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Funding boost creating safer streets around WA schools

- The Cook Labor Government has allocated \$225,000 in road safety grants across Western Australia
- The Streets Alive grants project will help build community-led innovative road safety initiatives
- Part of the Cook Labor Government's focus on keeping WA's growing community safe

The Cook Labor Government has awarded \$225,251.60 in seed funding for 24 community-based projects that will help build innovative road safety ideas over the 2026/2027 financial year.

The Streets Alive grants will help slow down traffic and make local streets more people-friendly, and focus on road safety for all ages, including young pedestrians walking to school.

Streets Alive is a community-led funding program delivered by the Town Team Movement (now known as Doing Co), Main Roads WA and the WA Local Government Association.

One of the successful recipients, Coogee Primary School, has been facing ongoing road safety challenges with growing enrolments. Their 'Streets Alive' project will explore traffic calming ideas through community workshops, and pilot new signage.

The safety of school students was also top of mind for successful applicants researching projects near:

- Beaconsfield Primary School
- Yangebup Primary School
- Dianella Primary College
- Kerry Street Community School in Hamilton Hill
- Richmond Primary School in East Fremantle
- Bicton Primary School
- East Victoria Park Primary School
- Quinns Rocks Primary School
- Ellenbrook Secondary College

Regional areas are also a focus, with seven projects awarded grants up to \$10,000. These included two in the Great Southern, two in Peel, one in Mid-West, one in the Wheatbelt and one in the Gascoyne region.

This round of stream 1 grants are up to \$10,000 and provide funding to build the capability of communities to design innovative, low cost street interventions and education.

Grants of up to \$100,000 for stream 2 projects will provide funding for changes to the street environment that are collaboratively designed and installed.

Applications for stream 2 grants open on Monday 3 August and close Friday 11 September 2026.

The Streets Alive program has received \$5 million in funding over five years and has attracted strong community interest, with more than \$7.6 million in funding requests received.

Over the past two years, more than \$2 million has been awarded to 136 endorsed projects, engaging over 6,200 volunteers in road safety initiatives across Western Australia.

Comments attributed to Road Safety Minister Reece Whitby:

“Road safety projects at a grassroots level are very effective. They involve local people delivering behaviour change on Western Australian roads.

“Thank you to all schools who have been successful in receiving grants and for taking the time to apply.

“The Cook Labor Government is committed to building safe communities and that includes the roads in our local neighbourhoods, particularly around schools.”

Comments attributed to Local Government Minister Hannah Beazley:

“The success of these types of projects shows what’s possible when local communities collaborate and decide what is going to work best in their neighbourhood.

“The strong community interest in this program demonstrates that people really care about their communities, particularly when it comes to safety.”

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