Round one KCAF grants support crime reduction initiatives in the Kimberley

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- \$664,947 Round one grants funding announced for community-led projects that reduce crime and improve community safety
- Kimberley Community Action Fund part of the McGowan Government's \$40.4 million investment in juvenile justice and wellbeing projects for the Kimberley

A 'right-way' hunting and 'Swimming on Horseback' program are among 11 innovative youth engagement projects awarded funding under Round one of the Kimberley Community Action Fund (KCAF) grants program.

More than \$660,000 funding has been made available to support local initiatives to reduce crime, improve community safety and security, provide engaging activities and places for young people at risk of offending, and enhance community empowerment.

The funding, administered through the Kimberley Development Commission, is available for everything from physical building security and improved lighting, to innovative ways of engaging families to keep kids safe and off the streets at night.

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More information about the KCAF grants program, including guidelines and application details, are available online at https://kdc.wa.gov.au/funding/.

Comments attributed to Regional Development Minister Alannah MacTiernan:

"This scheme gives the community an opportunity to fund ideas to address the complex problem of juvenile offending in the Kimberley.



Hon Alannah MacTiernan MLC

Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Hydrogen Industry "Some projects focus on engaging kids into constructive pathways. Others provide security infrastructure to protect community assets.

"They complement the Operation Shield, the Target 120 and on-country diversion project the WA government has committed to. There is further work being done on other proposals and we are engaging with the Commonwealth for them to contribute."

Comments attributed to Kimberley MLA Divina D'Anna:

"This program focusses strongly on opportunities from our regional community for crime reduction strategies and initiatives.

"I strongly encourage you to discuss your projects with the Kimberley Development Commission and see if Round two of the KCAF grants could be part of implementing your strategy."

Minister's Officer - 6552 6200

Projects supported in the first year of this 2-year funding investment:

Organisation	Project Title	Funding
Shire of Broome	A Sporting Chance	\$86,034
Djarindjin Aboriginal Corporation	Family Empowerment Program	\$78,000
Nyamba Buru Yawuru Ltd	Mayingan Manja (plenty food) for Elders	\$100,000
Wunan Foundation Inc	Swimming the River on Horseback (SRH)	\$100,000
Shire of Wyndham- East Kimberley	Kununurra Disruptive and Protective Hardcover installations	\$49,500
Shire Wyndham- East Kimberley	Wyndham Oval Changerooms security improvements	\$100,000
Shire of Wyndham- East Kimberly	Kununurra CCTV Upgrade	\$26,530
Broome Lotteries House Inc	Centre security project	\$31,454
Purnululu Aboriginal Corporation	School Security and Community Safety	\$11,333