

## Alcohol & Other Drugs

*The sector has been calling for flexible services that support people with intersecting needs and are designed in partnership with service users to support practical approaches to self-determination. It is hoped that the recently announced new Office of Alcohol and Other Drugs will lead a strategic response towards Alcohol and other Drug commissioning, planning and policy and more urgently needed investment.*

<b>Initiative</b>	Broome Sobering Up Centre (BP2, V1, P340) (BP2, V1, P333) (BP3, P218)
<b>Investment</b>	\$10.7 million over three years.
<b>Description</b>	Towards the establishment of a new 26-bed Sobering Up Centre within the Broome town centre. The service will be easily accessible for individuals needing a safe environment to sober up.
<b>Implications</b>	We welcome this investment. The community has been calling on the Government to fund a sobering-up service in Broome town since it was closed in 2021 and relocated with reduced capacity. Whilst this is a welcome investment, further support is needed to reduce problematic alcohol use and prevent harmful behaviour.

<b>Initiative</b>	Alcohol Interlock Scheme Treatment Services – ongoing initiative (BP2, V2, P406)
<b>Investment</b>	\$163,000 in 2024-25.
<b>Description</b>	The WA Alcohol Interlock Scheme aims to reduce the road safety risk posed by drink drivers by introducing a mandatory, user pays, performance-based scheme in which alcohol interlock devices provide separation of drinking and driving behaviour.  From the Road Trauma Trust Account. The Road Trauma Trust Account includes a total \$403 million investment. (BP2, V2, P406)
<b>Implications</b>	Funding towards an ongoing initiative.

<b>Initiative</b>	Demit Points Processing – ongoing initiative (BP2, V2, P406)
<b>Investment</b>	\$1.69 million over four years.
<b>Description</b>	From the Road Trauma Trust Account. The Road Trauma Trust Account includes a total \$403 million investment. (BP2, V2, P406)
<b>Implications</b>	Funding towards an ongoing initiative.

## 2024 - 2025 Budget

<b>Initiative</b>	Casuarina Prison Alcohol and Other Drug Unit (BP2, V2, P421, P424)
<b>Investment</b>	\$6.95 million in 2024-25
<b>Description</b>	An election commitment under the Methamphetamine Action Plan. This investment is to support the treatment and rehabilitation of male offenders at Casuarina Prison through the Alcohol and other Drug program. Will fund stage 2 of the Casuarina Prison Expansion, Mallee AOD Rehabilitation Centre. (BP2, V2, P422). (See Justice fact sheet)
<b>Implications</b>	Funding for this unit was allocated in last year's budget to be spent in 2023-24, and we note with disappointment this does not appear to have been spent. However, an additional \$972,000 has been allocated to this important service.

<b>Initiative</b>	Safe Place - Youth Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drug Homelessness Program (BP2, V2, P520).
<b>Investment</b>	\$3.02 million in 2024-25.
<b>Description</b>	Part of the Mental Health Commission strategy, <a href="#">A Safe Place: A Western Australian strategy to provide safe and stable accommodation, and support to people experiencing mental health, alcohol and other drug issues 2020-2025.</a> (See Youth fact sheet)
<b>Implications</b>	Continued investment.

<b>Initiative</b>	Impaired Driving Detection (Alcohol and Drug) (BP2, V2, P406).
<b>Investment</b>	\$4 million over four years.
<b>Description</b>	Announced in 2023-24, the investment will contribute to the RTTA Impaired Driving Detection Program. The initial investment was \$327,000 over 2023-24 period.
<b>Implications</b>	Part of an ongoing initiative.