LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms Fyles to the Minister for Correctional Services:

Youth Justice Diversion and Rehabilitation

1. In 2014/15 \$3.8 million was allocated for youth justice diversion and rehabilitation grants but only \$2.85 million was expended for this purpose. Which organisations and what services were not funded as a result? What was the impact of these funding cuts?

Answer:

The Youth Diversion Grant Program has a two year funding cycle. 2014-15 was the final year of the 2013-15 grant program and all organisations funded in 2013-14 continued being funded in 2014-15 as per their respective funding agreements.

Youth Diversion Grant Program Funding Recipients	2013-14	2014-15	Variance
Barkly Youth Services	\$278,458.92	\$278,458.92	\$0.00
East Arnhem Shire Council	\$112,500.00	\$68,965.00	-\$43,535.00
Groote Eylandt & Milyakburra Youth Development Unit Inc (GEMYDU)	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00	\$0.00
MacDonnell Shire Council	\$97,000.00	\$94,763.00	-\$2,237.00
Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Women's Council Aboriginal Corporation	\$125,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$0.00
Relationships Australia Northern Territory Inc	\$387,211.72	\$374,551.63	-\$12,660.09
Roper Gulf Shire Council	\$215,000.00	\$215,000.00	\$0.00
The Synod of the Diocese of the NT Inc (Anglicare NT)	\$135,000.00	\$105,351.90	-\$29,648.10
Tiwi Islands Shire Council	\$220,000.00	\$220,000.00	\$0.00
Young Mens Christian Association Katherine Inc	\$199,260.00	\$175,155.09	-\$24,104.91
YWCA of Darwin Incorporated	\$538,156.00	\$516,135.00	-\$22,021.00
TOTAL	\$2,467,586.64	\$2,333,380.54	-\$134,206.10

^{*} Variance from 2013-14 to 2014-15 due to carryover of unspent funds by the organisations.

The Rehabilitation Grants budget was uncommitted therefore no organisations were impacted by funding not being allocated. The unallocated grant funding was redirected to assist with the budget challenges in Youth Detention due to the relocation of the Don Dale Detention Centre, additional staffing requirements to support detainees and programs within the Centre.