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Essential New Funding For Riverton Not-For-Profits

Dr Mike Nahan, the Member for Riverton, said additional funding of \$600 million over four years that was provided in this year's Liberal-National Budget will ensure a sustainable not-for-profit sector and deliver a substantial cash injection to this essential sector for the carer and human services they provide.

"The additional funding will enable the Government to support the most disadvantaged and vulnerable in our community," said Dr Nahan.

"These people are some of the lowest paid workers in our community, yet they do some of the hardest work. They are the people who care for: the deaf and blind; children and adults with profound intellectual and physical disabilities; those who have been injured and maimed in accidents; those who suffer debilitating mental illness; and families and children in crisis."

Dr Nahan said the new contracts give the appropriate level of assistance to not-for-profit organisations to allow them to improve the care they provide and continue to deliver quality services across the WA community and especially to the Riverton electorate.

"More than \$490 million over four years has been allocated to provide a funding increase to service agreements with the not-for-profit sector, resulting in an average 25% increase to contracts by 2014-15," said Dr Nahan.

"In order to address the not-for-profit sector's immediate financial needs, \$374 million over four years has been allocated to fund an upfront across-the-board percentage price adjustment of 15% for eligible not-for-profit human services contracts from 1 July 2011."

"The contract variations are subject to confirmation by relevant not-for-profit organisations prior to the adjustment being finalised and payments made. This information is based on eligible contracts currently in place as advised by relevant government agencies and will be finalised throughout July."

Dr Nahan said it is expected that further clarification of other issues, including the eligibility of contracts and other funding arrangements, will be resolved over coming months.

"This process will result in organisations operating in the Riverton electorate receiving a 15% adjustment to the contract value which will be paid in accordance with their established payment schedules under the contracts," Dr Nahan said.

"The Government is changing reporting requirements to make them less onerous and cumbersome for the not-for-profit sector and standardising contracting practices across government agencies."

"The new funding will allow organisations in our local area to improve service delivery for their contracts and ensure the quality of critical services to the WA community provided on behalf of Government."

Listed below are some of the not-for-profit groups that provide services within the Riverton electorate that will be benefitting from the additional funding:

Not for profit group	Additional Funding
Active Foundation	\$4,301,984
Anglicare WA	\$990,293
Australian Red Cross Society	\$798,230
Carers Association of WA	\$155,411
Communicare Inc	\$234,759
i.d.entity.wa	\$2,205,732
Independent Living Centre of WA	\$154,088
Kids are Kids!	\$45,946
Parkinsons WA	\$56,424
Rostrata Family Centre	\$6,071
Silver Chain Nursing Association	\$97,603
South Metropolitan Youth Link	\$260,159
Southern Cross Care	\$738,054
St John of God Health Care	\$287,403
The Scout Association of Australia WA Branch	\$37,124
Uniting Care West	\$1,410,905
WA No Interest Loans Network	\$61,668

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