

# DOING WHAT MATTERS FOR THE SUNSHINE COAST

REGIONAL ACTION PLAN QUEENSLAND BUDGET 2024-25



The 2024-25 Queensland Budget supports Queenslanders. On the Sunshine Coast it provides:

**\$1,300**

**electricity bill support** for Queensland households – an upfront \$1,000 Cost of Living Rebate from the Queensland Government and a \$300 rebate paid in quarterly instalments from the Australian Government.

**\$1.8B**

**for health** for the Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service.

**\$65M**

**for education** to maintain, improve and upgrade schools on the Sunshine Coast.

**\$1.3B**

**for the Big Build** for productivity-enhancing infrastructure and capital works, estimated to support **3,500** jobs on the Sunshine Coast.

## Delivering for the SUNSHINE COAST



### Free Kindy

Up to 4,252 children eligible for free kindy on the Sunshine Coast, for 15 hours per week, 40 weeks per year.

(January 2024 to May 2024)



### Fee-Free TAFE

6,031 fee-free TAFE courses commenced by people on the Sunshine Coast wanting to train, retrain or upskill in priority industries.

(January 2023 to March 2024)



### Skilling Queenslanders for Work

\$75.1 million allocated to develop skills and provide training to 9,478 people on the Sunshine Coast, including 6,233 people who are now employed

(July 2015 to April 2024)



### First Home Owner Grant

5,339 grants worth \$90.3 million paid to home buyers to help them buy their first home on the Sunshine Coast .

(July 2016 to April 2024)

## Delivering better services for the SUNSHINE COAST

Growth from March 2015 to March 2024



1,484 extra nurses, **up 103.5%**



567 extra teachers, **up 19.2%**

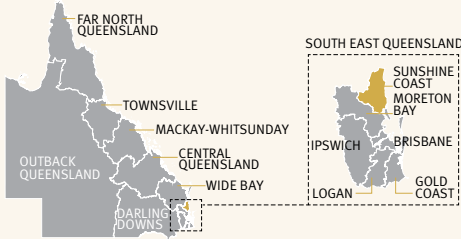


474 extra doctors, **up 93.9%**



109 extra ambulance officers, **up 35.7%**

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For an even more extensive list of initiatives, see the Budget Map

## 1 Lake Macdonald Dam improvement project



\$71.4 million in 2024-25 to commence construction on the Lake Macdonald Dam improvement project. The project involves strengthening the dam's foundation, building a new concrete spillway and reconstructing the existing earth embankments. Once complete, the project will ensure the dam meets modern engineering standards and continues to operate safely during extreme weather events, enhancing water security for the Noosa and Sunshine Coast regions.

## 2 Palmview State Secondary College



\$15.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$105.9 million total spend to deliver the new Palmview State Secondary College. Stage 1 of the new school opened in 2023 and provided administration, science, junior learning, hospitality and food services centres, and a multi-purpose sports hall. The new secondary school will accommodate approximately 1,500 Year 7 to 12 students at the completion of all stages.

## 3 Caloundra South new police facility



\$3.1 million in 2024-25 out of a \$13.5 million total spend to complete the new police facility at Caloundra South. The new police facility has been designed with all the features and specifications needed for a modern policing facility and will accommodate the current staffing levels with room for future growth. This facility will support frontline policing services to deliver safe and secure communities and build a safer Queensland.

## 4 Glass House Mountains Road (Steve Irwin Way), widen existing pavement



\$15.6 million in 2024-25 out of a \$38 million total spend towards widening the existing pavement on Glass House Mountains Road (Steve Irwin Way). Works include shoulder widening, roadside hazard treatments and intersection auxiliary lane treatments. Part of the Australian Government Road Safety Program, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

## 5 Community Safety Plan - Youth Co-Responder Expansion Sunshine Coast



\$1.4 million in 2024-25 out of a \$2.8 million total spend to establish new Youth Co-Responder teams on the Sunshine Coast. This forms part of an investment of \$11.2 million over two years statewide to continue to deliver and expand the youth co-responder model to deal with or divert high risk young people. Seven additional staff will be employed on the Sunshine Coast to deliver co-responder services. The co-responder team will provide after-hours support for at-risk youth, addressing incidents, and the addressing community's need for proactive youth support services and intelligence. Youth co-responders will contribute to community safety by focusing on preventing youth crime before it occurs. Part of the Youth Co-Responder Expansion.

## 6 Social housing



\$30.8 million in 2024-25 to expand and improve social housing. Social housing provides safe, secure, and sustainable homes to some of the most vulnerable people in Queensland. The Queensland Government has set a social housing delivery target of 53,500 homes by 2046 as part of Homes for Queenslanders. Investment into new social housing will help to address demand as the state grows, reduce pressure on homelessness services, and provide more housing choices for individuals and families.



## Sunshine Coast Rail on track to transform regional transport


The planned Direct Sunshine Coast Rail Line will transform travel around the Sunshine Coast, outpacing the peak-hour commute to Brisbane by 45 minutes. The rail line will better connect residents of the Sunshine Coast, Moreton Bay and Brisbane to housing, jobs, study, health services and key tourist destinations.


The 37km dual-track infrastructure will be built in a staged approach, to be jointly funded by the Queensland Government and the Australian Government.


The Queensland Government has committed \$2.75 billion to deliver the first-stage extension of the rail line from Beerwah to Caloundra by 2032, pending matched funding from the Australian Government. Stage 1 will feature 19km of track, including 7km of elevated rail on viaducts and 10 bridges. The Queensland Government will also protect the complete corridor through to Maroochydore, to enable subsequent development of additional stages.


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 **Pomona/Cooroy and District Australian Football Club**  
\$197,029 in 2024-25 out of a \$218,921 total spend to upgrade lighting to support Australian football at Pomona. Part of Activate! Queensland.


 **Coolum Eco Industrial Park**  
\$25.4 million in 2024-25 out of a \$373 million total spend for planning and development of Stage 2 Coolum Eco Industrial Park to provide industrial land supply and support economic development on the Sunshine Coast.


 **Yandina State School**  
\$7.3 million in 2024-25 out of a \$13.3 million total spend to deliver a new hall facility.

 **Burnside State High School**  
\$5.6 million in 2024-25 out of a \$17.4 million total spend to deliver a new performing arts facility.


 **Kawana Waters Surf Life Saving Club**  
\$217,000 in 2024-25 out of a \$350,000 total spend to construct amenities to support surf life saving at Buddina. Part of Activate! Queensland.


 **Brisbane 2032 Sunshine Coast venues**  
\$20.1 million in 2024-25 out of a \$304 million total spend to upgrade the Sunshine Coast Stadium, Sunshine Coast Mountain Bike Centre and to build a new Sunshine Coast Indoor Sports Centre. Part of the Brisbane 2032 Minor Venues Program, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government and the Sunshine Coast Council.


 **Caloundra South new permanent fire and rescue station**  
\$2.3 million in 2024-25 out of a \$8.5 million total spend to complete the new permanent fire and rescue station at Caloundra South.

 **Rebuild Maleny Substation**  
\$3.3 million in 2024-25 out of a \$16.4 million total spend to rebuild the existing Maleny Substation to support the continued provision of safe and reliable electricity to the surrounding community.


 **Maleny Rangers Football Club**  
\$217,000 in 2024-25 out of a \$350,000 total spend to upgrade amenities to support football at Maleny. Part of Activate! Queensland.



 **Beerburrum to Nambour Rail Upgrade (Stage 1)**  
\$115 million in 2024-25 out of a \$1.004 billion total spend towards Beerburrum to Nambour Rail Upgrade (Stage 1). Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.



 **Nicklin Way, Third Avenue extension, new intersection**  
\$2 million in 2024-25 out of a \$11.2 million total spend towards the Third Avenue extension and a new intersection on Nicklin Way. Delivered in partnership with the Sunshine Coast Regional Council.



 **Beerwah replacement permanent fire and rescue station**  
\$2.5 million in 2024-25 out of a \$10 million total spend to commence replacement of the permanent fire and rescue station at Beerwah.



 **Disaster Management Reforms**  
\$30 million in 2024-25 to progress the government's commitment from the Independent Review of Queensland Fire and Emergency Services. Part of the government's Emergency Management Reforms.



 **Disaster Recovery and Reconstruction**  
\$48.2 million in 2024-25 for delivery of recovery and betterment projects to local government assets impacted by disaster events between 2020 and 2024 in the Sunshine Coast region. Part of the joint State/Australian Government Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.



 **Free TAFE Nursing**  
 \$58 million in 2024-25 out of a \$162.6 million total spend to provide 6,500 training places for eligible Queenslanders who are passionate about healthcare to study the Diploma of Nursing for free in 2024 and 2025.



 **Homelessness services**  
 \$232.2 million in 2024-25 to provide essential housing and support services for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.



 **Homes for Queenslanders**  
 \$600,000 in 2024-25 to support improved housing outcomes for people with disability and those experiencing domestic and family violence in Queensland.



 **Integrated Zero Emissions Vehicles charging infrastructure**  
 \$8 million in 2024-25 out of a \$12 million total spend for electric vehicle charging infrastructure and to explore innovative "smart" integration and management of the infrastructure. Part of Queensland's Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy and the National Electric Vehicle Strategy.



 **Police-Citizens Youth Club (PCYC) Caloundra**  
 \$15 million in 2024-25 to construct a PCYC at Caloundra offering youth development programs as well as youth engagement opportunities to prevent crime and target youth offending.



 **Quantum Strategy and Academy**  
 \$27.9 million in 2024-25 out of a \$89.7 million total spend to develop and deliver the whole-of-government Queensland Quantum and Advanced Technologies Strategy and Queensland Quantum Academy.



 **Queensland Fire and Rescue appliances**  
 \$23.8 million in 2024-25 for replacement and new fire and rescue appliances.



 **Queensland Skills Strategy 2024-28**  
 \$96.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$203.1 million total spend to further strengthen the state's training system to deliver skills needed for our economy and provide access to good jobs with better pay for Queenslanders. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

 **Raise, repair and retrofit homes**  
 \$76.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$231 million total spend for eligible homeowners to rebuild, repair or retrofit their homes with flood-resilient design and materials to reduce the impacts of future flood events. Part of the Resilient Homes Fund.

 **Recruitment Drive - additional police personnel**  
 \$25.9 million in 2024-25 out of a \$87.5 million total spend to support the recruitment of additional police personnel.

 **Saving Queensland's koalas**  
 \$7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$31.3 million total spend to extend and accelerate conservation of koalas in South East Queensland.

 **South East Queensland Liveability Fund**  
 \$85 million in 2024-25 out of a \$200 million total spend to support South East Queensland local government projects that create liveable, creative, sustainable and healthy communities. Part of the South East Queensland City Deal, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government and the Council of Mayors - South East Queensland.

 **Youth Co-Responder Teams**  
 \$6.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$20.4 million total spend to deliver and expand the youth co-responder model to divert high risk young people, including those on bail, and those subject to electronic monitoring. Part of the government's Youth Justice Investment.

## Project key

-  Community wellbeing
-  Utilities
-  Health
-  Education
-  Statewide/region-wide
-  Transport and roads
-  Justice and safety
-  Government services
-  Recreation and culture
-  Relates to government election commitment

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QUEENSLAND BUDGET 2024-25

## QUEENSLAND COST OF LIVING ACTION

### AT A GLANCE

Total concessions including cost-of-living relief measures available in 2024-25	<b>\$11.2B</b>	Total Big Build over 4 years	<b>\$107.3B</b>
Total health funding in 2024-25	<b>\$28.9B</b>	Jobs supported by the Big Build program in 2024-25	<b>72,000</b>
Community Safety Plan for Queensland	<b>\$1.3B</b>	Percentage of Big Build spend outside of greater Brisbane in 2024-25	<b>68.5%</b>
Putting Queensland Kids First Plan	<b>\$502M</b>	Total capital investment to support the Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan over 4 years	<b>\$26B</b>
Homes for Queenslanders	<b>\$3.1B</b>		
Investment in school and early education facilities	<b>\$1.3B</b>		

Everyone is feeling cost-of-living pressures. Find support to manage household costs including bills, transport, housing, health care and education. In tough times, every little bit helps.

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