidyadanga," he said.

Eighteen years on, Healthway remains a supporter and Scott and Linda are managing the Bidyadanga pool once again. There's something for everyone, with baby and toddler sessions, dedicated lap times, women's fitness sessions, Bronze Medallion training, school carnivals and popular

night swims with music. The pool has also become one of the few places young people can get work experience and always have healthy food and drink options available.

"At the kiosk we don't sell soft drinks or chocolates," Linda said.

"Instead, we offer popcorn, pea snap crisps, cheese toasties and fruit slushies, which sells out.

"We've upgraded what's on offer for Swim for Fruit too, by getting a slushie machine. So, while you still get a band signalling a piece of fruit for every ten laps, you can also get a small fruit slushie for every 30 laps.

"Often the kids will bank up their fruit and keep swimming until they have multiple bands and then cash them in for a slushie and pile of fruit. Many kids regularly swim 30-50 laps a session," she said.

All of this has helped make the pool a place where conversations about health and food happen naturally. Linda said, in yarning with the kids, she'll mention conditions like diabetes and the link to sugar. She knows their relatives often have to live in Broome for dialysis – something which makes an impact when the kids understand the connection.

Linda and Scott are seeing how embedding these habits early is making a difference in the long-term.

**The kids are healthier. The girl who won the overall award this season swam 450 laps over four weeks. You can see they are proud of themselves and, with such a high level of fitness, it's establishing a benchmark that their bodies will always remember.**

- Scott Kendall, Pool Manager, RLSSWA.

Image: RLSSWA's Bidyadanga Community Pool Open Day & launch of the Swim for Fruit season, March 2026.

**Organisation:** Western Flames Ice Racing Club  
**Program area:** Healthy Spaces - Sport  
**Funding amount:** \$2,000 (over two years)  
**Project title:** Healthy Fuel for Skating Program  
**Region:** Perth metropolitan area

### Small club making a big impact on the ice

While WA isn't known for its snow and ice, a dedicated bunch of athletes is not letting that get in the way of their love of iconic winter sports. The Western Flames Ice Racing Club is using its passion and Healthway support to punch well above its weight.

The club is small, tight knit and ambitious. Beginners train alongside world cup competitors and dedicated coaches, including a New Zealand Olympian. Young skaters don't just see success, they see the work behind it.

Club President Farah Tan knows this well. As a busy GP and mum to 14-year-old racer Rachel. She understands the physical demands of the sport.

"Racing on ice is the closest you can get to skiing a black run in WA," Farah said.

**By combining strong role modelling, education and evidence-based choices, we're setting them up for success in sport and in life.**

- Farah Tan, Club President, Western Flames Ice Racing Club.

"It's a lower body sport – where you're fighting centrifugal force to slingshot round the corner leaning 30 degrees to the ice sometimes at 40 to 50 km an hour. And that requires enormous leg strength."

Farah could also see the number of calories they were burning and how critical it is for the kids to eat well, something that they aren't always keen to do with training sessions starting at 6.30am and heavy foods often making them nauseous.

In Melbourne, when they attended National competitions for a whole day of racing, Farah noted the default position was to grab fast food and energy drinks, which didn't meet their needs. So, Farah applied for Healthway funding to support dietician-led sessions to educate both parents and kids about what to eat, when and how much, as well as help the club provide healthy food options for training and race days.

It worked. With no onsite canteen, club volunteers provide easy-to-digest snacks like fruit, yoghurt, pancakes, pikelets and pretzels. It strikes a balance between being relatively light but satisfying, with enough energy to sustain them over extended periods.

Meanwhile, Rachel, who has been selected for the Australian high-performance team, has quickly seen the impact of healthy eating on her performance.

"I've learnt that food nourishes me and allows me to race harder and longer," she said.

"And when I don't eat properly, I know I can't do as well and don't have the energy to push through."

At the end of the day, Farah said the kids learn by example. "They want to get faster and they look up to their champions," she said.

"We had a Zoom call with Australian Olympian Brendan Corey while he was competing at the World Championships in Canada.

"He shared practical healthy eating tips on fuelling the body. And that's the kind of advice they remember," Farah said.

Image: Western Flames Ice Racing Club.



# Priority health area: Promote active living

Advocate for healthy, liveable, sustainable communities that encourage and enable all members of society to be more physically active and reduce sedentary behaviours in their daily lives (active living).

Increase awareness and motivate behaviour change to support active living.

Facilitate initiatives that focus on inclusion and increasing participation in physical activity, particularly in priority groups.

Support the development of fundamental movement skills and physical literacy from the early years, to sustain physical activity participation over the life course.



This financial year, Healthway awarded \$4,619,050 to 87 organisations for 91 projects promoting active living through targeted programs and ongoing delivery of health messages such as LiveLighter® and KIDDO. Highlights include:

- The former Minister for Preventative Health, the Hon. Sabine Winton MLA, supported the launch of Australia's first Physical Literacy Week at Goodstart Early Learning Tapping. The event was delivered by KIDDO (UWA) and engaged more than 37,000 children, with more than 400 early childhood services and primary schools taking part. Activities included celebrations of movement, educator training and pop-up play sessions. KIDDO is funded by an \$834,919 Healthway grant over three years to deliver a whole-school physical literacy program for children in primary schools and early childhood education centres across WA.
- The Kids Research Institute Australia celebrated 10 years of the PLAY Spaces and Environments for Children's Physical Activity (PLAYCE) Study, a landmark project that has transformed our understanding of children's movement behaviours from early childhood through to adolescence. Supported by Healthway since its inception, PLAYCE has grown into the world's largest and longest running study of young children's physical activity, sedentary behaviour and sleep using wearable devices.
- The Perth Heat received \$55,000 to promote active, healthy lifestyles across WA. Initiatives included providing healthy food and drink options at games, role-modelling health behaviours through players, delivering education through the Perth Heat Baseball club clinics and Perth Heat Way app on the link between nutrition, performance and wellbeing and creating safer, family friendly environments. As part of the 2025–26 Australian Baseball League season, the Perth Heat took to the field as the Healthway Perth Heat, reinforcing the partnership's focus on community wellbeing. Local member Mr Ron Sao MLA marked this occasion by throwing the first pitch at the Healthway game day in November 2025.

**Organisation:** Fair Game Australia

**Program area:** Healthy Partnerships

**Funding amount:** \$529,614 (over three years)

**Project title:** Healthy & Resilient in the Outback – Midwest, Gascoyne & Goldfields

**Region:** Mid West

## Helping remote kids build lifelong healthy habits

In the tiny town of Cue, 470 km east of Geraldton, the school runs a program called Happy and Strong. It teaches students the life skills they need to make safe and confident choices, including healthy living. With a small population, few dedicated facilities for kids and ongoing challenges attracting staff to this remote location, keeping that message alive can be difficult.

This is one reason school principal Susan Trigwell appreciates the energy, sensitivity and fresh approach that Fair Game brings when visiting Cue and other remote communities to run fun health, education and fitness programs.

"Fair Game don't come in assuming they know everything," she said. "They prepare thoroughly before each visit and their training is very culturally inclusive. They listen carefully, take guidance from Aboriginal officers and they're totally natural in interacting with the kids, who really respond to them."

Fair Game arrives with donated sports equipment and delivers up to six different healthy living themes, based on community priorities. These include Healthy Bellies, Healthy Smiles, Healthy Lungs, Healthy Hands, Healthy Feet and Healthy Ears. The content is presented in digestible bites that are fun, easy to remember and can be adapted to different age groups.

Katharine Mulligan, Fair Game Recreation Coordinator, spends one week every month travelling through the Mid-West, Gascoyne or Kimberley with a team of volunteers and staff.

One of the most popular activities in Cue is a cook-up. Children help prepare healthy, affordable meals that cover all the food groups.

"It's a great icebreaker where we'll start at the youth centre prepping the ingredients for a super healthy spaghetti bolognese or patties with zucchini, carrot, onion, mince and breadcrumbs," Katharine said.

"The kids really get into it. Then we'll head outside for the Healthy Bellies nutrition games."

These games use a large scale Healthway food group canvas laid on the ground, with food cards for individual veggies, proteins and fruits, placed at a distance. Children race to collect the food card called out by a team member and place it in the correct food group. The activity is energetic and highly competitive.

Healthway funding has expanded the program into the Gascoyne and Goldfields and supported a mindful movement program that helps children self-regulate. It can help calm and centre behaviour during high-energy moments or lift energy when children are tired or disengaged.

Another Healthway-supported initiative is the Wellness Walkabout, the first Indigenous language-based yoga program. It includes a Wadjuri poster board and an A3 book with stories linked to each pose.

For Katharine, the most rewarding part of the work is seeing lasting change.

**We visit every six months and see the kids maintaining the habits we've introduced. This includes washing hands before meals, brushing their teeth and remembering the recipes. The healthy behaviours are being retained and practiced, which is a strong motivation to keep going.**

*- Katharine Mulligan, Fair Game Recreation Coordinator.*

Image: Fair Game Australia delivered fun health and wellbeing initiatives for children in Cue.





**Organisation:** Shire of East Pilbara  
**Program area:** Healthy Partnerships  
**Funding amount:** \$39,000 (for one year)  
**Project title:** Community Active Living Program  
**Region:** Pilbara

### Supporting healthier lives in the Pilbara

When temperatures regularly reach a stifling 45 – 47 degrees and the nearest beach is hundreds of kilometres away, staying active can feel out of reach. For Lisa Massang and her family in Newman, this often meant little more than a quick walk after sunset, until they came across the Shire of East Pilbara's new Community Active Living Program.

Recognising the challenges residents face, the Shire received Healthway funding to break down barriers to physical activity and promote healthier lifestyles in Newman, Nullagine and Marble Bar, even in the hottest conditions.

Its free Active Living Starter Pack offers a term of group fitness and gym sessions, casual sports and pool access, encouraging participants to be active at least four times per week. For Lisa and her 17-year-old daughter Ezri, the program has been a game-changer.

"It's been a real opportunity to step outside our comfort zone, trying Pilates and high-intensity workouts that we'd never contemplated. We loved it straight away and went back for more," Lisa said.

"These days, we do around seven classes a week, including a MetaPower class with skipping, dumbbells and weights, which has definitely pushed us.

"In between classes we go to the gym and check in with the coach, who modifies our program according to how we're tracking."

Image: Newman resident Ezri.

Lisa and family are among many success stories, with attendance at group fitness classes rising from 10 to 30 people per session, alongside increased use of the pool and gym.

Shire President Councillor Anthony Middleton said the program showed how practical, local initiatives can make a real difference in remote communities.

"This program gives people a simple way to try something new, build confidence and get moving in a supportive environment," he said.

"It is great to see local families making the most of it and encouraging each other along the way."

For Lisa, with a full-on job at the senior high school and with Ezri approaching final year exams, the program has also been a great stress reliever.

"When I'm there, I don't think about work, I just focus on what I'm doing. After years of sleep issues, I'm sleeping so much better and feel much more upbeat," she said.

"And the lovely thing is that my daughter and I push and encourage each other and can't wait for the next class."

Having experienced the benefits, Lisa is a big advocate.

"I'm stoked that the Shire is so supportive and that the staff at the gym are so encouraging," she said.

**They are leading by example, which is so important in a small community where we need to support each other, especially women.**

- Lisa Massang, Newman resident.

"I would say to anyone thinking about joining – give it a crack. Even starting with one class can make a difference if you stick with it. We've now committed to membership and plan to keep it up."

Priority health area:

# Promote mental wellbeing

Create environments that encourage protective factors for high mental wellbeing and reduce the risk factors for low mental wellbeing.

Increase knowledge, awareness, and positive attitudes on the importance of mental wellbeing.

Enable all members of society to feel confident to protect and improve their own and others' mental wellbeing.

Support initiatives that increase opportunities that provide mental health benefits through social inclusion and participation.



This financial year, Healthway awarded \$6,723,499 to 105 organisations for 120 projects promoting mental wellbeing through targeted programs and ongoing delivery of health messaging from campaigns including Think Mental Health, Act Belong Commit and Social and Emotional Wellbeing through the Arts (SEW-Arts). Highlights include:

- UWA received \$99,970 to design and pilot a digital chatbot for families with children aged zero to five years old. The research will test how digital tools can support families to engage with services that promote social and emotional wellbeing and improve equity and access.
- The South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute received \$150,000 to evaluate the health, wellbeing and digital behaviour impacts of Australia's Social Media Minimum Age policy, nationally and in WA. This is a national collaborative research partnership that includes Preventive Health SA and VicHealth as funding partners. The research will provide evidence-based recommendations to strengthen policy and prevention efforts, supported by state-specific policy briefs, youth friendly resources and media ready outputs to inform decision-makers, schools and families.
- FORM received \$165,000 to continue its Creative Schools program for a further two years, supporting students' social and emotional wellbeing through creativity, connection and play. On 31 March 2026, Minister Winton attended a Professional Learning Day focused on equipping teachers, school coordinators and creative practitioners to deliver the program throughout the year.



**Organisation:** Community Arts Network WA  
**Program area:** Healthy Partnerships  
**Funding amount:** \$156,000 (for one year)  
**Project title:** Now Sounds Katanning 2025–26  
**Region:** Great Southern

### Strengthening young people's wellbeing through sound and story

Deep in the South West of WA is one of the most culturally diverse regional centres in the state, with more than 50 different language groups. It is also a gathering place for young people in the Great Southern who travel in for school or other activities.

Building on strong regional connections from a previous program, Community Arts Network (CAN) identified Katanning as an ideal location to expand its successful intercultural, multi-disciplinary youth program, which builds confidence and fosters community and cultural connections.

CAN's Now Sounds Katanning works with young people aged 12 to 25 years old with a focus on bringing Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and culturally and linguistically diverse communities together to share and celebrate culture. Some of those participating will be in school, others not, but for most, access to local music, the arts and the opportunities they create has been extremely limited. Now Sounds is designed to flip that, using creativity to help young people find their voice, develop life skills and shape healthier pathways.

Program producer Laura Mangen designs and coordinates the creative residencies, where every six weeks, artists with different specialities deliver hands-on workshops.

"It's deliberately not one size fits all," Laura said. "Each individual will have a different experience, participating in ways they feel comfortable."

Image: Community Arts Network's Now Sounds, Katanning in action.

"It could be through rap where they'll be encouraged to have a crack at making lyrics and beats, but where it's not mandatory to get up on stage.

"After finding out what the young people are interested in, we also offer workshops in photography, videography, painting and illustrations. And common to each and every area is supporting them to write their own stories."

Even though the program is in its early stages, Laura has already noticed the positive changes.

"One of the things I love is seeing them leave whatever is going on in their lives at the door and become completely immersed in what they are doing, experiencing joy and self-expression, what we call 'flow', sometimes for the very first time," she said.

At the end of the year there will be a collective song and video, and the goal is to tie in all the different types of art and contributions. In the long-term, CAN hopes that the project will support young people to develop life skills that strengthen their health and wellbeing and sense of belonging in the community.

**At the core of it is young people feeling seen and having their voice heard, which is profoundly healing... And when they feel like they matter, I then see them finding the confidence to step up in their community, support others and stand up for the rights of young people.**

- Laura Mangen, Program Producer, Community Arts Network.

Now Sounds Katanning community partners include Badgebup Aboriginal Corporation, Katanning Senior High School, Kojonup District High School and the Shire of Katanning.

**Organisation:** The Y and Curtin University  
**Fellow:** Dr Jonathan Sae-Koew  
**Program area:** Health Promotion Research Fellowship  
**Funding amount:** \$396,711 (over three years)  
**Project title:** A systematic review of positive youth development and mental health interventions in disadvantaged settings  
**Region:** Perth metropolitan area

### Understanding what helps young people thrive

When a young person walks into the Y's Base @ Belmont, they step into a bright, open space filled with natural light and colourful art. They can access healthy food and relax in a safe, welcoming environment with ping pong and pool tables, a gaming room, theatre room, informal breakout areas and an outdoor half-court for basketball.

The space is carefully designed to signal safety and belonging. Young people can connect with peers and qualified youth workers, take part in the workshops or access case management when they are ready.

**Being a young person is a tough period of transition, particularly when there is neurodiversity or history of trauma or unstable family environments. Doing this in-depth solid research is massively beneficial, helping us create the best possible support early in a young person's life so their future can be bright.**

- Jason Addis, Youth Services Manager, the Y.

Image :Dr Jonathan Sae-Koew held workshops with young people at The Y, Belmont.

With a strong track record in supporting 12- to 25-year-olds to build confidence and flourish, the Y was a natural fit for Curtin University researcher Dr Jonathan (Jon) Sae-Koew, who is investigating how local place-based relational spaces affect young people's wellbeing and mental health.

Supported by Healthway's Early Career Fellowship, Jon is leading a three-phase research project over three years. The project evaluates existing supports at the Base, examines how they meet community needs and uses co-design with young people and stakeholders to improve outcomes even more.

For the Y's Youth Services Manager Jason Addis, the research will take them to the next level and has far reaching implications.

"As a not-for-profit, our focus is on delivering services. We collect data and evaluate internally, but we don't have real research expertise," he said.

"Jon's work will help us continue to refine and develop our specific service model in Belmont.

"Academic-based backing, which is limited in Australia, allows us to confidently advocate to government and funders that we have a best practice approach that should be replicated sector wide."

In phase one, Jon reviewed data and research and interviewed staff and stakeholders to assess whether services align with local needs. He also identified the Y's strength of partnerships with school-based youth workers, who engage with at risk students and connect them to the Base for more intensive support.

Phase two focuses on workshops that capture the voices of young people, including what issues and potential solutions are important to them in relation to their mental health and wellbeing. Jon is also working with staff at the Y to collect these opinions, building capability for ongoing co-design.

Phase three, scheduled for next financial year, will bring these insights together and deliver recommendations on program design and evaluation.

For Jason, there's no doubt as to what positive impact Jon's work will have.



# Priority health area: Prevent & reduce use of alcohol

Create alcohol-free environments particularly where children and young people may be present.

Reduce exposure to the marketing and promotion of alcohol, particularly to children and young people.

Raise awareness of the harms associated with alcohol use.

Advocate to reduce supply, availability, and accessibility of alcohol.

Motivate behaviour change and promote awareness of ways to reduce harmful levels of alcohol use.

This financial year, Healthway awarded \$1,140,292 to 14 organisations for 14 projects to prevent and reduce the use of alcohol through targeted programs and ongoing delivery of health messaging from campaigns including Alcohol. Think Again. Highlights include:

- Western Australian Rugby Union received \$330,000 over two years to deliver the Rugby for Life program, which aims to create healthier rugby clubs and strengthen wellbeing across the rugby union community. Former Minister for Preventative Health, the Hon. Sabine Winton MLA, supported the launch of the program at Rugby WA 7s tournament in January 2026.
- Curtin University received \$99,489 to strengthen harm prevention efforts for 'party going' young people in regional WA by generating locally relevant evidence on alcohol and other drug use, mental health and sexual health. The project will inform more targeted regional youth services, support co-designed prevention strategies with young people, and embed evidence-based approaches through partnerships to reduce risk taking and improve health outcomes.
- Curtin University completed a research project to strengthen the evidence base for reducing children's and young people's exposure to harmful alcohol marketing in aquatic and coastal environments. By mapping alcohol advertising across Perth's coastal locations and social media, the research informed advocacy, planning and policy action, contributed to state and national water safety strategies and supported local government efforts to restrict harmful marketing. Findings have helped shape a coordinated national agenda to reduce alcohol-related drowning and aquatic risk taking.

**Organisation:** Western Australian Rugby Union

**Program area:** Healthy Partnerships

**Funding amount:** \$135,000 (over 10 months)

**Project title:** Rugby Resilience: Healthy minds, bodies and clubs

**Region:** Perth Metropolitan, Goldfields Esperance, Great Southern, Peel, South West

## More than the game – the rise of the Ellenbrook Vipers

When the Ellenbrook Vipers Rugby Club step onto the field, they make a statement about themselves without saying a word. Their jerseys feature the sacred Waugal (snake), designed by Yamatji Noongar artist Godfrena Gilla. The design reflects their values: respect, resilience and results and the belief that they represent something more than the game.

The club has come a long way. It started with a handful of players, borrowed equipment and no facilities. Today, it runs programs for children aged 2 to 13, fields eight teams and operates a thriving, healthy kiosk. More importantly, the Vipers have fostered a culture where players see mental health as equally important as physical strength. That focus led them to being named 'Champions of Rugby' in 2025, an initiative funded by Healthway and delivered by RugbyWA. The club received \$5,000 to reinvest into health and wellbeing initiatives.

When President Janine Briggs enrolled her son at the club, she was looking for a culture that wasn't just about winning.

"We were welcomed straight away. We found like-minded people who wanted the kids to grow on and off the field, where every individual mattered and they weren't just a number," Janine said.

As the club grew, so did its support network. Volunteers looked at ways they could better support young people both on and off the field, creating roles to help strengthen that focus.

As players entered their teenage years, the club recognised new challenges. Working alongside RugbyWA, the club participated in Mental Health Leadership workshops for senior team members and players. These sessions helped start conversations about resilience, wellbeing, accountability and supporting one another. The following season, the club's under-16 team built on this through a player-led "Call to Arms" initiative, focusing on these values on and off the field.

The club has made a deliberate decision not to have a bar or serve alcohol to create the healthiest possible environment and that will continue as it prepares to launch a senior social team. The club also changed how it supports players' physical health. Its kiosk now serves affordable, home-cooked meals, a healthier alternative to the fast food nearby. Families can eat together or take meals home after training.

Coach Zarna Munro, 19, has been with the club since she was seven years old. She is passionate about both the game and the Vipers.

"I tried a bunch of different sports, but I fell in love with rugby," Zarna said.

"The Ellenbrook Vipers felt more like a family, where the club cares more about the players than winning."

Zarna now works for RugbyWA and coaches the Vipers under-13s girls' team.

**My biggest focus is getting to know the girls and making sure they're comfortable and supported. They know they can talk to me about anything. It's a great environment. We'll develop strong rugby players, but they'll gain so much more. I'm so proud to help nurture the next generation.**

- Zarna Munro, Ellenbrook Vipers Rugby Club Coach.

Image: Ellenbrook Vipers Rugby players in action. Image courtesy Ellenbrook Vipers Rugby Club.





**Organisation:** Ironstone Adventure Riding Club  
**Program area:** Healthy Partnerships  
**Funding amount:** \$15,000  
**Project title:** IARC Annual Activities Program  
**Region:** South West

**A club built on adventure, respect and connection**

Joining Ironstone Adventure Riding Club members on a Capel forest ride means following trails through dense timber country, surrounded by towering Marri, Jarrah and Sheoak trees. Along the way, remnants of historic logging railways and old logging tracks trace the landscape, while wildlife offers the only other company beyond fellow riders.

For Jeremy Connor, it is both an adventure and a deep well of peace, with a profound effect on his health and wellbeing, a view shared by other members. Jeremy is a founding member and treasurer of the Ironstone Adventure Riding Club, whose members regularly set off on off-road bikes into publicly accessible areas of the state forest.

“When you’re riding you don’t think about your daily troubles,” Jeremy said. “You’re completely focused on what’s in front of you and watching to stay safe and avoid any obstacles or slippery surfaces, using clutch control, balance and the bike’s momentum. It’s not about going fast, but about enjoying the experience and surroundings. At the end of it all, you’re just so chilled and mellow.”

Image: Ironstone Adventure Riding Club.

Over the past year, the club’s longstanding relationship with Healthway has evolved from event sponsor to partnership. With Healthway’s support, the club actively promotes healthy living, including a strong focus on men’s mental health and wellbeing, an alcohol-free, smoke- and vape-free venue and events. When members return from their ride the club provides nutritious barbecue options, including salads, fresh fruit and drinking water.

Beyond organised events, many members also arrange their own rides, using club facilities to prepare, connect and, at times, stay onsite in an alcohol-free environment. Occasional supervised riding for children is offered on the property, supporting family participation and skill development in a safe and inclusive environment. Once in the bush, riders take responsibility for planning and safety, reflecting a strong culture of respect, accountability and shared care.

**Members readily embrace this responsibility, contributing to a supportive club environment that builds confidence, encourages healthy lifestyles and strengthens social connection.**

- Jeremy Connor, Treasurer, Ironstone Adventure Riding Club.

“We’ve built a culture of respect where there are clear, simple specific requirements of members rather than rules, so the atmosphere remains informal and welcoming,” he said.

“That has paid off in spades, with trouble free behaviour and a strong network of support and friendships, some even resulting in marriages. At the end of the day, that’s what people come for. Having these adventures in such a peaceful place restores the soul.”

Priority health area:  
**Prevent & reduce use of tobacco, e-cigarettes & other novel tobacco products**

Create environments that are smoke and vape free.

Reduce exposure to the marketing and promotion of e-cigarettes, particularly to children and young people.

Motivate behaviour change and raise awareness of the harms of tobacco and e-cigarette use.

Advocate to reduce supply, availability and accessibility of tobacco, e-cigarettes, and other novel tobacco products.



- This financial year, Healthway awarded \$2,820,044 to 16 organisations for 20 projects to prevent and reduce the use of tobacco, e-cigarettes and other novel tobacco products through targeted programs and ongoing delivery of health messaging from campaigns including Make Smoking History and Clear the Air®. Highlights include:
- The Australian Council on Smoking and Health received \$180,000 to increase its capacity to deliver advocacy and communications strategies during a critical period for reform of tobacco legislation and regulation at both state and federal levels.
  - The Cook Government’s priority amendments to the Tobacco Products Control Act 2006 passed through the Western Australian Parliament. This means WA has some of the strongest penalties in Australia for businesses caught selling illicit tobacco and vapes. Store closure orders have also been introduced, ensuring businesses supplying illegal products will be shut down while investigations take place.
  - Cancer Council WA received \$1.34 million over two years to deliver Wave 3 of the Clear the Air® campaign to educate young people on the health impacts of e-cigarette use and stem the uptake of young people vaping. Clear the Air® also won the Kidsafe WA Award at the 2026 Consumer Protection Awards.



**Organisation:** Collie Racing Drivers' Association Incorporated  
**Program area:** Healthy Partnerships  
**Funding amount:** \$30,000  
**Project title:** Make Smoking History Collie Speedway  
**Region:** South West

### Fast cars, strong minds and the healthy heart of Collie Speedway

When you're driving a race car, rounding corners at 120 km/hour on a clay-gravel track, strapped down and under pressure from G-forces over 40 to 50 minutes, being mentally and physically healthy is critical. No one knows this better than Collie Speedway champion Nuno Mendes who has been racing for 28 years and is number four in the Production Sedan division.

Like many fellow members, Nuno and Cloee, his team manager and wife, met at Collie Speedway and now spend most of their free time there, either competing or volunteering. Both are equally passionate about the sport and organisation, which they say serves as a strong community hub while actively supporting healthier lifestyles and positive wellbeing, with the long-term support of Healthway.

Approaching its 56th anniversary, Make Smoking History Collie Speedway is the longest-running night speedway venue in the state, attracting competitors from across WA.

Healthway has played a key role in using Collie Speedway as a setting to strengthen health and wellbeing outcomes.

Image: Make Smoking History Collie Speedway champion Nuno Mendes with his wife Cloee Higgs.

Starting with the Quit campaign and continuing through Make Smoking History, Nuno and Cloee have seen a significant reduction in smoking and, more recently, vaping. Nuno said younger members not only see and hear the consistent health messaging but remain strongly focused on the sport.

Another important change made possible through Healthway has been improvements to the canteen. Traditional speedway food is often low in nutrients and high in kilojoules, saturated fat, added sugar and added salt. However, Collie Speedway has shifted to food that better supports performance, recovery and hydration. Led by a chef-trained manager, healthy specials are prepared on race day, offering a mix of lighter options and more substantial meals. Judging by the flood of positive feedback and ever-lengthening canteen queues, the healthier options are eagerly awaited and devoured.

Cloee and Nuno are adamant that this is the right way to tackle embedding lifelong healthy habits.

"The next generation, those aged 10 to 17, is the audience you need to be targeting," Nuno said.

**The younger kids look up to older drivers who are modelling and encouraging healthier behaviours, like choosing not to smoke or vape – this positive influence is working.**

- Nuno Mendes.

Collie Speedway prides itself on being a grassroots local speedway, like football and cricket in regional areas, a place where anyone can have a go. With families spanning three generations - from babies in prams wearing earmuffs to seasoned competitors - Healthway's partnership with Collie Speedway is shaping healthier behaviours, reinforcing positive role modelling and supporting healthy habits in its community and emerging competitors.

**Organisation:** Literature Centre  
**Program area:** Healthy Partnerships  
**Funding amount:** \$133,060 (over 18 months)  
**Project title:** Arts Against Vaping: Influence Lab 2025-26  
**Region:** Perth metropolitan area

### Empowering young people to challenge vaping culture

Learning what's in a vape and how tobacco companies have insidiously marketed them to young people can "blow your mind," according to Elizabeth Spencer, CEO of the Literature Centre in WA. However, she notes that while many young people understand the risks, the message is not getting through.

"Many young people are aware of the dangers and health impacts but simply hitting them with the facts is not enough," Elizabeth said. "A more subtle approach is needed to get them thinking about their motivations and why they're still doing this."

This insight led to the Literature Centre's groundbreaking pilot project, The Influence Lab: Arts Against Vaping Pilot.

**I love the open-ended nature of the pilot and I love working with teenagers. I can't wait for their complex views. But I think the most exciting thing they'll realise is that this is important, not for a grade, but because it will be part of the real world and it will have a real impact.**

- Aśka, Artist.

The project addresses this gap by giving young people the tools to analyse vaping culture and misinformation and to find their own voices to create and share authentic stories with their peers.

Supported by Healthway, the program has been developed over 18 months in partnership with Cancer Council WA and four schools: Roleystone Community College, Governor Stirling Senior High School, Lakelands Senior High School and Ballajura Community College.

The pilot will engage about 300 students in Years 7 to 10 through creative residencies, artist led workshops and student led exhibitions, culminating in a public exhibition at the Perth Cultural Centre.

Artist Aśka, a visual storyteller, comics maker, science communicator and a passionate advocate of visual literacy, is part of the program.

"One reason I'm drawn to images and comics is their ability to open a different door to the brain, but that can also be extremely manipulative," she said.

"Visual literacy is about looking at who made it, why they made it and what effect it has on me, rather than accepting it at face value."

Building on earlier workshops, students identify the messages they want to share, Aśka then helps them find a 'hook', using humour, mystery or a narrative to communicate their ideas. Students choose the format that best suits their message, such as a poster, comic, flyer, a three-dimensional piece or even a sticker.

"It's important to test ideas. We run short exercises to explore how their message will be placed in the world and how it will fit into their peers' life," Aśka said.

"Students learn that development is a process. They receive individual feedback on the direction they've decided on and refine their ideas, which takes courage."

For Aśka, the impact goes beyond the classroom.

Image: Artist Aśka working with students from Governor Stirling Senior High School.



# Our Commitment to ESG Outcomes

Healthway is dedicated to improving the health of all Western Australians and seeks to elevate its impact by supporting Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) outcomes.

## Environment

### Sustainability Action Plan

The Healthway and Lotterywest Sustainability Action Plan promotes a sustainable, environmentally responsible future by driving improvements across organisational culture, procurement, environmental practices and waste management.

This includes:

- Embedding sustainability considerations within procurement processes through the inclusion of environmental criteria in tender documentation.
- Prioritising the sourcing of ethical products to align purchasing decisions with our broader environmental and social responsibility objectives.
- Optimising fleet operations by reducing the number of vehicles and incorporating electric vehicles (EVs).
- Using environmentally friendly cleaning products with low or no harmful chemicals.
- Reducing environmental impact and promoting a culture of sustainability through accessible recycling for a broad range of materials.

### Sustainability Action Plan

Objective: To meaningfully encourage and contribute to a sustainable, thriving environment.



Value-aligned behaviours, including ethical considerations in event planning, are supported by Healthway and Lotterywest's Sustainable Events Guideline and Sustainable Merchandise Guideline.

Following a successful trial in early 2025, staff members from Healthway and Lotterywest's Community Market Committee committed to continuing the Containers for Change program at head office. This initiative complements broader sustainability efforts to reduce landfill and support a more sustainable workplace, with proceeds directed to the Community Market charity of choice.



## Social

### Our funded organisations

Healthway works with organisations that share our vision of creating a healthier Western Australia together. Through our guiding policies and funding approach, we support funded organisations to deliver inclusive, safe and health-promoting programs that strengthen communities and improve wellbeing. We prioritise initiatives that encourage participation, reduce barriers and promote positive health behaviours, helping to create environments where all Western Australians can thrive.

### Diversity, equity & inclusion

Our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Framework embodies Healthway and Lotterywest's commitment to advancing equity, cultural respect and inclusive practice across our workforce, in our partnerships and throughout the communities we support. We recognise diversity not only as a core strength, but as a strategic priority that enriches our culture, sparks innovation and strengthens our community impact.

Image above: Participants from the Akolkol Dastan Gesa program. This program is produced by Same Drum in partnership with Aranmore Catholic College and Healthway, and is supported by WA Government and Creative Australia through the Australian Cultural Fund. Image courtesy Same Drum.

Image right: RLSSWA's Bidyadanga Community Pool Open Day & launch of the Swim for Fruit season, March 2026.

Over the past year, we proudly continued to celebrate and support WA's LGBTQIA+ community through our dedicated PrideFEST 2025 program, with a staff event each week during November.

The International Women's Day 2026 theme, Balancing the Scales, was celebrated with a presentation from guest speaker Dress for Success CEO Natalie Sangalli. She shared powerful insights about the barriers many women face in re-entering the workforce and the effects on career confidence following career breaks, financial pressure, illness and social disadvantage. Her message reinforced the role we all play in advancing equity, opportunity and inclusion in our workplaces.





Image top: 'Healthy Ways from Office to Community' - artwork by Jasmine John. Image left: Kambarang Services Rose Walley with Healthway CEO Colin Smith.

## Our reconciliation journey

### Embedding culture in our identity

This year, we introduced a new aspect to our brand identity, inspired by artwork gifted by former staff member and proud Nyikina woman, Jasmine John. The artwork embeds Aboriginal culture and storytelling into our agency's identity, reflecting the breadth and impact of Healthway's work across WA. It tells the story of the opportunities and support Healthway brings to communities, encouraging healthy eating, active lifestyles and strong social connections. It also highlights our role in improving quality of life, particularly in regional and rural areas. The artwork has been integrated across the agency, including banners, lanyards, shirts, tone of voice cards, media wall and pillar wraps, embedding cultural recognition throughout our working environment.

### Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)

Over the past year, we have taken time to consider and celebrate our reconciliation progress under our Reflect RAP and commenced work on our Innovate RAP.

Kambarang Services has trained more than 60% of our staff in cultural awareness and commissioned local Aboriginal artist Biara Martin to produce eight artworks for head office.

Highlights from this year included participation in a RAP Speaker Series, connecting staff with Aboriginal-led projects from around the state and hosting a series of Acknowledgement of Country workshops. Significant progress has also been made in developing our Cultural Learning Strategy Framework. These initiatives have deepened cultural understanding and connection across the organisation.

We remain encouraged by the strong interest from both new and continuing staff in joining our Innovate RAP Working Group and our partnership with Kambarang Services remains central to the delivery of our RAP. Through this collaboration, we have embedded guiding principles that inform how we engage with Aboriginal communities—ensuring our approach remains respectful, culturally informed and grounded in genuine partnership.

### Disability access and inclusion

As we reach the end of our current Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP), we remain committed to creating environments that reflect and support the diverse needs of our communities. Under the *Disability Services Act 1993*, Healthway and Lotterywest are required to review and renew the DAIP at least every five years.

This review provides a critical opportunity to go beyond compliance and embed access and inclusion priorities directly within Healthway and Lotterywest's operations. It ensures these priorities are reflected in our core objectives, governance and decision-making, with practical, prioritised actions that can be appropriately resourced over the next five years.

We have completed analysis of our DAIP achievements and broader environmental scanning. In the second half of 2026, we will focus on identifying the actions needed to address State and National Disability Strategy requirements.

### Multicultural Action Plan

Healthway and Lotterywest's current Multicultural Action Plan expires at end of 2026. We will refresh this plan using our self-assessment results to identify priority areas and align actions with the DAIP review.

Image: Rebound WA's Whiz Kidz sport program for children aged 5 to 12 living with physical disabilities. Image courtesy Rebound WA.



# Governance

## Integrity

As stewards of significant public funds and a substantial grants program, we recognise the responsibility entrusted to Healthway by the community. We are committed to upholding the highest standards of integrity while ensuring our operations are efficient and well managed. Integrity underpins our grant-making and operations and guides our work through transparency, fairness and accountability.

Strong governance and integrity underpin efforts to reduce the risk of misconduct, fraud and corruption, while also supporting agency performance, productivity and staff engagement.

An Integrity Steering Committee, a subcommittee of the Executive, oversees the development and implementation of strategies, policies and processes designed to promote ethical behaviour, support fair and unbiased decision making and strengthen community trust.

The Committee plays a key role in embedding and reporting integrity across Healthway and Lotterywest.

The Integrity Framework is supported by the Code of Conduct and organisational values, which guide behaviour and decision making. In addition, a governance, risk and compliance portal supports the active management of risk, audit and accountability processes.

Image: WA Junior Surfing Titles 2025. Photo by Salt Diaries, courtesy Surfing WA.

## Cyber, data and information security

Healthway and Lotterywest operate in an increasingly complex digital environment, facing both new privacy obligations under the Privacy and Responsible Information Sharing Act 2024 (WA) (PRIS) and the rapid emergence of artificial intelligence (AI). Protecting data and maintaining public trust remain key priorities as digital risk increases and becomes more complex.

During the year, we focused on several initiatives including:

- **Cyber security:** Security controls were strengthened in line with WA Government requirements, with improvements to identity management and system monitoring. Security awareness and education initiatives were expanded to support staff in identifying and responding to emerging threats. Compliance with leading industry standards and the WA Government Cyber Security Policy was maintained through a program of continuous improvement.
- **Privacy & information sharing:** The PRIS Working Group progressed the PRIS Readiness Plan. This included reviewing existing policies and processes and developing new ones, clarifying roles and responsibilities and embedding privacy considerations into projects and data-sharing through the introduction of privacy impact assessments. Preparations have commenced for information breach requirements due in January 2027.
- **AI:** Governance and guidance were established to support the safe use of AI, including risk assessment processes, approval requirements and controls to manage data exposure, bias and transparency risks.

Oversight was strengthened through clear accountability and the appointment of a Privacy Officer and AI Accountable Officer. Risks continue to be monitored through internal committees and risk management processes, supported by regular reporting. This approach ensures consistent decision-making and alignment with whole-of-government policies and emerging regulatory requirements.



Image: Swan City Youth Service's Music Program. Image courtesy Swan City Youth Service.

# 2025-26 Key Performance Indicators and Key Effectiveness Indicators

## Key performance indicators 2025-26

### Introduction

The Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) report on the performance of Healthway in achieving the desired outcomes aligned to the *Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation Act 2016*. Healthway's reportable KPIs comprise two effectiveness indicators and one efficiency indicator.

### Government goal

Sustainable Finances: Responsible financial management and better service delivery.

### Key outcome

To fund activities that promote good health and encourage healthy lifestyles in the WA community.

### Service

To promote and facilitate good health and activities which encourage healthy lifestyles in WA.

## Key effectiveness indicators

### Contractual Evaluation Measure

#### KPI 1: Extent to which funded organisations have met the requirements and objectives agreed to with Healthway

The contractual evaluation measure is reported via two separate scales that measure the aggregated level at which funded organisations met contractual obligations and provided value for money.

The contractual obligation score measures the extent to which funded organisations have delivered on agreed contractual obligations for individual projects, using a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 representing projects falling well short of expected contractual requirements, 3 representing those projects which met all contractual requirements and higher scores for those delivering beyond expectations. These scores are then consolidated into an overall score by program funding area, as shown in Table 1.

Table 2 reports the results for the value for money score of projects acquitted in 2025-26. This score also uses a scale from 1 to 5 (with 1 representing low value for money and 5 exceptional value) based on five pre-determined strategic dimensions, including the reach of funded projects into agreed target priority groups and evidence of a focus on engaging people in healthy behaviours. These scores are then consolidated for an overall score by program funding area.

Health promotion research grant evaluations, which require assessment of the quality, quantity and community significance of research outputs, are excluded from the Key Performance Indicators. Achieving full outcomes in health promotion research takes an extended period, with projects often spanning five years or more from initiation to translation of results. Assessing community significance involves determining the extent to which Healthway-funded research has informed or led to the adoption of new health promotion policies and programs, or modifications to existing practice. The health promotion research program is independently evaluated and reported every five years.

Table 1 – Contractual Obligation Score

|                              | 2025-26<br>Actual | 2025-26<br>Target | 2024-25<br>Actual | 2023-24<br>Actual | 2022-23<br>Actual |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Healthy Communities Projects | 2.9               | 3.0               | 3.2               | 3.5               | 3.0               |
| Arts Projects                | 3.3               | 3.0               | 3.0               | 3.0               | 3.0               |
| Sport and Racing Projects    | 3.0               | 3.0               | 2.9               | 3.0               | 3.0               |

Arts projects exceeded the target of 3.0 with an aggregate Contractual Obligation Score of 3.3. This reflects the shift towards more intensive work with arts organisations in delivering activities that offer stronger health promotion outcomes, including through delivery of the Social and Emotional Wellbeing through the Arts initiative. Sport and

Racing projects met the Contractual Obligation Score target while Healthy Communities fell slightly short of the target with an aggregate Contractual Obligation Score of 2.9, largely due to more stringent evaluation. Overall, the results indicate the majority of funded organisations are meeting their contractual obligations with Healthway.

Table 2 – Value for Money Score

| Meeting Contractual Requirements | 2025-26<br>Actual | 2024-25<br>Target | 2024-25<br>Actual | 2023-24<br>Actual | 2022-23<br>Actual |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Healthy Communities Projects     | 3.2               | 3.0               | 3.3               | 3.6               | 3.0               |
| Arts Projects                    | 3.4               | 3.0               | 3.0               | 3.0               | 2.9               |
| Sport and Racing Projects        | 3.3               | 3.0               | 2.9               | 3.0               | 3.0               |

Projects funded across all three funding programs exceeded the value for money targets for 2025-26. These scores reflect a greater number of funded projects achieving or exceeding reach into priority populations, delivering message promotion and education opportunities, developing strong partnerships and offering elements of sustainability, including system and policy change.

## Certification of Key Performance Indicators

We hereby certify that the key performance indicators are based on proper records, are relevant and appropriate for assisting users to assess the Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation's performance and fairly represent the performance of the Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation for the financial year ended 30 June 2026.



Ms Karen Brown  
Presiding Member  
20 August 2026



Ms Lisa Bayakly  
Board Member  
20 August 2026

KPI 2: Extent of funding activities aligned with health priority areas for Western Australia

Table 3 – Priority health area

| Priority health issue                                                            | Approved Grants<br>2025-26 | Actual % of approved grants<br>2025-26 | Target Percentage<br>2025-26 | Actual % of approved grants<br>2024-25 | Actual % of approved grants<br>2023-24 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Prevent and reduce use of tobacco, e-cigarettes and other novel tobacco products | \$2,820,044                | 14%                                    | 10%                          | 9%                                     | 11%                                    |
| Prevent and reduce use of alcohol                                                | \$1,140,292                | 6%                                     | 10%                          | 7%                                     | 7%                                     |
| Promote healthy eating                                                           | \$5,457,917                | 26%                                    | 30%                          | 29%                                    | 29%                                    |
| Promote active living                                                            | \$4,619,050                | 22%                                    | 15%                          | 18%                                    | 11%                                    |
| Promote mental wellbeing                                                         | \$6,723,499                | 32%                                    | 30%                          | 35%                                    | 38%                                    |
| Other funding initiatives                                                        | \$31,904                   | <1%                                    | 5%                           | 2%                                     | 4%                                     |
| Totals                                                                           | \$20,792,706               | 100%                                   | 100%                         | 100%                                   | 100%                                   |

This effectiveness indicator provides a measure of the allocation of Healthway's program funding to priority health issues against targets identified annually by the Healthway Board.

The priority health issues identified align to Healthway's Strategic Plan 2024-2029: *Creating a healthier Western Australia together*, and other related key strategic documents such as the WA Department of Health's Health Promotion Strategic Framework 2022-2026, the Western Australian Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drugs Strategy 2026-2031 and the National Preventive Health Strategy 2021-2030.

As outlined in Table 3, the allocation of Healthway funding for 2025-26 to promote mental wellbeing (32% of funding) exceeded the target of 30%. This reflects continued high community demand for funding to promote mental wellbeing across the WA community, particularly in regional areas and through sporting programs. The Board's priority focus to promote healthy eating (26% of funding) fell short of the target of 30%, which was increased from the 2024-25 target of 25%. This is due, in part, to responses to policy

and legislative opportunities during 2025-26 to address tobacco, vaping and other nicotine product use at both the state and federal levels, resulting in funding for preventing and reducing the use of tobacco, e-cigarettes and other novel tobacco products (14%) exceeding the target of 10%.

The target for preventing and reducing use of alcohol is under-subscribed, with 6% of funding allocated against the target of 10%. The target for promoting active living is over-subscribed, with 22% of funding allocated against the target of 15, due to an increase in arts programs being allocated active living as a primary or secondary health issue.

These targets provide aspirational goals for the allocation of funding and Healthway has directed funds accordingly. However, it is noted that the actual allocation is impacted by community and emerging needs, prior funding commitments, current health promotion campaigns and issues, and applications received that address particular health issues. Healthway's ability to respond to emerging public health issues and changing community need is a strength.

Key efficiency indicator

The key efficiency indicator provides a measure of the cost of inputs required to deliver its service. The indicator measures the average administrative cost per \$100 of approved grant and partnership funding.

KPI 3: The average administrative costs of processing grant and partnership applications

During 2025-26, the average cost was lower than target mainly due to a lower-than-anticipated corporate cost relating to the Service Level Agreement (SLA) and the timing of certain expenditures throughout the year.

The current average cost of \$20.19 is modestly higher than 2024-25. This is mainly due to a slightly lower grant allocation, while corporate costs remained relatively stable. Since 2024-25, the average costs have been higher because corporate activities have expanded beyond standard grant processing in accordance with Healthway's Strategic Plan. These new activities include strategic policy, research and evaluation, advocacy and stakeholder engagement.

Table 4 – Average cost per \$100 of grant funding

| Efficiency indicator                                              | 2025-26 actual | 2025-26 target | 2024-25 actual | 2023-24 actual | 2022-23 actual |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Average cost per \$100 of approved grant and partnership funding* | \$20.19        | \$23.47        | \$19.58^       | \$14.41^       | \$15.33^       |

\* Includes leveraging support costs, consisting of various promotional materials.

^ The historical trend for average cost is mainly driven by the timing of corporate expenditure and the carryover of deferred committed expenditure across the financial year.

# Ministerial Directive

No Ministerial directives were issued during 2025-26.

# Other Financial Disclosures

## Pricing policies of services provided

The agency does not charge or recoup costs for its services.

## Major capital works

For the financial year 2025-26, there were no major capital projects undertaken.

# Governance Disclosures

## Conflict of interest

We maintain conflict of interest policies and procedures consistent with Public Sector Commission requirements. Conflicts declared by officers, Board members and committee members were assessed and managed through approved management plans. Where required, individuals abstained from decision-making on matters to which a conflict related.

## Related Party Transactions

Disclosures required under AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures are included in Financial Statements.

As at the date of this report, no related party transactions were identified other than normal service contracts and employment arrangements.

## Directors and Officers liability insurance

We have in place a Directors and Officers Liability Insurance policy, which indemnifies members and directors (as defined in Part 3 of the *Statutory Corporations (Liability of Directors) Act 1996*) against liability under Section 13 and 14 of that Act. The premium paid in 2025-26 was \$4,488.00.

# Other Legal Requirements

## Unauthorised credit card use

A number of Healthway staff hold a corporate credit card. Healthway's credit card policy provides a framework for the appropriate use of credit cards.

In 2025-26, three employees inadvertently used their corporate credit card for personal transactions on three occasions. The use did not invoke disciplinary action given the prompt notification and full payment of the amounts involved and because the nature of the expenditure was immaterial, inadvertent and characterised as an honest mistake. Amounts incurred and direction of payment are outlined below.

|                                                   | 2024-25 | 2025-26 |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Aggregate amount of personal use expenditure      | \$0     | \$4,149 |
| Aggregate amount settled within five working days | \$0     | \$4,149 |
| Aggregate amount settled after five working days  | \$0     | \$0     |
| Aggregate amount outstanding at balance date      | \$0     | \$0     |

## Privacy and responsible information sharing

The *Privacy and Responsible Information Sharing Act 2024* mandates a regulatory framework for privacy protection and responsible information sharing. During 2025-26, the Healthway and Lotterywest working group progressed readiness by reviewing existing policies, developing new policies and procedures and clarifying roles and responsibilities. Privacy considerations were further embedded into projects and data sharing initiatives through the introduction of Privacy Impact Assessments. Work commenced to implement information breach requirements, including notification and reporting processes.

## Freedom of Information

The *Freedom of Information Act 1992* provides the public with the right to access information held by Healthway. No Freedom of Information requests were received for the 2025-26 period.

## Record Keeping

Our Record Keeping Plan complies with the State Records Commission Standard 2, Principle 6 through the following initiatives:

### Evaluation of record keeping systems

A review of our Record Keeping Plan was completed in 2025-26. It identified opportunities to strengthen governance and improve consistency in record keeping practices and systems, including policies, procedures and guidance. Improvements were also identified to strengthen governance within Microsoft 365 and support the consistent capture, classification, storage and disposal of records. An updated Record Keeping Plan was submitted to the State Records Commission for approval.

In 2025-26, Healthway and Lotterywest's Data and Information Governance function continued to strengthen governance of our record keeping systems by:

- Developing a Data Custodianship model to strengthen data management across business systems.
- Reconfiguring information classification controls in Microsoft Purview to further comply with the WA Government Information Classification Policy and strengthen Data Loss Prevention capabilities.
- Investigating Microsoft 365 as an Electronic Document and Records Management System (EDRMS).
- Developing procedures for compliant retention and disposal practices in the Grants Management System.

### Record keeping training and induction program

Healthway and Lotterywest promote good record keeping and information management practices. All staff working on Healthway business must complete mandatory Records Awareness Training through the Lotterywest Learning Management System (LMS) when they commence. All new staff also receive in-person EDRMS training. The sessions cover information classification and compliant information management practices. Staff can also access user guides and related information on the intranet.

### Evaluation of record keeping and training program

These training and induction programs are reviewed regularly to ensure they reflect current business practices and align with government and legislative requirements.

Advertising

In accordance with section 175ZE of the *Electoral Act 1907*, Healthway had no expenditure incurred on advertising, market research, polling, direct mail and media advertising organisations for the 2025-26 financial year.

Compliance with Public Sector Standards

As a public sector agency, we are required to comply with Public Sector Standards in Human Resource Management (HRM) and the Public Sector Code of Ethics.

Action taken to ensure compliance includes:

- Information about HRM Standards and the Commissioner's Instructions is made available to all employees.
- Comprehensive onboarding of new personnel and regular training for existing employees.
- Human resource practices, policies and processes are reviewed regularly to ensure compliance with HRM standards and the Commissioner's Instructions.

Human resources and other services are provided to Healthway under the Lotterywest Healthway Service Level Arrangement. Grievances, claims of misconduct or breaches of employment standards during 2025–26 are reported through Lotterywest's Annual Report. There were no breaches of standards identified in 2025-26.

Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

The FRAC plays a key role in advising and supporting the Healthway Board in meeting its governance and oversight responsibilities. The committee's scope extends to ongoing performance, control and compliance, monitoring, reporting and making recommendations to sustain and improve Healthway's performance and systems of internal control, legislative compliance and risk management.

FRAC membership:

- Ms Lisa Bayakly (Board member): Committee Chair.
- Ms Miriam Borthwick (Board member): Committee member.
- Mr Steve Harris (Board member): Committee member up to 10 October 2025.
- Mr Gavin Bain (Board member): Committee member from 27 November 2025.

Risk management

We are committed to a comprehensive risk management approach aligned to AS/NZS ISO 31000:2018 Risk Management Standard, State Government requirements and the Australian Standard 8001-2021 Fraud and Corruption Control.

The Healthway Risk Management Framework defines the Board's risk appetite and provides guidance on risk management for all significant activities and functions. The Framework reflects the following objectives:

- Encourages a 'risk aware' culture that supports responsible and informed risk-taking to protect the organisation and maintain stakeholder confidence.
- Provides a structured and systematic approach to managing risk.
- Ensures that risk management is embedded in the business and is a dynamic process regularly reviewed and updated.
- Provide the Board confidence that risks are being managed throughout the organisation.

Government Policy Requirements

Board and Committee Remuneration

The Act provides for the Minister to determine the remuneration paid to a Board or committee member on the recommendation of the Public Sector Commissioner. Premier's Circular 2021/18 – State Government Board and Committees provides the eligibility criteria for members to receive a fee. The following table reports on the fee paid to each eligible Healthway Board and committee member including those not receiving a fee during 2025–26.

| Position title                 | Member name             | Type of remuneration          | Period of membership          | Base salary /sitting fees | Gross/actual remuneration for 2025-26 (incl. super) |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Presiding member               | Ms Karen Brown          | Annual                        | 12 months                     | \$22,225                  | \$24,892                                            |
| Board & Committee member       | Mr Gavin Bain           | Sessional payment per meeting | 8 months (from October 2025)  | \$4,086                   | \$4,576                                             |
| Board member & Committee Chair | Ms Lisa Bayakly         | Sessional payment per meeting | 12 months                     | \$7,098                   | \$7,950                                             |
| Board & Committee member       | Ms Miriam Borthwick     | Sessional payment per meeting | 12 months                     | \$6,561                   | \$7,348                                             |
| Board member                   | Prof Donna Cross        | Sessional payment per meeting | 12 months                     | \$2,475                   | \$2,772                                             |
| Board member                   | Prof Billie Giles-Corti | Sessional payment per meeting | 12 months                     | \$4,125                   | \$4,620                                             |
| Board member & Committee Chair | Mr Steve Harris         | Sessional payment per meeting | 3 months (up to October 2025) | \$2,187                   | \$2,449                                             |
| Total remuneration             |                         |                               |                               | \$48,757                  | \$54,607                                            |

Work, safety, health and injury management

We continue to maintain a strong focus on providing a safe and healthy working environment, ensuring full compliance with the Western Australian (WA) *Work Health and Safety Act 2020*, *Work Health and Safety General Regulations 2022* and the injury management requirements of the *Workers' Compensation and Injury Management Act 2023*.

This commitment is underpinned by alignment with Lotterywest's established work health safety and wellbeing governance and work health and safety management system. The strategic oversight, risk management and continuous improvement processes are embedded

across all operations of both organisations through this framework. We apply Lotterywest's safety management systems and frameworks, including hazard identification, risk assessment, incident reporting and injury management practices, to proactively manage health and safety risks. Together, these systems support a culture of shared responsibility and duty of care as Persons Conducting Business and Undertaking (PCBU) and wellbeing-focused practices for all Healthway staff employed by Lotterywest.

Work health safety and injury management performance reporting data is captured within Lotterywest's reporting requirements, aligned to the Lotterywest Healthway SLA.

# Certification of Financial Statements

The accompanying financial statements of the Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation have been prepared in compliance with the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 2006* from proper accounts and records to present fairly the financial transactions for the reporting period ended 30 June 2026 and the financial position as at 30 June 2026. At the date of signing, we are not aware of any circumstances which would render the particulars included within the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.



Ms Karen Brown  
Presiding Member  
20 August 2026



Ms Lisa Bayakly  
Board Member  
20 August 2026



Mr David Ah Fong  
A/Chief Finance Officer  
20 August 2026

Image: Community triathlon. Image by Sarah Stampfli, courtesy Shire of East Pilbara.



# Opinion of the Auditor General

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Auditor General

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

2026

Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation

To the Parliament of Western Australia

## Report on the audit of the financial statements

### Opinion

I have audited the financial statements of the Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation (Foundation) which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2026, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- notes comprising a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In my opinion, the financial statements are:

- based on proper accounts and present fairly, in all material respects, the operating results and cash flows of the Foundation for the year ended 30 June 2026 and the financial position as at the end of that period
- in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (applicable to Tier 2 Entities), the *Financial Management Act 2006* and the Treasurer's Instructions.

### Basis for opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of my report.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

### Responsibilities of the Board for the financial statements

The Board is responsible for:

- keeping proper accounts
- preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (applicable to Tier 2 Entities), the *Financial Management Act 2006* and the Treasurer's Instructions
- such internal control as it determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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# Opinion of the Auditor General

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In preparing the financial statements, the Board is responsible for:

- assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern
- disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern
- using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Western Australian Government has made policy or funding decisions affecting the continued existence of the Foundation.

### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

As required by the *Auditor General Act 2006*, my responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements. The objectives of my audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.

A further description of my responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website. This description forms part of my auditor's report and can be found at [https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf](https://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf).

### Report on the audit of controls

#### Opinion

I have undertaken a reasonable assurance engagement on the design and implementation of controls exercised by the Foundation. The controls exercised by the Foundation are those policies and procedures established to ensure that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property, and the incurring of liabilities have been in accordance with the State's financial reporting framework (the overall control objectives).

In my opinion, in all material respects, the controls exercised by the Foundation are sufficiently adequate to provide reasonable assurance that the controls within the system were suitably designed to achieve the overall control objectives identified as at 30 June 2026, and the controls were implemented as designed as at 30 June 2026.

#### The Board's responsibilities

The Board is responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining controls to ensure that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property and the incurring of liabilities are in accordance with the *Financial Management Act 2006*, the Treasurer's Instructions and other relevant written law.

# Opinion of the Auditor General

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### Auditor General's responsibilities

As required by the *Auditor General Act 2006*, my responsibility as an assurance practitioner is to express an opinion on the suitability of the design of the controls to achieve the overall control objectives and the implementation of the controls as designed. I conducted my engagement in accordance with Standard on Assurance Engagements *ASAE 3150 Assurance Engagements on Controls* issued by the Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. That standard requires that I comply with relevant ethical requirements and plan and perform my procedures to obtain reasonable assurance about whether, in all material respects, the controls are suitably designed to achieve the overall control objectives and were implemented as designed.

An assurance engagement involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the suitability of the controls design to achieve the overall control objectives and the implementation of those controls. The procedures selected depend on my judgement, including an assessment of the risks that controls are not suitably designed or implemented as designed. My procedures included testing the implementation of those controls that I consider necessary to achieve the overall control objectives.

I believe that the evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

### Limitations of controls

Because of the inherent limitations of any internal control structure, it is possible that, even if the controls are suitably designed and implemented as designed, once in operation, the overall control objectives may not be achieved so that fraud, error or non-compliance with laws and regulations may occur and not be detected. Any projection of the outcome of the evaluation of the suitability of the design of controls to future periods is subject to the risk that the controls may become unsuitable because of changes in conditions.

### Report on the audit of the key performance indicators

#### Opinion

I have undertaken a reasonable assurance engagement on the key performance indicators of the Foundation for the year ended 30 June 2026 reported in accordance with the *Financial Management Act 2006* and the Treasurer's Instructions (legislative requirements). The key performance indicators are the Under Treasurer-approved key effectiveness indicators and key efficiency indicators that provide performance information about achieving outcomes and delivering services.

In my opinion, in all material respects, the key performance indicators report of the Foundation for the year ended 30 June 2026 is in accordance with the legislative requirements, and the key performance indicators are relevant and appropriate to assist users to assess the Foundation's performance and fairly represent indicated performance for the year ended 30 June 2026.

# Opinion of the Auditor General

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## The Board's responsibilities for the key performance indicators

The Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the key performance indicators in accordance with the *Financial Management Act 2006* and the Treasurer's Instructions and for such internal controls as the Board determines necessary to enable the preparation of key performance indicators that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the key performance indicators, the Board is responsible for identifying key performance indicators that are relevant and appropriate, having regard to their purpose in accordance with Treasurer's Instruction 3 Financial Sustainability – Requirement 5 Key Performance Indicators.

## Auditor General's responsibilities

As required by the *Auditor General Act 2006*, my responsibility as an assurance practitioner is to express an opinion on the key performance indicators. The objectives of my engagement are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the key performance indicators are relevant and appropriate to assist users to assess the Foundation's performance and whether the key performance indicators are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. I conducted my engagement in accordance with Standard on Assurance Engagements ASAE 3000 *Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information* issued by the Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. That standard requires that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to assurance engagements.

An assurance engagement involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the key performance indicators. It also involves evaluating the relevance and appropriateness of the key performance indicators against the criteria and guidance in Treasurer's Instruction 3 - Requirement 5 for measuring the extent of outcome achievement and the efficiency of service delivery. The procedures selected depend on my judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the key performance indicators. In making these risk assessments, I obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the engagement in order to design procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances.

I believe that the evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

## My independence and quality management relating to the report on financial statements, controls and key performance indicators

I have complied with the independence requirements of the *Auditor General Act 2006* and the relevant ethical requirements relating to assurance engagements. In accordance with ASQM 1 *Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Reports and Other Financial Information, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements*, the Office of the Auditor General maintains a comprehensive system of quality management including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

# Opinion of the Auditor General

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## Other information

The Board is responsible for the other information. The other information is the information in the entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2026, but not the financial statements, key performance indicators and my auditor's report.

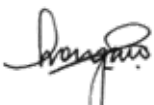
My opinions on the financial statements, controls and key performance indicators do not cover the other information and accordingly I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with my audit of the financial statements, controls and key performance indicators my responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements and key performance indicators or my knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I did not receive the other information prior to the date of this auditor's report. When I do receive it, I will read it and if I conclude that there is a material misstatement in this information, I am required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance and request them to correct the misstated information. If the misstated information is not corrected, I may need to retract this auditor's report and re-issue an amended report.

## Matters relating to the electronic publication of the audited financial statements and key performance indicators

This auditor's report relates to the financial statements and key performance indicators of the Foundation for the year ended 30 June 2026 included in the annual report on the Foundation's website. The Foundation's management is responsible for the integrity of the Foundation's website. This audit does not provide assurance on the integrity of the Foundation's website. The auditor's report refers only to the financial statements, controls and key performance indicators described above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from the annual report. If users of the financial statements and key performance indicators are concerned with the inherent risks arising from publication on a website, they are advised to contact the Foundation to confirm the information contained in the website version.



Liang Wong  
Acting Senior Director Financial Audit  
Delegate of the Auditor General for Western Australia  
Perth, Western Australia  
24 August 2026

# Financial Statements

## Statement of Comprehensive Income

For The Year Ended 30 June 2026

|                                                             | Note | 2026<br>\$        | 2025<br>\$ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------|-------------------|------------|
| <b>Cost of services</b>                                     |      |                   |            |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                             |      |                   |            |
| Grants and sponsorships                                     | 2.1  | 21,509,358        | 22,466,717 |
| Supplies and services                                       | 2.2  | 4,215,212         | 4,239,965  |
| Other expenses                                              | 2.3  | 127,260           | 159,901    |
| <b>Total cost of services</b>                               |      | <b>25,851,830</b> | 26,866,583 |
| <b>Income</b>                                               |      |                   |            |
| <b>Revenue</b>                                              |      |                   |            |
| Other revenue                                               | 3.2  | 483,383           | 564,852    |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                                        |      | <b>483,383</b>    | 564,852    |
| <b>Total income other than income from State Government</b> |      | <b>483,383</b>    | 564,852    |
| <b>Net cost of services</b>                                 |      | <b>25,368,447</b> | 26,301,731 |
| <b>Income from State Government</b>                         |      |                   |            |
| Service appropriation                                       | 3.1  | 25,995,000        | 25,520,000 |
| Resources received                                          | 3.1  | 325               | -          |
| <b>Total income from State Government</b>                   |      | <b>25,995,325</b> | 25,520,000 |
| <b>SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE PERIOD</b>                     |      | <b>626,878</b>    | (781,731)  |
| <b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD</b>     |      | <b>626,878</b>    | (781,731)  |

The Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2026

|                                  | Note | 2026<br>\$        | 2025<br>\$ |
|----------------------------------|------|-------------------|------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                    |      |                   |            |
| <b>Current Assets</b>            |      |                   |            |
| Cash and cash equivalents        | 4    | 13,181,756        | 13,027,407 |
| Inventories                      | 5    | 9,780             | 12,055     |
| Receivables                      | 6    | 1,458,434         | 1,658,879  |
| Other current assets             | 7    | 1,596             | 5,696      |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>      |      | <b>14,651,566</b> | 14,704,037 |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>              |      | <b>14,651,566</b> | 14,704,037 |
| <b>Liabilities</b>               |      |                   |            |
| <b>Current Liabilities</b>       |      |                   |            |
| Payables                         | 8    | 13,338,752        | 14,018,101 |
| <b>Total Current Liabilities</b> |      | <b>13,338,752</b> | 14,018,101 |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>         |      | <b>13,338,752</b> | 14,018,101 |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                |      | <b>1,312,814</b>  | 685,936    |
| <b>Equity</b>                    |      |                   |            |
| Accumulated surplus              |      | 1,312,814         | 685,936    |
| <b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>              |      | <b>1,312,814</b>  | 685,936    |

The Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Statement of Changes in Equity

For The Year Ended 30 June 2026

|                                                  | Note | Accumulated surplus<br>\$ | Total equity<br>\$ |
|--------------------------------------------------|------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Balance at 1 July 2024</b>                    |      | <b>1,467,667</b>          | <b>1,467,667</b>   |
| Surplus/(Deficit)                                |      | (781,731)                 | (781,731)          |
| Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period |      | <b>(781,731)</b>          | <b>(781,731)</b>   |
| <b>Balance at 30 June 2025</b>                   |      | <b>685,936</b>            | <b>685,936</b>     |
| <b>Balance at 1 July 2025</b>                    |      | <b>685,936</b>            | <b>685,936</b>     |
| Surplus/(Deficit)                                |      | 626,878                   | 626,878            |
| Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period |      | <b>626,878</b>            | <b>626,878</b>     |
| <b>Balance at 30 June 2026</b>                   |      | <b>1,312,814</b>          | <b>1,312,814</b>   |

The Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Statement of Cash Flows

For The Year Ended 30 June 2026

|                                                           | Note | 2026<br>\$          | 2025<br>\$   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------|---------------------|--------------|
| <b>Cash flows from State Government</b>                   |      |                     |              |
| Service appropriation                                     |      | <b>25,995,000</b>   | 25,520,000   |
| <b>Net cash provided by State Government</b>              |      | <b>25,995,000</b>   | 25,520,000   |
| Utilised as follows:                                      |      |                     |              |
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>               |      |                     |              |
| <b>Payments</b>                                           |      |                     |              |
| Supplies and services                                     |      | <b>(4,049,015)</b>  | (4,232,847)  |
| Grants and sponsorship                                    |      | <b>(22,049,615)</b> | (18,528,452) |
| GST payments on purchases                                 |      | <b>(2,588,742)</b>  | (2,244,395)  |
| <b>Receipts</b>                                           |      |                     |              |
| GST receipts from taxation authority                      |      | <b>2,704,806</b>    | 2,579,172    |
| Other receipts                                            |      | <b>141,915</b>      | 221,534      |
| <b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>              |      | <b>(25,840,651)</b> | (22,204,988) |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents                 |      | <b>154,349</b>      | 3,315,012    |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of period      |      | <b>13,027,407</b>   | 9,712,395    |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period</b> | 4    | <b>13,181,756</b>   | 13,027,407   |

The Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## 1. Basis of preparation

The Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation (Healthway) is a WA Government entity and is controlled by the State of Western Australia, which is the ultimate parent. Healthway is a not-for-profit entity (as profit is not its principal objective).

A description of the nature of its operations and its principal activities has been included in the Agency overview which does not form part of these financial statements.

These annual financial statements were authorised for issue by the Accountable Authority of Healthway on 20 August 2026.

### Statement of compliance

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, the Conceptual Framework and other authoritative pronouncements issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) as modified by Treasurer's instructions. Some of these pronouncements are modified to vary their application and disclosure.

The *Financial Management Act 2006* and Treasurer's instructions, which are legislative provisions governing the preparation of financial statements for agencies, take precedence over AASB pronouncements. Where an AASB pronouncement is modified and has had a significant financial effect on the reported results, details of the modification and the resulting financial effect are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

### Basis of preparation

These financial statements are presented in Australian dollars applying the accrual basis of accounting and using the historical cost convention. Certain balances will apply a different measurement basis (such as the fair value basis). Where this is the case the different measurement basis is disclosed in the associated note. All values are rounded to the nearest dollar (\$).

### Comparative information

Except when an Australian Accounting Standard permits or requires otherwise, comparative information is presented in respect of the previous period for all amounts reported in the financial statements. AASB 1060 provides relief from presenting comparatives for:

- Property, Plant and Equipment reconciliations;
- Intangible Asset reconciliations; and
- Right-of-Use Asset reconciliations.

### Judgements and estimates

Judgements, estimates and assumptions are required to be made about financial information being presented. The significant judgements and estimates made in the preparation of these financial statements are disclosed in the notes where amounts affected by those judgements and/or estimates are disclosed. Estimates and associated assumptions are based on professional judgements derived from historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

### Accounting for Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Income, expenses, and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except that the:

(a) amount of GST incurred by Healthway as a purchaser that is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) is recognised as part of an asset's cost of acquisition or as part of an item of expense; and

(b) receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis. However, the GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

## 2. Use of our funding

Healthway's funding is principally from appropriations. The primary expenses incurred by Healthway in achieving its objectives and the relevant notes are:

### 2.1 Grants and sponsorship

|                                      | 2026<br>\$        | 2025<br>\$        |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Grants</b>                        |                   |                   |
| Health promotion and research grants | 8,874,422         | 8,488,978         |
| Arts sponsorship                     | 3,948,067         | 3,866,976         |
| Sport sponsorship                    | 7,860,217         | 8,204,322         |
| Racing sponsorship                   | 110,000           | 170,000           |
|                                      | 20,792,706        | 20,730,276        |
| <b>Supports</b>                      |                   |                   |
| Support sponsorship                  | 716,652           | 1,736,441         |
|                                      | 716,652           | 1,736,441         |
| <b>Total grants and sponsorship</b>  | <b>21,509,358</b> | <b>22,466,717</b> |

Grants and support sponsorship are recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are paid or payable.

Grants and support sponsorship expense totalling \$518,256 relates to State Government entities (2025: \$517,834).

### 2.2 Supplies and services

|                                             | 2026<br>\$       | 2025<br>\$       |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Consultants and contractors                 | 4,075,769        | 4,171,428        |
| Consumables                                 | 4,631            | 8,360            |
| Other                                       | 134,812          | 60,177           |
| <b>Total supplies and services expenses</b> | <b>4,215,212</b> | <b>4,239,965</b> |

Supplies and services are recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are incurred. Included in supplies and services are payments to:

- RiskCover for insurance payments of \$10,654 (2025: \$8,737)
- Lotteries Commission (Lotterywest) for services provided under the Healthway Lotterywest Service Level Arrangement (SLA) of \$3,994,888 (2025: \$3,706,698)

2.3 Other expenses

|                             | 2026<br>\$     | 2025<br>\$     |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Audit and assurance fees    | 127,260        | 159,901        |
| <b>Total other expenses</b> | <b>127,260</b> | <b>159,901</b> |

Other expenses are recognised as an expense in the reporting period in which they are incurred.

3. Funding Sources

The primary income received by Healthway, and the relevant notes are:

3.1 Income from State Government

|                                                                                | 2026<br>\$        | 2025<br>\$        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Appropriation received during the period:</b>                               |                   |                   |
| Service appropriation                                                          | 25,995,000        | 25,520,000        |
| <b>Total service appropriation</b>                                             | <b>25,995,000</b> | <b>25,520,000</b> |
| <b>Resources received from other public sector entities during the period:</b> |                   |                   |
| Service received free of charge                                                | 325               | -                 |
| <b>Total resources received</b>                                                | <b>325</b>        | <b>-</b>          |
| <b>Total Income from State Government</b>                                      | <b>25,995,325</b> | <b>25,520,000</b> |

**Service Appropriations** are recognised as income at the fair value of consideration received in the period in which Healthway gains control of the appropriated funds. Healthway gains control of appropriated funds at the time those funds are deposited in the bank account.

Summary of Consolidated Account Appropriations

For The Year Ended 30 June 2026

|                                                           | 2026<br>Budget<br>Estimates<br>\$ | 2026<br>Revised<br>Budget<br>\$ | 2026<br>Actual<br>\$ | 2026<br>Variance<br>\$ |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Delivery of Services</b>                               |                                   |                                 |                      |                        |
| <b>Amount authorised by other Statutes</b>                |                                   |                                 |                      |                        |
| - Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation Act 2016 | 25,992,000                        | 25,995,000                      | 25,995,000           | -                      |
| <b>Total appropriations provided to deliver services</b>  | <b>25,992,000</b>                 | <b>25,995,000</b>               | <b>25,995,000</b>    | <b>-</b>               |

No supplementary income was received by Healthway.

3.2 Other revenue

|                                             | 2026<br>\$     | 2025<br>\$     |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Return of unexpended grants and sponsorship | 141,914        | 221,534        |
| Unused funds and write-backs prior years(a) | 341,469        | 343,318        |
| <b>Total other revenue</b>                  | <b>483,383</b> | <b>564,852</b> |

(a) Unused funds and write-backs prior years reflect prior years grants and sponsorships liabilities released following project completion.

# Key Assets and Liabilities

## 4. Cash and cash equivalents

|                                 | 2026<br>\$        | 2025<br>\$        |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents       | 13,181,756        | 13,027,407        |
| <b>Balance at end of period</b> | <b>13,181,756</b> | <b>13,027,407</b> |

For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalent assets comprise cash on hand and short-term deposits with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash, and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

## 5. Inventories

|                                   | 2026<br>\$   | 2025<br>\$    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Inventories held for distribution | 9,780        | 12,055        |
| <b>Total inventories</b>          | <b>9,780</b> | <b>12,055</b> |

Inventories held for distribution are valued at cost adjusted, when applicable, for any loss of service potential. Inventories acquired for no cost or nominal consideration are valued at current replacement cost.

## 6. Receivables

|                          | 2026<br>\$       | 2025<br>\$       |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Current</b>           |                  |                  |
| GST receivable           | 1,458,434        | 1,658,879        |
| <b>Total receivables</b> | <b>1,458,434</b> | <b>1,658,879</b> |

Receivables are recognised at original invoice amount less any allowance for uncollectible amounts. The carrying amount is equivalent to fair value as it is due for settlement within 30 days. As at 30 June 2026, GST receivables is not considered to be impaired (i.e., there are no expected credit losses). Healthway does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements as security for receivables.

## 7. Other current assets

|                                 | 2026<br>\$   | 2025<br>\$   |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Prepayments                     | 1,596        | 5,696        |
| <b>Balance at end of period</b> | <b>1,596</b> | <b>5,696</b> |

## 8. Payables

|                                 | 2026<br>\$        | 2025<br>\$        |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Current</b>                  |                   |                   |
| Trade payables (a)              | 758,456           | 432,837           |
| Grants and sponsorship          | 12,481,183        | 13,421,465        |
| Accrued expenses                | 94,700            | 163,799           |
| Other                           | 4,413             | -                 |
| <b>Balance at end of period</b> | <b>13,338,752</b> | <b>14,018,101</b> |

(a) It includes an outstanding balance of \$725,146 relating to the SLA (2025: \$372,607).

Payables are recognised at the amounts payable when Healthway becomes obliged to make future payments as a result of a purchase of assets or services. The carrying amount is equivalent to fair value as settlement for Healthway is generally within 15 - 20 days.

Healthway applies AASB 137 *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets* to determine items that meet the criteria of accounts payable, including grant and sponsorship projects. The payables are approved and due to be paid within the next 12 months. Funding recipients are generally required to meet certain conditions which are outside Healthway's control. Where the grants and sponsorships do not meet the criteria of AASB 137 these are included as future commitments in Note 9.1.

# Other Disclosures

## 9. Commitments

### 9.1 Grants expenditure commitments

Grant and sponsorship expenditure commitments relate to the Board's approval to fund applications which were received on or prior to 30 June 2026 and are contingent on Healthway's continued existence and future revenue being received. The values are not recognised as liabilities until formal contracts for approved grants and sponsorship are in place.

Grants and sponsorship approved but not recognised as liabilities are payable as follows

|                                              | 2026<br>\$ | 2025<br>\$ |
|----------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Within 1 year                                | 10,063,072 | 13,882,580 |
| Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years | 2,006,434  | 4,046,132  |
|                                              | 12,069,506 | 17,928,712 |

The commitments are GST inclusive.

## 10. Key Management Personnel

Healthway has determined that key management personnel included the cabinet ministers, board members and senior officers of Healthway. Healthway does not incur expenditures to compensate Ministers, and those disclosures may be found in the Annual Report on State Finances.

The total fees, salaries, superannuation, non-monetary benefits and other benefits for senior officers, and accountable authority for the reporting period are presented within the following bands.

Compensation of members of the accountable authority

| Compensation Band | 2026             | 2025 |
|-------------------|------------------|------|
| \$0-10,000        | 6 <sup>(a)</sup> | 6    |
| \$10,001-20,000   | -                | -    |
| \$20,001-30,000   | 1                | 1    |

(a) A new accountable officer was appointed during the period after the previous officer retired.

|                                                            | 2026<br>\$ | 2025<br>\$ |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Total compensation of members of the accountable authority | 54,608     | 61,593     |

Compensation of senior officers

| Compensation Band | 2026 | 2025             |
|-------------------|------|------------------|
| \$0-50,000        | 3    | 4 <sup>(a)</sup> |

(a) One individual acted in a senior officer role for more than 3 months in 2024-25

|                                                      | 2026<br>\$ | 2025<br>\$ |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Total compensation of senior officers <sup>(a)</sup> | -          | -          |

(a) The Healthway Lotterywest SLA effectively released Healthway of recording and accounting for employee remuneration and entitlements. Senior officers of Healthway are directly remunerated by Lotterywest and reimbursed under the terms of the SLA, therefore are reported as nil in the band.

## 11. Remuneration of auditor

Remuneration paid or payable to the Auditor General in respect of the audit for the current financial year is as follows:

|                                                                                       | 2026<br>\$ | 2025<br>\$ |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Auditing of the accounts, financial statements, controls, and performance indicators. | 94,700     | 91,451     |

12. Related Party Transactions

Healthway is a wholly owned public sector entity that is controlled by the State of Western Australia.

Related parties of Healthway include:

- 1) all cabinet ministers and their close family members, and their controlled or jointly controlled entities;
- 2) all senior officers and their close family members, and their controlled or jointly controlled entities;
- 3) other agencies and statutory authorities, including related bodies that are included in the whole of government consolidated financial statements (i.e., wholly owned public sector entities);
- 4) associates and joint ventures of a wholly owned public sector entities; and
- 5) the Government Employees Superannuation Board (GESB).

Significant transactions with Government related entities

In conducting its activities, Healthway is required to transact with the State and entities related to the State. These transactions are generally based on the standard terms and conditions that apply to all agencies.

Significant transactions include:

- 1) service appropriation note 3.1
- 2) insurance payments to RiskCover note 2.2
- 3) remuneration for services provided by the Auditor General note 11
- 4) grants and sponsorship provided to State Government entities note 2.1
- 5) services provided by Lotteries Commission (Lotterywest) note 2.2

Material transactions with other related parties

Outside of normal citizen type transactions with the Foundation there were no other related party transactions that involved key management personnel and/or their close family members and/or their controlled (or jointly controlled) entities.

13. Related bodies

Healthway had no related bodies during the financial year.

14. Affiliated bodies

Healthway had no affiliated bodies during the financial year.

15. Supplementary financial information

Write-offs, Losses through theft, defaults and other causes, forgiveness of debt and Gifts of public property.

There were no write-offs, losses through theft, defaults and other causes, forgiveness of debt or gifts of public property during the financial year (2025: nil).

16. Events occurring after the end of the reporting period

No events, matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the reporting period which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of Healthway, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of Healthway in future financial years.

17. Explanatory statement

All variances between annual estimates (original budget) and actual results for 2026, and between the actual results for 2026 and 2025, are shown below. Narratives are provided for major variances which are more than 10% of the comparative and which are more than 1% of the following (as appropriate):

- 1. Estimate and actual results for the current year:
  - Total Cost of Services of the annual estimates for the Statement of comprehensive income and Statement of cash flows \$262,900; and
  - Total Assets of the annual estimates for the Statement of financial position \$98,270.
- 2. Actual results between the current year and the previous year:
  - Total Cost of Services of the previous year for the Statements of comprehensive income and Statement of cash flows \$268,600; and
  - Total Assets of the previous year for the Statement of financial position \$147,000.

17.1 Statement of comprehensive income variances

|                                                      | Variance<br>Note | Estimate<br>2026<br>\$ | Actual<br>2026<br>\$ | Actual<br>2025<br>\$ | Variance<br>between<br>actual<br>and<br>Estimate<br>\$ | Variance<br>between<br>actual<br>results for<br>2026 and<br>2025<br>\$ |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| COST OF SERVICES                                     |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Expenses                                             |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Grants and sponsorship                               |                  | 21,294,000             | 21,509,358           | 22,466,717           | 215,358                                                | (957,359)                                                              |
| Supplies and services                                | A                | 4,873,000              | 4,215,212            | 4,239,965            | (657,788)                                              | (24,753)                                                               |
| Other expenses                                       |                  | 125,000                | 127,260              | 159,901              | 2,260                                                  | (32,641)                                                               |
| Total cost of services                               |                  | 26,292,000             | 25,851,830           | 26,866,583           | (440,170)                                              | (1,014,753)                                                            |
| Income                                               |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Revenue                                              |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Other revenue                                        |                  | 300,000                | 483,383              | 564,852              | 183,383                                                | (81,469)                                                               |
| Total Revenue                                        |                  | 300,000                | 483,383              | 564,852              | 183,383                                                | (81,469)                                                               |
| Total income other than income from State Government |                  | 300,000                | 483,383              | 564,852              | 183,383                                                | (81,469)                                                               |
| NET COST OF SERVICES                                 |                  | 25,992,000             | 25,368,447           | 26,301,731           | (623,553)                                              | (933,284)                                                              |
| INCOME FROM STATE GOVERNMENT                         |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Service appropriation                                |                  | 25,992,000             | 25,995,000           | 25,520,000           | 3,000                                                  | 475,000                                                                |
| Resources received                                   |                  | -                      | 325                  | -                    | 325                                                    | 325                                                                    |
| Total income from State Government                   |                  | 25,992,000             | 25,995,325           | 25,520,000           | 3,325                                                  | 475,325                                                                |
| SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE PERIOD                     |                  | -                      | 626,878              | (781,731)            | 626,878                                                | 1,408,609                                                              |
| TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD     |                  | -                      | 626,878              | (781,731)            | 626,878                                                | 1,408,609                                                              |

Major estimate and actual (2026) variance narratives:  
A. Supplies and services were lower \$0.7 million (13.5%) than estimated, primarily due to lower-than-anticipated Service Level Agreement (SLA).  
Major actual (2026) and comparative (2025) variance narratives:  
Nil

17.2 Statement of financial position variances

|                                  | Variance<br>Note | Estimate<br>2026<br>\$ | Actual<br>2026<br>\$ | Actual<br>2025<br>\$ | Variance<br>between<br>actual<br>and<br>estimate<br>\$ | Variance<br>between<br>actual<br>results for<br>2026 and<br>2025<br>\$ |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                    |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| <b>Current assets</b>            |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Cash and cash equivalents        |                  | 8,167,000              | 13,181,756           | 13,027,407           | 5,014,756                                              | 154,349                                                                |
| Inventories                      |                  | 17,000                 | 9,780                | 12,055               | (7,220)                                                | (2,275)                                                                |
| Receivables                      |                  | 1,638,000              | 1,458,434            | 1,658,879            | (179,566)                                              | (200,445)                                                              |
| Other current assets             |                  | 5,000                  | 1,596                | 5,696                | (3,404)                                                | (4,100)                                                                |
| <b>Total current assets</b>      |                  | <b>9,827,000</b>       | <b>14,651,566</b>    | <b>14,704,037</b>    | <b>4,824,566</b>                                       | <b>(52,471)</b>                                                        |
| <b>Total assets</b>              |                  | <b>9,827,000</b>       | <b>14,651,566</b>    | <b>14,704,037</b>    | <b>4,824,566</b>                                       | <b>(52,471)</b>                                                        |
| <b>Liabilities</b>               |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| <b>Current liabilities</b>       |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Payables                         |                  | 9,304,000              | 13,338,752           | 14,018,101           | 4,034,752                                              | (679,349)                                                              |
| <b>Total current liabilities</b> |                  | <b>9,304,000</b>       | <b>13,338,752</b>    | <b>14,018,101</b>    | <b>4,034,752</b>                                       | <b>(679,349)</b>                                                       |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>         |                  | <b>9,304,000</b>       | <b>13,338,752</b>    | <b>14,018,101</b>    | <b>4,034,752</b>                                       | <b>(679,349)</b>                                                       |
| <b>Net assets</b>                |                  | <b>523,000</b>         | <b>1,312,814</b>     | <b>685,936</b>       | <b>789,814</b>                                         | <b>626,878</b>                                                         |
| <b>Equity</b>                    |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Accumulated surplus              |                  | 523,000                | 1,312,814            | 685,936              | 789,814                                                | 626,878                                                                |
| <b>Total Equity</b>              |                  | <b>523,000</b>         | <b>1,312,814</b>     | <b>685,936</b>       | <b>789,814</b>                                         | <b>626,878</b>                                                         |

Major estimate and actual (2026) variance narratives:

Nil

Major actual (2026) and comparative (2025) variance narratives:

Nil

17.3 Statement of cash flows variances

|                                                      | Variance<br>Note | Estimate<br>2026<br>\$ | Actual<br>2026<br>\$ | Actual<br>2025<br>\$ | Variance<br>between<br>actual<br>and<br>estimate<br>\$ | Variance<br>between<br>actual<br>results for<br>2026 and<br>2025<br>\$ |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Cash flows from State Government</b>              |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Service appropriation                                |                  | 25,992,000             | 25,995,000           | 25,520,000           | 3,000                                                  | 475,000                                                                |
| <b>Net cash provided by State Government</b>         |                  | <b>25,992,000</b>      | <b>25,995,000</b>    | <b>25,520,000</b>    | <b>3,000</b>                                           | <b>475,000</b>                                                         |
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>          |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| <b>Payments</b>                                      |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| Supplies and services                                | B                | (4,985,000)            | (4,049,015)          | (4,232,847)          | 935,985                                                | 183,832                                                                |
| Grants and sponsorship                               | 1                | (21,294,000)           | (22,049,615)         | (18,528,452)         | (755,615)                                              | (3,521,163)                                                            |
| GST payments on purchases                            | C, 2             | (2,106,000)            | (2,588,742)          | (2,244,395)          | (482,742)                                              | (344,347)                                                              |
| <b>Receipts</b>                                      |                  |                        |                      |                      |                                                        |                                                                        |
| GST receipts from taxation authority                 | D                | 2,093,000              | 2,704,806            | 2,579,172            | 611,806                                                | 125,634                                                                |
| Other receipts                                       |                  | -                      | 141,915              | 221,534              | 141,915                                                | (79,619)                                                               |
| <b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>         |                  | <b>(26,292,000)</b>    | <b>(25,840,651)</b>  | <b>(22,204,988)</b>  | <b>451,349</b>                                         | <b>(3,635,663)</b>                                                     |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents |                  | (300,000)              | 154,349              | 3,315,012            | 454,349                                                | (3,160,663)                                                            |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of period |                  | 8,467,000              | 13,027,407           | 9,712,395            | 4,560,407                                              | 3,315,012                                                              |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period   |                  | 8,167,000              | 13,181,756           | 13,027,407           | 5,014,756                                              | 154,349                                                                |

Major estimate and actual (2026) variance narratives:

B. Supplies and services were \$0.9 million (18.8%) lower than estimated, primarily due to lower SLA cost and timing of the SLA payments.

C. Actual GST payments on purchases were \$0.5 million (22.9%) higher than estimate, mainly due to higher grant payments falling due during the period.

D. Actual GST receipts from taxation authority were \$0.6 million (29.2%) higher than estimated, resulting directly from the timing of grant payments.

Major actual (2026) and comparative (2025) variance narratives:

1. Current year's grants and sponsorship were \$3.5 million (19.0%) higher than last year, as last year's election shifted the timing of the grant approvals to late in the prior year with the resulting payments falling into the current financial year.
2. Current year's GST payments on purchase were \$0.3 million (15.3%) higher than last year, mainly due to the timing of the grant payments falling into the current period.

## 18. Financial instruments and contingencies

### 18.1 Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts of each of the following categories of financial assets and financial liabilities at the end of the reporting period are:

|  | 2026<br>\$ | 2025<br>\$ |
|--|------------|------------|
|--|------------|------------|

#### Financial Assets

|                               |                   |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents     | 13,181,756        | 13,027,407        |
| Receivables <sup>(a)</sup>    | -                 | -                 |
| <b>Total financial assets</b> | <b>13,181,756</b> | <b>13,027,407</b> |

#### Financial liabilities

|                                               |                   |                   |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Payables and other liabilities <sup>(b)</sup> | 13,338,752        | 14,018,101        |
| <b>Total financial liabilities</b>            | <b>13,338,752</b> | <b>14,018,101</b> |

(a) The amount of receivables excludes GST recoverable and other statutory receivables from the ATO.

(b) The amount of payables excludes amounts payable to the ATO.

### 18.2 Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

There were no known contingent liabilities and contingent assets at reporting date and at the date of signing the financial report.

## Organisations Funded in 2025-26

### Healthy Partnership Program

| Organisation Name                            | Project Title                                                        | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Alcohol and Drug Foundation Inc              | Good Sports Whole of Sport Project                                   | \$210,000                 |
| Alkimos Rugby League Club Inc                | ARLC Healthy Club Upgrade                                            | \$4,000                   |
| Art Gallery of Western Australia             | Gallery 09: Participatory Engagement and Wellbeing Program 2025-2027 | \$245,000                 |
| Art Jam WA Pty Ltd                           | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2026-2027          | \$53,480                  |
| Artistic Swimming WA Inc                     | ArtSwimActive!                                                       | \$35,000                  |
| Arts Toodyay Inc                             | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2026-2027          | \$24,555                  |
| Athletics West Ltd                           | Fuel to Go & Play with Athletics West                                | \$170,000                 |
| Avon Valley Arts Society Inc                 | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2026-2027          | \$20,650                  |
| Balga Soccer and Social Club Inc             | Healthy Soccer Club Upgrade                                          | \$3,672                   |
| Baseball WA Ltd                              | Baseball WA Healthy Environment Program                              | \$200,000                 |
| Big Hart Inc                                 | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2026-2027          | \$74,470                  |
| Black Swan State Theatre Company Ltd         | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026          | \$76,500                  |
| Breakers WA Swim Club Inc                    | Building a Legacy of Performance Nutrition                           | \$2,000                   |
| Breaksea Inc                                 | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026          | \$76,500                  |
| Bunbury Car Club                             | Naming Rights Partnership – Bunbury Speedway                         | \$30,000                  |
| Bunbury City Kart Club                       | Girls Race Too                                                       | \$20,000                  |
| Busselton Masters Swimming Club Inc          | Swim For Health 2026                                                 | \$3,650                   |
| Calisthenics Association of WA Inc           | Calisthenics Development Program                                     | \$25,000                  |
| Canning Vale College                         | CVC Performing Arts Troupe                                           | \$5,000                   |
| Catch Music Inc                              | Community Music Program 2026-2028                                    | \$177,880                 |
| Chinese Dance Australia Inc                  | Healthy Bites & Rhythms Family School Holiday Program 2026           | \$5,000                   |
| City of Armadale                             | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2026-2027          | \$39,348                  |
| City of Melville                             | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026          | \$76,500                  |
| Collie Racing Drivers' Association Inc       | Collie Speedway                                                      | \$15,000                  |
| Collie Racing Drivers' Association Inc       | Rev Up Your Health - Collie Speedway Rebrand 2026-2028               | \$25,000                  |
| Community Arts Network Western Australia Ltd | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026          | \$76,500                  |

# Organisations Funded in 2025-26

## Healthy Partnership Program

| Organisation Name                                   | Project Title                                                         | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Community Arts Network Western Australia Ltd        | Now Sounds Katanning 2025-2026                                        | \$156,000                 |
| Constable Care Child Safety Foundation Inc          | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026           | \$76,500                  |
| Contemporary Dance Company of Western Australia Ltd | CONNECT Program 2026-2027                                             | \$101,200                 |
| Country Football WA Inc                             | Thriving Communities                                                  | \$300,000                 |
| Country Football WA Inc                             | Country Football Wellbeing Program                                    | \$344,400                 |
| Curate Arts Inc                                     | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026           | \$61,500                  |
| Curtin University American Football Club Inc        | Curtin Saints Healthy Habits Program                                  | \$2,000                   |
| DADAA Ltd                                           | Mental Health Arts Program 2026-2027                                  | \$155,050                 |
| Dampier Junior Soccer Club Inc                      | Fuel for the Field                                                    | \$4,000                   |
| Ellenbrook Cultural Foundation Inc                  | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026           | \$76,500                  |
| Enable WA Inc                                       | Sail Into Life Program                                                | \$25,000                  |
| Fair Game Australia Ltd                             | Healthy & Resilient in the Outback - Midwest, Gascoyne & Goldfields   | \$191,600                 |
| Football West Ltd                                   | Kicking off Healthy Clubs                                             | \$310,000                 |
| FORM Building a State of Creativity Ltd             | Creative Schools 2026-2027                                            | \$82,500                  |
| Fremantle Surf Life Saving Club Inc                 | Youth Post Training Breakfast                                         | \$2,000                   |
| Garnduwa Amboorny Wirnan Aboriginal Corporation     | Kimberley Active Communities Program                                  | \$200,000                 |
| Geraldton Sporting Aboriginal Corporation           | Midwest Active Sports Program 2026-2028                               | \$153,500                 |
| Glass Jar Australia Ltd                             | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2026-2027           | \$79,974                  |
| Golf Western Australia Inc                          | Golf Makes Life Better, Crunch&Sip Makes Life Healthier               | \$100,000                 |
| Gymnastics Western Australia Inc                    | Creating Healthy and Connected Communities Through Movement 2025-2026 | \$160,000                 |
| Gymnastics Western Australia Inc                    | Creating Healthy and Connected Communities Through Movement 2027-2028 | \$200,000                 |
| Hamersley Rovers Junior FC Inc                      | Hamersley Rovers Junior FC Healthy Choices Initiative                 | \$2,000                   |
| Ironstone Adventure Riding Club Inc                 | IARC Annual Activities Program                                        | \$15,000                  |
| Judo Broome Inc                                     | Judo and Healthy Food                                                 | \$2,000                   |
| Judo Western Australia Inc                          | Judo WA Schools, Clubs and Youth Development Program                  | \$48,000                  |
| Katanning & Districts Pony Club                     | Healthy Kitchen Upgrade                                               | \$4,000                   |

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## Healthy Partnership Program

| Organisation Name                                | Project Title                                                            | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Kimberley Arts Network Inc                       | Arty Crafty Community Art Program 2026                                   | \$5,000                   |
| Kununurra Waringarri Aboriginal Corporation      | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2026-2027              | \$77,000                  |
| Kwinana Athletics Centre Inc                     | Healthy Canteen Upgrade                                                  | \$3,000                   |
| Literature Centre Inc                            | Creative Pathways to Wellbeing 2026-2027                                 | \$138,000                 |
| Makers Community Development Inc                 | YOH Fest 2026-2027                                                       | \$124,000                 |
| Mandurah Performing Arts Inc                     | Arts & Health Program 2026-2028                                          | \$210,000                 |
| Masters Swimming Western Australia Inc           | Community Reach 2026-2027                                                | \$40,000                  |
| Meerilinga Children and Community Foundation Inc | Arts, Books and Connection for Parents 2026-2028                         | \$180,680                 |
| Mirrabooka Squash Club Inc                       | Healthy Canteen Rejuvenation                                             | \$1,600                   |
| Motorcycling Western Australia Inc               | Championship and Development Program                                     | \$50,000                  |
| Mt Barker Amateur Swimming Club Inc              | Mt Barker ASC Healthy Eating Program                                     | \$2,000                   |
| Nature Play WA Inc                               | Nature Play in the Park: Creative Connections 2026-2028                  | \$496,430                 |
| Netball WA Inc                                   | Major Partner of Netball WA 2025-2026                                    | \$275,000                 |
| Netball WA Inc                                   | Elite Partner - West Coast Fever                                         | \$310,000                 |
| Ngurra Kujungka Inc                              | Ngurra Kujungka Martu School Holiday Programs and the Martu Festival     | \$100,000                 |
| Paddle Western Australia Inc                     | Paddling - Get Out There                                                 | \$48,000                  |
| Perth Heat Baseball Pty Ltd                      | Perth Heat - Healthy Families                                            | \$55,000                  |
| Rebound WA Inc                                   | All Access Sport and Recreation Program                                  | \$50,000                  |
| Royal Life Saving Society WA Inc                 | Regional and Remote Aboriginal Communities Swimming & Lifesaving Program | \$180,000                 |
| Sailability WA Inc                               | Supported Sailing Program 2026-2028                                      | \$45,000                  |
| Seniors' Recreation Council of WA Inc            | Healthy Ageing Through Activity                                          | \$50,000                  |
| Shire of Carnarvon                               | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026              | \$76,500                  |
| Shire of East Pilbara                            | Community Active Living Program                                          | \$39,000                  |
| Shire of Pingelly                                | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2026-2027              | \$75,000                  |
| Softball Western Australia Inc.                  | Healthy Sport Initiative                                                 | \$60,000                  |
| South Shore Swimming Club Inc                    | Healthy Swimming Club Initiative                                         | \$1,750                   |
| Southern Districts Netball Association           | Healthy Netball Association Program                                      | \$4,000                   |
| Southern Edge Arts Inc                           | Performing Arts Participation Program 2026-2027                          | \$125,000                 |

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| Speedway Motorcycle Club WA Inc                          | Speedway Motorcycle Club WA Racing Season          | \$15,000                  |
| Squash Rackets Association of Western Australia Inc      | Squash WA Junior Development Program               | \$52,000                  |
| Stephen Michael Foundation Ltd                           | Active Horizons                                    | \$225,000                 |
| Surf Life Saving Western Australia Inc                   | Surf Life Saving WA Summer Surf Sports Season      | \$150,000                 |
| Surfing Western Australia Inc                            | Surfing WA Annual Programs and Events              | \$205,000                 |
| Swimming WA Inc                                          | Swimming WA & Healthway Partnership                | \$170,000                 |
| Theatre Kimberley Inc                                    | Kimberley Youth Program 2026-2027                  | \$70,665                  |
| Thornlie and Districts Swimming Club                     | Nourishing Meals for Swimmers                      | \$2,000                   |
| Touch Football Australia Ltd                             | Fun & Tap Programs                                 | \$90,000                  |
| Triathlon Western Australia Inc                          | Fuelling Future Champions                          | \$90,000                  |
| University of Western Australia                          | SEW-Arts: Building Sustainable Capacity 2026       | \$47,225                  |
| Victoria Park Xavier Hockey Club Inc                     | Healthy Bites for Hockey                           | \$4,000                   |
| W.A. Disabled Sports Association                         | Wellbeing for All                                  | \$250,000                 |
| Water Polo Western Australia Inc                         | Water Polo WA Partnership                          | \$45,000                  |
| Wembley Lacrosse Club                                    | Healthy Canteen Revamp                             | \$4,000                   |
| West Australian Football Commission Inc                  | WA Football Commission Partnership Program         | \$480,000                 |
| Westcycle Inc                                            | Connecting Communities Group                       | \$154,050                 |
| Western Australian Amateur Football League Inc           | Harnessing Footy for Stronger Communities          | \$126,000                 |
| Western Australian Basketball Federation Inc             | Fuelling Champions Program                         | \$370,000                 |
| Western Australian Cricket Association Ltd               | Think Mental Health Campaign Integration           | \$550,000                 |
| Western Australian Diving Association Inc                | Diving in WA 2026-2028                             | \$40,000                  |
| Western Australian Hockey Association                    | Hockey for Health Program                          | \$225,000                 |
| Western Australian Recreational and Sportfishing Council | Recfishwest Fishing Clinic Program                 | \$60,000                  |
| Western Australian Rugby Union                           | Rugby for Life Project                             | \$165,000                 |
| Western Australian Tennis Association Inc                | Tennis West & Healthway Partnership Plan 2024-2026 | \$200,000                 |
| Western Australian Volleyball Association                | Volleyball WA Annual Partnership                   | \$170,000                 |
| Western Australian Youth Theatre Company Inc             | Drama Hubs Plus                                    | \$36,160                  |
| Western Flames Ice Racing Club Inc                       | Healthy Fuel for Skating Program                   | \$2,000                   |

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| Organisation Name                                          | Project Title                                               | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Westnam United Soccer Club Inc                             | 2025 LiveLighter Perth Asian Community Soccer Cup           | \$4,995                   |
| Wheatbelt Arts & Events Inc                                | Ballardong Moorditj 2026-2028                               | \$285,200                 |
| Wyndham Youth Aboriginal Corporation                       | Creativity and Wellbeing for Young People Program 2025-2026 | \$49,100                  |
| Yirra Yaakin Aboriginal Corporation                        | Theatre Program 2026-2027                                   | \$61,500                  |
| YMCA of Western Australia Youth and Community Services Inc | Y-Create 2026-2028                                          | \$150,000                 |
|                                                            |                                                             | \$11,918,284              |

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| Organisation Name                                            | Project Title                                                                                         | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Alkimos Primary School Parents and Citizens' Association Inc | Alkimos Flourish: A Whole-School Foundation for Mental Wellbeing and Community Connection             | \$5,000                   |
| Amity Health Ltd                                             | No one left hungry! Place-based, community-led regional WA initiatives to ensure healthy food for all | \$200,000                 |
| Attadale Primary School                                      | The Resilience Project                                                                                | \$5,000                   |
| Australian Council on Smoking and Health                     | ACOSH Tobacco Control Advocacy Services 2024-2027                                                     | \$500,005                 |
| Australian Council on Smoking and Health                     | A Critical Window for Tobacco Control Reform                                                          | \$180,000                 |
| Australian Health Promotion Association Ltd                  | WA Branch Health Promotion Scholarship Program 2026-2027                                              | \$368,426                 |
| Beeliar Primary School                                       | The Good Morning Club                                                                                 | \$5,000                   |
| Befriend Inc                                                 | Vital Village Networks: Growing healthy, supportive community networks for families in Wanneroo       | \$84,810                  |
| Belmont City College                                         | On the Move: Ride & Thrive Program                                                                    | \$5,000                   |
| Bibra Lake Primary School                                    | nom! Kids                                                                                             | \$4,317                   |
| Borden Primary School                                        | Mental Health and Wellness                                                                            | \$5,000                   |
| Bramfield Park Primary School                                | Growing Healthy Eating Habits at Bramfield Park Primary School with Food Ladder                       | \$5,000                   |
| Camboon Primary School                                       | Loose Parts Play                                                                                      | \$5,000                   |
| Cancer Council Victoria                                      | Food for Health Alliance                                                                              | \$150,000                 |
| Cancer Council Western Australia Inc                         | Advocacy Services for Increasing Healthy Eating and Reducing Harm from Alcohol                        | \$835,000                 |
| Cancer Council Western Australia Inc                         | Clear the Air                                                                                         | \$205,278                 |
| Cancer Council Western Australia Inc                         | Crunch & Sip Nutrition Education Project                                                              | \$475,475                 |

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Cancer Council Western Australia Inc                               | Cancer Council Western Australia - Make Smoking History                            | \$850,882                 |
| Cancer Council Western Australia Inc                               | Clear the Air Campaign and supportive activities - Wave 3                          | \$665,769                 |
| Cannington Community Education Support Centre                      | Connect and Calm Framework                                                         | \$5,000                   |
| Carey Park Primary School                                          | nom! kids at Carey Park Primary School                                             | \$4,948                   |
| Carnamah District High School                                      | CDHS - Healthy Schools                                                             | \$4,100                   |
| Carnarvon Community College                                        | Mooditj Program                                                                    | \$4,740                   |
| Carson Street School                                               | Cycle For Life                                                                     | \$4,913                   |
| City of Armadale                                                   | Smoke and Vape Free Zones in Armadale                                              | \$30,000                  |
| Clarkson Community High School                                     | Mental Health and Healthy Choices                                                  | \$4,740                   |
| Clifton Hills Primary School Parents and Citizens' Association Inc | Healthy Futures: Life Ed Nutrition Program                                         | \$4,880                   |
| Cooloongup Primary School                                          | The Wellbeing Coop: Supporting Emotional Regulation in K-6 Students                | \$4,279                   |
| Curtin University                                                  | Act Belong Commit for a mentally healthy Western Australia: Phase VIII (2026-2028) | \$240,000                 |
| Dawson Park Primary School                                         | Second Step SEL                                                                    | \$4,900                   |
| Dianella Secondary College                                         | Healthy Study Skills Club                                                          | \$4,700                   |
| East Fremantle Primary School                                      | East Fremantle Primary School Whole School Physical Literacy Project               | \$3,028                   |
| Edith Cowan University                                             | Implementing local government policies to restrict unhealthy food advertising      | \$142,909                 |
| Edith Cowan University                                             | Nurturing Healthy Futures                                                          | \$541,591                 |
| Foodcore Nutrition Services Inc                                    | Foodcore Early Years Support pilot project                                         | \$118,805                 |
| Forrestfield Primary School P & C Association Inc                  | WHOLE SCHOOL KIDDO All-In Physical Literacy Program                                | \$5,000                   |
| Geographe Education Support Centre                                 | KIDDO - FMS programme                                                              | \$4,000                   |
| Girls Friendly Society                                             | Permaculture Partnerships Program                                                  | \$5,000                   |
| Glendale Primary School                                            | Mental Health and Wellbeing                                                        | \$4,374                   |
| Gwynne Park Education Support Centre                               | GPESC Healthway Healthy Schools Project                                            | \$4,620                   |
| Hammond Park Secondary College                                     | College Initiative for Student Regulation and Engagement                           | \$3,000                   |
| Hampton Park Primary School                                        | KIDDO - FMS program                                                                | \$5,000                   |
| Henley Brook Primary School                                        | Henley Brook Primary School - Healthy Eating to Play and Learn                     | \$5,000                   |

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| Organisation Name                                            | Project Title                                                                          | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Huntingdale Primary School                                   | Growing Minds Sensory Garden                                                           | \$5,000                   |
| Kakwa Community of Western Australia Inc                     | Active Elders: Building Health and Connection through Movement                         | \$17,000                  |
| Katanning Senior High School                                 | Promoting healthy eating at Katanning Senior High School                               | \$5,000                   |
| Kellerberrin District High School                            | Moorditj Wirin - Strong Spirit at KDHS                                                 | \$5,000                   |
| Kewdale Primary School Parents and Citizens' Association Inc | Early Learning Nature Play Project                                                     | \$3,258                   |
| Koondoola Primary School                                     | KIDDO FMS program                                                                      | \$5,000                   |
| Koorana Primary School                                       | KIDDO - For Primary Schools                                                            | \$3,000                   |
| Lakeland Senior High School                                  | Food Ladder at Lakeland SHS                                                            | \$5,000                   |
| Leeming Primary School                                       | The Guardian's Garden: Cultivating Health, Culture and Community                       | \$3,500                   |
| Manjimup Education Support Centre                            | Social Emotional Learning program                                                      | \$3,355                   |
| Middle Swan Primary School                                   | Improved Objective Data and Knowledge Will Build Improved Active Living and Behaviours | \$5,000                   |
| Morley Senior High School                                    | Improving Student Health Behaviours around Vaping and the use of E-cigarettes          | \$3,960                   |
| Mount Helena Primary School                                  | Resilience Project                                                                     | \$5,000                   |
| Mount Lawley Senior High School                              | Embedding Student Wellbeing at MLSHS                                                   | \$5,000                   |
| Mukinbudin District High School                              | Wheatbelt Wildlife and Wellbeing Initiative                                            | \$3,070                   |
| Mullaloo Beach Primary School                                | Mullaloo Beach Mindfulness Sensory Garden                                              | \$4,396                   |
| Nannup District High School                                  | NDHS Wellbeing HUB                                                                     | \$5,000                   |
| Newton Moore Education Support Centre                        | nom! Kids at Newton Moore Education Support Centre                                     | \$5,000                   |
| North Morley Primary School                                  | You Can Do It!                                                                         | \$4,190                   |
| Northam Primary School                                       | Health and Wellbeing Supports                                                          | \$3,500                   |
| Pannawonica School                                           | KIDDO Schools Program                                                                  | \$5,000                   |
| Pine View Primary School                                     | Strong minds, Strong culture                                                           | \$5,000                   |
| Pingrup Primary School                                       | Building Balance, Confidence and Active Play at Pingrup Primary School                 | \$5,000                   |
| Port Hedland Primary School                                  | Building Wellbeing Through The Resilience Project                                      | \$5,000                   |
| Port Kennedy Primary School                                  | Healthy Minds Online: Connected, Safe & Resilient in a Digital Age                     | \$5,000                   |
| Ranford Primary School Parents and Citizens' Association Inc | Healthy Choices Canteen Engagement Project                                             | \$5,000                   |

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| Organisation Name                                                  | Project Title                                                                                        | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
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| Sawyers Valley Primary School                                      | Student Mental Health and Emotional Regulation                                                       | \$5,000                   |
| Shorehaven Primary School Parents and Citizens' Association Inc    | Shorehaven Connections: A Whole School Foundation for Mental Wellbeing                               | \$5,000                   |
| South Bunbury Education Support Centre                             | Active Kids                                                                                          | \$5,000                   |
| Southwell Primary School                                           | Southwell Kitchen & Garden Growing Minds Program                                                     | \$4,650                   |
| Swanbourne Primary School                                          | Swanbourne Primary School Community Garden                                                           | \$3,172                   |
| Toodyay District High School Parents and Citizens' Association Inc | Healthy Hearts, Healthy Minds                                                                        | \$5,000                   |
| University of Western Australia                                    | KIDDO - Developing the physical literacy of ALL children                                             | \$291,681                 |
| Urbaqua Ltd                                                        | Optimising Public Health Planning: Pilot Testing the Thriving Perth Portal for Healthier Communities | \$220,114                 |
| Useless Loop Primary School                                        | Healthy Lunch at the Loop                                                                            | \$3,000                   |
| Vasse Primary School                                               | KIDDO Physical Literacy Program                                                                      | \$5,000                   |
| Waddington Primary School                                          | Learning Outside: Active, Culturally Responsive Outdoor Classrooms                                   | \$5,000                   |
| West Balcatta Primary School                                       | Healthy Eating at West Balcatta Primary School                                                       | \$5,000                   |
| Western Australia Chinese Senior Association Inc                   | Playing Together: Table Tennis - Physical and Mental Health for Chinese Seniors                      | \$4,980                   |
| Westminster Primary School                                         | The Haven                                                                                            | \$4,400                   |
| White Gum Valley Primary School                                    | Building Resilient Minds                                                                             | \$5,000                   |
| Woodbridge Primary School                                          | The Calm Cove                                                                                        | \$ 4,889                  |
| Woodlands Primary School Parents and Citizens' Association Inc     | The Resilience Project                                                                               | \$4,290                   |
| Yule Brook College                                                 | Healthy Life Healthy Minds                                                                           | \$5,000                   |
| Yuluma Primary School                                              | Animal Fun                                                                                           | \$3,515                   |
|                                                                    |                                                                                                      | \$6,433,409               |

## Healthy Research Program

| Organisation Name         | Project Title                                                               | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Cancer Council Victoria   | Driving Improved Regulation of Infant and Toddler Food Marketing for Health | \$99,509                  |
| Cancer Council Victoria   | Building public support for a floor price for alcohol in WA                 | \$99,970                  |
| Charles Darwin University | Aboriginal Research Training Scholarship – Sharon Lockyer.                  | \$7,500                   |

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| Organisation Name                                              | Project Title                                                                                                                                           | Amount Approved (2025-26) |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Curtin University                                              | A Systematic Review of Positive Youth Development and Mental Health Interventions in Disadvantaged Settings                                             | \$132,203                 |
| Curtin University                                              | Dietary education to improve health and wellbeing for people with severe mental illness using the peer support model                                    | \$41,140                  |
| Curtin University                                              | Crisis to Calm: Delivering a Co-Designed Mental Health Intervention for Young People in WA                                                              | \$192,941                 |
| Curtin University                                              | Promoting Generation Z Mental Health: Digital Mental Health Literacy and Peer Support                                                                   | \$199,255                 |
| Curtin University                                              | Co-Designing Effective Physical Activity Messaging with Young People                                                                                    | \$99,946                  |
| Curtin University                                              | Alcohol and other drugs, mental health and sexual health in 'partygoing' youth in regional WA                                                           | \$99,489                  |
| Curtin University                                              | Nicotine Pouches in WA: Availability, Composition and Youth Appeal                                                                                      | \$99,954                  |
| Deakin University                                              | Nurturing Relational Health in Australian Aboriginal Children and Young People                                                                          | \$13,000                  |
| South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute Limited | Tracking the Health & Wellbeing Impacts of Australia's Social Media Ban                                                                                 | \$150,000                 |
| University of Notre Dame Australia                             | Policy-relevant monitoring of vape availability via physical stores in WA (Vapes4Sale) - Phase 2                                                        | \$49,857                  |
| University of Sydney                                           | Identifying, implementing and evaluating community-led, placebased health promotion strategies for young Aboriginal people in the remote Fitzroy Valley | \$199,400                 |
| University of Western Australia                                | Co-design of a program supporting paternal involvement in preterm care                                                                                  | \$119,901                 |
| University of Western Australia                                | Measuring and supporting Aboriginal social and emotional wellbeing within primary healthcare                                                            | \$103,515                 |
| University of Western Australia                                | Tharlbarra Maga: Developing a Strong Head, Strong Mind Measure                                                                                          | \$99,936                  |
| University of Western Australia                                | Settings-based policy implementation for happy healthy children - Travelling Research Fellow Hayley Christian                                           | \$10,000                  |
| University of Western Australia                                | Underage and undetected: How WA children are already gambling online                                                                                    | \$99,872                  |
| University of Western Australia                                | Early Steps: A Digital Tool to Support Families with Children Aged 0-5                                                                                  | \$99,970                  |
| University of Western Australia                                | Stepping Back In: Walking Sport for Postpartum Women in Western Australia                                                                               | \$373,655                 |
| Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia                     | Impact Monitoring and Research Project on Social Media Age Restrictions: LGBTIQA+ Young People in Western Australia (6-Month Study)                     | \$50,000                  |
|                                                                |                                                                                                                                                         | \$2,441,013               |

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Image below: Western Australian Youth Theatre Company's  
Perth drama hub.



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