

Question on Notice

No. 1317

Asked on Tuesday, 31 October 2006

MR LINGARD MP asked the Minister for Communities, Disability Services, Seniors and Youth (**MR PITT**)

For 2004-05 and 2005-06, for each department, agency and associated entity of the Department of Communities, will he provide (reported separately) details of (a) the name of each grant funding scheme/program administered (reported separately), (b) the number of applications received and approved for each grant funding scheme/program administered (reported separately), (c) the name and location of each entity which was successful in receiving assistance under each grant funding scheme/program (reported separately), (d) the type of assistance granted to each of the entities who were successful in (c) (reported separately) and (e) the terms, conditions and targets set for each entity to meet and fulfil, as agreed to in receiving the assistance (reported separately)?

ANSWER

For the 2004-05 financial year, the Department of Communities allocated grant funds under the key funding areas of Child Care, Domestic Violence Prevention, Family Support, Older People, Youth Development and Youth Justice. Information relevant to each funding area for that year is as follows:

Child Care funds were provided to 416 school age care service organisations across the state to upgrade equipment and facilities to meet licensing requirements. There were 66 unsuccessful applications.

Domestic Violence Prevention funds provided small one-off grants to 32 organisations across the state to assist them deliver community activities during the annual Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month. There were 34 unsuccessful applications.

Older People funds were provided to 50 organisations to deliver an across-government project to reduce social isolation of older people. There were five unsuccessful applications.

Seniors Week 2005 funds provided small one-off grants to 121 organisations across the state. There were 123 unsuccessful applications under this keenly contested initiative.

Youth Development funds provided 38 small one-off grants to organisations across the state to deliver activities celebrating National Youth Week. There were 52 unsuccessful applications.

Additionally, under this initiative funds were provided to 23 organisations across the state for the ongoing operation of Youth Support Coordinator programs to assist young people at risk of leaving school early. There were 49 unsuccessful applications.

Youth Justice Graffiti Solutions funds provided one-off grants to 13 organisations across the state to assist communities with the impact of graffiti. There were 11 unsuccessful applications.

Youth Crime Prevention funds provided small grants to 19 organisations across the state. There were 34 unsuccessful applications.

Family Support funds were provided to nine organisations for Specialist Family Counselling services. There were six unsuccessful applications.

For the 2005-06 financial year, the Department of Communities allocated grant funds under the key funding areas of Child Care, Domestic Violence Prevention, Family Support, Homelessness, Strengthening Non-Government Organisations, Youth Development and Youth Justice. Information relevant to each funding area for that year is as follows

Child Care funds were provided to 44 services for the establishment of school aged care services, however this initiative was not finalised until the 2006-07 year. There were 79 unsuccessful applications.

Domestic Violence Prevention funded small one-off grants to 23 organisations across the state to assist them deliver community activities during the annual Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month. There were unsuccessful applications from 22 organisations.

Strengthening Non-Government Organisations Building Links funds were provided to 30 organisations across the state to assist them to develop proposals for collaborative projects for specific community support purposes. There were 34 unsuccessful applications.

Referral for Active Intervention funds were provided to 10 organisations across the state to deliver intensive support to families at risk of entering statutory systems. There were 73 unsuccessful applications.

Homelessness funds were provided for the Lady Bowen Centre in Brisbane to provide crisis accommodation and support to homeless people. Expressions of interest came from seven organisations, with four organisations being short-listed and two organisations submitting responses to the select tender request.

Youth Development funded 71 small one-off grants to organisations across the state to deliver activities to celebrate National Youth Week. There were unsuccessful applications from 61 organisations.

Youth Development funds were provided to five organisations for activities in the statewide Schoolies Week.

Youth Crime Prevention funds provided small grants to 31 organisations across the state. There were 19 unsuccessful applications.

Older People funds were provided for the trial of the Respite for Grandparents Program. One organisation was selected in a negotiated tender for the trial.

Information on how to access grants, the conditions of funding and details of each funding initiative is publicly available on www.communities.qld.gov.au

Recipients of grants are a matter of public record and reporting this large quantity of data by location would require diverting staff from operational duties.