

## 2024-25 Community Stewardship Grants

### Successful grant applications

Total number of grants offered: 54

Total grant funding value: \$7.73 million

#### List of successful large grant applications by Development Commission Region

Region	Project ID	Applicant	Project Title	Project Summary	Grant offered
Goldfields-Esperance	CSGL24007	Shire of Esperance	Esperance Reserves: Revegetation, Remediation and Protection	The Shire has identified 11 reserves requiring restorative actions that are achievable within a three-year timeframe. These reserves exhibit exceptional biodiversity and provide significant cultural values yet are slowly succumbing to degradation. Recent surveys have identified these 11 reserves for prioritization, encompassing a cumulative total of 2775 ha. Works will only be completed within affected areas of the reserves, with the intention of improving ecological resilience to protect the entirety from further degradation. Anticipated actions to be completed include weed and erosion control, fencing, revegetation, track closures, and rubbish removal.	\$65,497
Goldfields-Esperance	CSGL24051	Ravensthorpe Agricultural Initiative Network	Ravensthorpe and Surrounds Land Rehabilitation and Biodiversity Initiative	<p>This project leverages the backlog of landholder expressions of interest to implement extensive revegetation efforts in the Eastern Fitzgerald Biosphere region, focusing on enhancing the native biodiversity. Key objectives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Installing native and salt-tolerant vegetation to mitigate land degradation issues such as wind erosion, salinity, and loss of organic matter.</li> <li>- Rehabilitating properties affected by bushfires.</li> <li>- Protecting and enriching water catchments flowing into the Fitzgerald Biosphere.</li> <li>- Strengthening native biodiversity and habitats for native fauna, including threatened and protected species.</li> </ul> <p>Successful outcomes will safeguard natural resources and enhance the capabilities of farmers and landholders in the region.</p>	\$103,800

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Great Southern	CSGL24004	Torbay Catchment Group Inc	Protecting Critical Weight Range Fauna in Torbay Catchment	<p>Torbay Catchment and its greater surrounds host three EPBC-listed species and critical weight range (CWR) fauna, including the Western Ringtail Possum, black cockatoos, rakali, phascogale, quenda, and Australasian Bittern. Faunal attrition is linked to feral predation, CWR, environmental changes, and low rainfall. As a climate refugia facing WA's driest year on record, managing threats to fauna and habitats is critical. This project will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reduce feral predators through baiting, shooting, and trapping;</li> <li>- Address knowledge gaps via population monitoring, ground surveys, and data analysis;</li> <li>- Protect habitat by installing stock exclusion fencing and revegetation;</li> <li>- Raise awareness through events/ workshops.</li> </ul>	\$211,294
Great Southern	CSGL24012	Oyster Harbour Catchment Group as sponsor for Cat Laws and Wildlife Survival Working Group (CLAWS)	Reducing Roaming Felis Catus	<p>This project will follow existing grants with the continued aim of improving the outcome for wildlife in an increased regional scope. Objectives: the project will provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Education about the damage roaming cats inflict on wildlife.</li> <li>- Lethal feral cat control where we have delivered education over the last 5 years.</li> <li>- Research toxoplasmosis in partnership with UWA on private property and Twin Creeks Conservation Reserve</li> <li>- Subsidies for cat enclosures within the City of Albany</li> </ul> <p>Outcomes: a better-informed community working towards achieving sustainable conservation and biodiversity values, a better understanding of the prevalence of toxoplasmosis, and a reduction of roaming cats.</p>	\$283,239
Great Southern	CSGL24014	Katanning Land Conservation District Committee	Catchment Plans Coming to Life	<p>Addressing 5 of the 6 NRM Framework Priorities, this project is focussed on implementing landholder-driven catchment plans across Katanning. It will see over 142,000 native seedlings planted, 27.7km of environmental fencing erected, a revegetation skills workshop run, and three catchment groups will be supported to deliver their high priority mini projects, building their skills and knowledge to work towards their catchment goals. The project will engage dozens of local farmers, linking them with skilled expertise, to create a better environment and more sustainable farming systems in Katanning.</p>	\$408,392
Great Southern	CSGL24028	Fitzgerald Biosphere Group Inc	Strategic Weed Management in the Bremer Bay region	<p>This project addresses the issue of environmental weeds in Bremer Bay and the lack of resources and capacity to comprehensively manage them. Our objective is to protect our high value environmental assets, particularly the Fitzgerald River National Park, by managing weeds in the conduits leading to them. This project is part of a large-scale longer-term program that capitalises on previous weed control and allows opportunity for consistent follow up control to achieve maximum effect. It involves FBG, Shire of Jerramungup, local contractors, volunteers, landholders and local businesses. Mapping and strategic planning elements will demonstrate cumulative impact and provide future direction.</p>	\$276,533
Great Southern	CSGL24029	South Coast Bushcare Services Inc	Denmark Waterways - Environmental and Cultural Protection	<p>This project will improve the ecosystem health of riparian zones and associated waterways. Vegetation condition and habitat value will be enhanced using non-chemical bush regeneration techniques. Natural regeneration will be supported by prioritising control of Weeds of National Significance, local pest plants and emerging weeds. The capacity, knowledge and skills of the local and broader community will be improved through educational programs and guided walks.</p> <p>The waterways of Denmark are places of abundance and cultural significance where people have gathered for millennia. These diverse ecological corridors are an interface between aquatic and terrestrial eco-systems. These special places need protection.</p>	\$113,036

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Great Southern	CSGL24070	Nowanup Noongar Boodja Ltd	Nowanup Boodja Healthy Country Plan	To develop a Noongar led Healthy Country Plan for Nowanup that enables local Elders who traditionally shared the Country to come together and identify how they want to care for these lands. We aim to link these shared aspirations to a plan of action with measurable cultural and ecological targets that can be implemented with appropriate cultural authority by Noongar Ranger teams.	\$103,170
Great Southern	CSGL24071	North Stirlings Pallinup Natural Resources Inc	Classroom to Paddock: Enriching NSP Culture & Biodiversity	<p>The Classroom to Paddock Project promotes cultural connections and environmental stewardship among the three local schools and landholders in the North Stirlings Pallinup sub-region of WA. The project maintains momentum of current State NRM projects, a gap in funding would be detrimental to progress:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Capitalising on landholder's increased willingness to participate in collaborative revegetation and protective fencing projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Addressing ecological damage from land clearing</li> <li>- Improving soils, waterways, threatened species habitat &amp; corridors with high quality native revegetation</li> </ul> </li> <li>2) Fostering Gnowangerup Aboriginal Corporation partnership: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sharing cultural knowledge</li> <li>- Seed collection services</li> </ul> </li> <li>3) Immersive school programs encouraging environmental cultural and awareness.</li> </ol>	\$445,519
Kimberley	CSGL24067	Rangelands NRM Co-ordinating Group	Dampier Peninsula Fire Working Group Coordination 2025-26	The Dampier Peninsula Fire Working Group is a collaboration of traditional custodians, land managers and other interested parties focused on continual improvement of fire management practices. Particularly, the successful minimisation of devastating large-scale hot wildfires that previously decimated the peninsula annually. The Group's efforts have seen regeneration of Country and pastoral values at landscape-scale through revival of 'cool' right way fire. Formed over 9 years ago, the group is a recognised, and Landcare Australia awarded, example of community driven, indigenous-led efforts for landscape-scale restoration. It is focused on continuation of these unified efforts in the face of further climate challenges.	\$326,074
Perth Metropolitan	CSGL24001	South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare	Urban Wetlands Matter: Community-led Wetland Restoration	This proposal is a multi-faceted project combining the provision of support and capacity building to the SERCUL landcare community with the implementation of three wetland restoration projects. The project sites are the Horley Wetlands, Yule Brook and at the Greater Brixton Street Wetlands. Together they will provide an opportunity to bring the knowledge of researchers into the hands of community landcare practitioners, building capacity for all and improving on-ground outcomes for crucial urban wetland eco-systems.	\$384,900
Perth Metropolitan	CSGL24053	Cockburn Wetlands Education Centre Inc	Thriving Wetlands, Thriving Community	As climate change leads to higher temperatures and reduced rainfall, the Wetlands Centre addresses the urgent needs of local species dependent on our wetlands for survival. This project demonstrates how revegetation, place-making, and strategic planning, using native species, can restore sensitive zones and help local wildlife. While road removal isn't always feasible, promoting positive community behaviours can support events like the movement of nesting turtles. The project focuses on the northeast corner of Bibra Lake Reserve, restoring wetland and dryland areas, creating turtle habitats, and raising community awareness of wetland ecosystems through education.	\$266,300

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South West	CSGL24015	Nature Conservation Margaret River Region Inc	Embedding arum lily control as a social norm	The Arum Lily Blitz began in the Margaret River region in 2019 and over the last five years has successfully engaged nearly 2000 landholders across an area of 23,000 ha in control of arum lily to protect biodiversity, agriculture and landscape values. Arum lily is a very established and widespread weed, and successful control requires a long term, concerted approach. This project will continue the cross-tenure, landscape scale program and will refine the current behaviour change strategy to further embed arum lily control as a social norm in the Margaret River region.	\$368,300
South West	CSGL24044	FAWNA Inc	Supporting FAWNA's wildlife rehabilitation efforts	This project will support FAWNA to determine what Western Australia's inaugural Regional Wildlife Hospital might look like and define a plan acquire a transportable type building/sea container to support its local native wildlife rehabilitation efforts. Currently, there is no dedicated facility for sick and injured endemic wildlife, or for wildlife requiring urgent euthanasia, outside the Perth Metropolitan area. Wildlife admissions have surged due to urban development and tourism expansion, it is imperative that our wildlife receives best-practice humane veterinary care.	\$81,600
South West	CSGL24057	Lower Blackwood Land Conservation District Committee as sponsor for Lower Blackwood Vertebrate Pest Management Group	Feral Pig Focus Next Steps	This project aims to support the Lower Blackwood Vertebrate Pest Management Group (LBVPMG) to work collaboratively with landholders, plantation companies, DBCA, DPIRD, local indigenous groups and local government to continue priority feral pig control work to protect the Scott Coastal Plain. Building on the last 3 years of feral pig monitoring and control work this successful and collaborative framework will see a strategic monitoring and control program implemented to reduce the feral pig impact on this incredibly unique and special region.	\$448,552
Wheatbelt	CSGL24009	Dieback Working Group Inc	Dieback threatens National Heritage listed Lesueur National Park	A newly introduced <i>Phytophthora cinnamomi</i> infestation has been detected close to the National Heritage Listed Lesueur National Park, positioned to spread into the Park if preventative actions aren't taken to contain the disease. The infestation is on Cockleshell Gully Road, an unsealed road 700m north of the Lesueur Tourist Loop entrance. The poor condition of Cockleshell Gully Road presents a significant risk that vehicles will pick up and carry infested mud into the Park. To reduce the threat, a 1km section of road must be sealed. On-ground activities will be complemented by dieback awareness raising through signage, training and events.	\$216,300
Wheatbelt	CSGL24024	Moore Catchment Council	Assisting community stewardship of Moore-River catchment natural assets	This project will support 8 Moore catchment landholders to protect & restore 146ha of farmland at 10 locations which will result in extending the Critically Endangered WA Eucalypt Woodland Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) & Swan Banksia Woodland TEC, and creating habitat for endangered Carnaby's Black Cockatoo. Moore Catchment Council will engage with community, local school children, and Yued Aboriginal community by offering hands-on interesting NRM activities including native planting days, Working on Country opportunities, new drought mitigation resources and workshops, online video films, school insect workshops, fun Moore ecology bingos, and The Last Stand environmental awareness events.	\$376,400
Wheatbelt	CSGL24072	Shire Of Dandaragan	Coastal Recreational Track Management Masterplan implementation stage 1	This project will provide a detailed work plan for the implementation of the Coastal Recreational Track Management Master Plan for the Shires of Coorow, Dandaragan & Gingin. It has become evident that once the Masterplan is completed, more detailed works / implementation plans will be required for each section of the tracks requiring management / installations / closure etc. to ascertain the final implementation costs more accurately.	\$89,250

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Multi-regional Gascoyne, Goldfields- Esperance, Great Southern, Mid West, Kimberley, Peel, Pilbara, South West, Wheatbelt, Statewide, Perth Metropolitan	CSGL24002	WA Landcare Network Inc	Landcare Expertise Exchange (LEE)	The WA Landcare Network will design, develop and host the Landcare Expertise Exchange (LEE), a secure, highly interactive portal within a new website creating a sophisticated and professional shop front where potential ESG investors and corporates can learn more about opportunities to partner with community landcare and sector stakeholders. LEE also provides community members, State Government agencies, research institutions, students, industry and interested individuals with scaled levels of access to information, advice, connection and relationship brokering and resources, extending best available practice for the benefit of the environment. The service will be facilitated by the LEEF (Landcare Expertise Exchange Facilitator).	\$171,930
Multi-regional Gascoyne, Goldfields- Esperance, Great Southern, Mid West, Kimberley, Peel, Pilbara, South West, Wheatbelt, Statewide, Perth Metropolitan	CSGL24033	RegenWA Limited	Make your hectare count: Small Landholder Engagement Program	Western Australia has over 60,000 small landholders (1-100 ha) that cover approximately 650,000 ha of private and rural lifestyle blocks (DPIRD, 2024). Most of the people moving to small landholdings are not from a farming background, are time poor, don't have the equipment or experience and don't gain an income from their lands. This leads to poor economic, environmental and social outcomes, and high turnover rates. This project will support the development of small landers, support staff and contractors to better manage their small landholdings using proven adult/peer-to-peer learning techniques, up-to-date resources and development of self-supportive communities of practice.	\$288,100
Multi-regional Goldfields- Esperance, Great Southern	CSGL24013	Friends of the Fitzgerald River National Park Inc	Fitzgerald Biosphere vegetation research for appropriate fire regimes	Southwestern Australia is experiencing increasing temperatures and rainfall decline, which may reduce the ability of plant species to persist in the context of recurrent fires. Plant populations that only recover through seed germination are particularly vulnerable to short fire-return intervals.  An experienced botanist will use quadrat data to determine plant survival and seed bank development at different ages post-fire. Targeted plant species will be measured for fruit set and seedling recruitment to determine the minimum fire-return interval and climatic conditions amenable for long-term persistence. The data collected will inform future landscape management by DBCA, local Shires and land managers.	\$354,590
Multi-regional Goldfields- Esperance, Great Southern, Mid West, Peel, South West, Wheatbelt, Perth Metropolitan	CSGL24020	BirdLife Australia	Communities Conserving Cockies	Widespread and highly mobile, effective conservation of southwest Australia's three endemic and threatened black-cockatoos requires a big-picture focus to protect critical habitat across the landscape. BirdLife Australia connects communities for crucial conservation activities wherever Baudin's, Carnaby's, and Forest Red-tailed black cockatoos occur, working across boundaries of land tenure, local government, catchment and NRM areas. This project builds an enduring, collaborative framework for conservation, facilitating consistent purpose amongst partners and leveraging shared knowledge to prioritise and deliver effective habitat conservation actions for black cockatoos. Actions taken for these flagship species in southwest WA will also benefit other fauna dependent on healthy, connected habitat.	\$359,370

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Multi-regional Mid West, Wheatbelt	CSGL24023	Yarra Yarra Catchment Management Group Inc	Salinity, Soil Health & Biodiversity in the Spotlight	This project takes a multi-pronged approach to addressing dryland salinity and soil health within the Yarra Yarra Catchment, building on the findings of two recently completed State NRM salinity projects. The project acknowledges that a holistic view of farm management is required to address existing salinity issues, whilst also reducing and preventing future salinity spread. The project will undertake biodiverse saline land revegetation for multiple benefits. The project will also promote regenerative agriculture practices that build soil health and drought resilience, through a variety of extension activities, working with several partners to bring expertise into the region.	\$305,905
Multi-regional Peel, South West	CSGL24040	Peel-Harvey Catchment Council Inc as sponsor for Harvey River Restoration Taskforce Inc	Improving connections in the Yoordinggaap Bilya catchment	"Waterways, their habitats and flora and fauna in south-west WA are the most vulnerable to climate change, due to the steady and long-term decrease in rainfall and streamflow and added population pressures, including increasing demand for water and land development." (Climate change & waterways, 2023).  Working with critical project partners and underpinned by robust science, this project aims to implement & investigate the effectiveness of novel techniques to support future climate resilience of native aquatic species within the mid-lower Yoordinggaap Bilya (Harvey River) system.	\$295,641
Multi-regional Peel, Wheatbelt	CSGL24048	Peel-Harvey Catchment Council Inc	Resilient Farms, Nature & Communities	Creating resilience for farmers will enable them to reduce impacts of a drying climate, including loss of biodiversity, biosecurity threats, vegetation fragmentation and declining soil health. PHCC's Resilient Farms, Nature and Communities project will enable farmers to directly address issues through enhancing their skills, capacity & supporting sustainable management of land resources specific to their needs as well as conserving & recovering biodiversity through on-ground activities. There will be positive local & regional benefits including increasing natural capital and carbon storage, building resilience, improving the water quality of local waterways which flow into the internationally significant Peel-Harvey Estuary.	\$405,790

### List of successful small grant applications by Development Commission Region

Region	Project ID	Applicant	Project Title	Project Summary	Grant offered
Great Southern	CSGS24007	Katanning Land Conservation District Committee	Making Katanning's Farm Dams Multi-Purpose	Dams can be more than just desolate puddles in paddocks. They can be artificial wetlands, stepping stones for wildlife across the landscape, and drought refugia, whilst also improving their water quality and permanence - with benefits for both the environment and agriculture. This project will add four Enhanced Dams to Katanning, helping us to learn how best to convert dams to these multi-purpose systems, and giving confidence and encouragement to other landholders to do the same with their farm dams. On ground works, a field day and extension of learnings will be undertaken in this exciting local project.	\$49,936
Great Southern	CSGS24013	Katanning Land Conservation District Committee	Living Streams Stage 4 - The Finale	Katanning Landcare and community volunteers will finish the vital work carried out over the past decade, bringing Katanning Creek back to life over a four stage Living Streams project. This is Stage 4 - the final 170m length of creek that was heavily modified decades ago into a drain, to be reshaped to a natural creekline form, cleared of weeds and litter, and planted with appropriate fringing vegetation. It will create better habitat for the Snake-Necked Turtle, birds and insects, and improve water quality through nutrient stripping and shading.	\$49,917

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Great Southern	CSGS24022	Amaris Wildlife Sanctuary Inc	“Watering Hope: Cockitroughs for Black Cockatoos”	This grant proposal seeks to support the conservation and recovery of biodiversity at Amaris Wildlife Sanctuary through the installation of cockitubes, which are watering stations designed by the Town of Victoria Park. These watering stations will provide a reliable source of water for roosting cockatoos, helping to support their survival and promote biodiversity. This project aligns with the priority of conserving and recovering biodiversity. Increased access to clean water supports bird survival, especially during hot and dry periods. These Cockitroughs are being installed as part of the Cockatoo Recovery Program	\$8,520
Great Southern	CSGS24028	Green Skills Inc	Tootanellup to Koi-Kyenunu-ruff: Strategic Eco-restoration Stage 2	This project addresses biodiversity decline West of the Stirling Range through wetland restoration, Kwongan bushland protection, Noongar cultural plantings and fauna monitoring as part of eco-restoration. Outcomes: 1) Protection of 107 ha of proteaceous-rich bushland on Geekabee Hill with 4.27 km of fencing. 2) Understorey cultural species planting on a 25 ha Tootanellup eco-restoration site, implementing a cultural engagement plan implementation. 3) Lake Foreshore Revegetation of 8.6ha Anderson Spring farm, west Cranbrook. 4) Implementation of Balijup eco-Sanctuary plan through 4 community engagement fauna monitoring events 5) 5 biodiversity/bushland plans for 5 strategic Cranbrook farms on the West Stirlings macrocorridor transect.	\$47,897
Great Southern	CSGS24029	North Stirlings Pallinup Natural Resources Inc	NSPNR Looking Back to Plan the Future	The project aims to improve strategic planning and evidence-based decision-making by North Stirlings Pallinup Natural Resources Inc by reviewing the organisation’s past projects to enhance the accessibility and usability of natural resource data. After digitization and consolidation of paper records and dispersed mapping files, a 20-year analysis of past projects will then be undertaken to inform strategic planning. This initiative will increase conservation impact by enabling better monitoring and management of natural resources, leading to more effective conservation strategies and outcomes. The project’s success will be measured by enhanced accessibility to project data and a prioritized list of future activities.	\$18,011
Great Southern	CSGS24050	Gnowangerup Aboriginal Corporation	Supporting Reconnection to the Borden Noongar Reserve	The project is focused on supporting Noongar people from the region to return to and reconnect with the Borden Noongar Reserve. Many people from the region have a connection to the reserve although these connections have lain dormant in recent years with access and resourcing major impediments to reconnection. The current project will support Aboriginal ranger groups, under the direction of Elders to deliver land management services including rubbish removal and fire mitigation whilst identifying relevant historical materials. This project will launch the strategies identified by Elders within the Borden Reserve Management Plan finalised in February 2024.	\$23,870
Kimberley	CSGS24047	Environs Kimberley Inc	Growing skills in Kimberley wattleseed resource management	Field days will facilitate experiential learning opportunities for people within the Broome and Bidyadanga communities to engage in sustainable wattleseed harvesting, cleaning, and processing. People will learn how to use specialised equipment being made available in their community and build knowledge about where wattle resources occur on their Country. A publication will build on existing resources and grow available knowledge about Kimberley wattle species.	\$49,860
Peel	CSGS24017	natives wa Inc	Rejuvenate the nursery at Native Plants WA	Native Plants WA plays an integral role in providing plants for the conservation and ecological restoration vital to protecting our precious bushland as well as being an inclusive hub for our community. There has been a period where the nursery has not been fully maintained and is not being used to its full potential. During the past 2 to 3 years, the demand for native tube stock has outstripped our ability to produce. The aim of this project is to upgrade and expand our nursery space, enabling us to provide essential native plant tube stock to the Western Australian community.	\$44,500

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Peel	CSGS24052	Birdlife Australia	Climate change impacts on Peel-Yalgorup migratory shorebirds	The project aims to address knowledge gaps regarding movement and habitat use of highly threatened migratory shorebirds in the Peel-Yalgorup Ramsar area. This region supports large numbers of migratory shorebird over a 26000 hectare area, but habitat quality is highly dependent on environmental conditions. Climate change and pollution is impacting shorebird habitat in this region and we aim to see how site use of shorebirds throughout the season might be affect by these changes. Additionally, we will use this opportunity to test captured shorebirds for avian influenza	\$47,146
Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24001	Friends of Jirdarup Bushland Inc	Caring for Kensington Bushland - hand weeding project	The Kensington Bushland Hand Weeding Project aims to improve the condition of the bushland by reducing weed abundance. The grant will employ a specialist contractor to hand weed from June to November in 2025 and 2026, supplemented each year by 600+ hours of volunteer hand weeding. These efforts will support the Town of Victoria Park's established maintenance program and will include weed mapping, development of weed and native grass catalogues, community skills training, and Noongar engagement. These outputs and monitoring of hand-weeded and non-hand weeded areas will provide input into the Kensington Bushland Management Plan and support increases in biodiversity.	\$24,320
Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24003	Friends of Piesse Brook Inc	Geophyte weed control throughout John Forrest National Park	John Forrest National Park is characterised by high conservation values and along with its proximity to Perth, makes it a very popular location for nature and wildflower enthusiasts. It also contains large infestations of geophyte weeds. The current project will engage a contractor to conduct geophyte weed control to achieve the objectives of local and regional conservation strategies. The removal of weeds will continue the native bushland regeneration observed under previous projects, while also protecting other areas locally and regionally from weed infestations, adding to the biodiversity, aesthetic and educational values of these areas.	\$27,225
Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24005	Perth Region NRM Inc	Inspiring Youth Stewardship for Noongar Boodja	Inspiring young people to respect and nurture nature is critical for the future health of natural areas. Diverse social benefits for youth and the broader community include creating cultural connections, intergenerational learning, physical activity to support mental health and developing natural resource management skills. It gives them a practical opportunity to interact with nature to build foundations to seek employment, volunteer and advocate for healthy natural environments. With most environmental volunteers currently over 55 years old it is critical Generation Alpha understands and participates in land stewardship.	\$45,973
Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24026	Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group Inc	Repairing sedge-lands at Mary Carroll Wetlands Stage 2	Mary Carroll Park in the City of Gosnells is an extremely important wetland refuge and breeding site for many water birds and other fauna. The wetland has been highly modified over the last 150 years. This project will aim to restore fringing sedge dominated vegetation communities around a portion of the lake to increase biodiversity, improve wildlife habitat and improve water quality. The project will also provide community engagement and education opportunities to increase capacity and connection between community and environment.	\$15,063
Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24027	Perth Region NRM Inc	Removal of Cape Tulip from Iluka Bush Forever	The removal of One-leafed Cape Tulip ( <i>Moraea flaccida</i> ) and other bulbous weeds from Bush Forever 325, Iluka	\$13,000
Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24042	Native ARC Inc	"Conserving Ocean Guardians" Marine Turtle Conservation in WA	The lack of standardised procedures for marine turtle rescue, treatment, and rehabilitation, along with the absence of formal data logging, hampers conservation efforts in WA. This results in inconsistent practices and fragmented data, undermining rescue and recovery initiatives. In collaboration with the WA Wildlife Marine Turtle Advisory Group, we will develop a comprehensive handbook for rangers, local governments, rehabilitators, veterinarians, and government agencies, encompassing best practices and scientific guidelines. Additionally, a data reporting system will be established to log rescue and rehabilitation activities, creating a crucial scientific data baseline. This project will enhance coordination and enable data-driven conservation efforts state-wide.	\$35,000



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Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24048	Town of Cottesloe	North Cottesloe Dune Restoration	The Town of Cottesloe (the Town) and Cottesloe Coastcare Association (CCA) have worked on a number of successful restoration sites along Cottesloe's 4km coastline. This application is seeking funding to restore a section of coastal dunes by converting degraded areas to 'very good' vegetation. The project scope includes a weed trial to treat Marram grass which has become established along a strip of the coastal dunes, focused weed control, planting 2000 native plants (including a spinifex belt), rabbit control, upgraded fencing to keep dogs off the dunes and signage to discourage people from walking onto the dunes and causing erosion.	\$8,836
Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24051	Black Cockatoo Preservation Society	Substrate to Mitigate Disease in Endangered Black Cockatoos	The Black Cockatoo Preservation Society (BCPS), through its work at Kaarakin, is recognised as the largest and most successful black cockatoo rehabilitation centre in Australia. BCPS have rewilded approximately 1,000 cockatoos, 1,370 rehabilitated and more than 400 spared from euthanasia. We propose to relay the substrate foundation to the 13 aviaries that currently house more than 235 endangered or vulnerable Baudin, Carnaby and red tailed black cockatoos. A clean substrate flooring is essential for the health and well-being of these endangered birds and to prevent bird fatalities due to disease transmission and outbreak.	\$30,000
Perth Metropolitan	CSGS24057	City of Cockburn	Manning Park Bridal Creeper (*Asparagus asparagoides) Control Program	Integrated weed management of Bridal Creeper (*Asparagus asparagoides), a Weed of National Significance, in Manning Park. Contractors will apply herbicide to light infestations and City of Cockburn staff will assist community groups to apply rust fungus ( <i>Puccinia myrsiphylli</i> ) to heavily infested areas. Manning Park contains 3 Threatened Ecological Communities and 2 Priority Ecological Communities covering 76% of the bushland area.	\$17,074
Pilbara	CSGS24053	Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation	Traditional Ecological Knowledge Survey Best Practice	This project will develop best practice standards for the design and scoping of Traditional Ecological Knowledge surveys typically conducted in the context of social surrounds reports. These standards will promote the adoption of a methodology that respects the principles and values of First Nations communities during the environmental assessment process, while fostering improved engagement between industry proponents and Aboriginal communities impacted by project developments.	\$41,437
South West	CSGS24014	Blackwood Environment Society Inc	Enhancing Valuable Habitat, Food and Seed Resources	Through the increase of habitat loss and destruction, many native species within the Southwest of Western Australia, are becoming displaced and fighting for suitable habitat. With funding for this project, Blackwood Environment Society aims to increase protected habitat, food sources and seed collection resources through the expansion of the prominent 'Hakea Seed Orchard'. Once established, the diversified seed orchard, will provide a greater area of valuable resources for native wildlife along with an increased viable seed source from which BES Community Landcare Nursery will collect for growing and revegetation purposes.	\$46,551
South West	CSGS24034	Leschenault Catchment Council	Community Caring for the Collie River	This project will rejuvenate a section of the Collie River foreshore in the southwest town of Collie. Aligned with the Shire of Collie's 'Collie River Revitalisation Strategy', the project will use best practice riparian restoration techniques and strong Aboriginal and community engagement to enhance ecological health, improve wildlife habitat, build climate resilience, and improve amenity in this highly valued area of the foreshore. In collaboration with the Shire of Collie and the Friends of Collie River a program of weed control, riparian revegetation and interactive community events will be implemented to rejuvenate the foreshore environment and foster community stewardship.	\$49,900
South West	CSGS24035	Nature Conservation Margaret River Region Inc	Wholistic Approach to Safeguarding a Vital River Ecosystem	The project aims to safeguard the ecological integrity and significant cultural and recreational values of the Wooditjup Bilya (Margaret River) in the southwest of WA. It will initially complete a comprehensive baseline assessment to direct on-ground action. Secondly, through targeted behaviour change strategies, we seek to empower the community and landholders to become stewards of this vital ecosystem. Engaging workshops will enhance understanding of Wooditjup Bilya's ecological significance, fostering a sense of responsibility for its preservation. A large-scale community planting day is planned to build the resilience of a degraded refuge pool, fostering habitat restoration and community cohesion.	\$46,952

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Wheatbelt	CSGS24021	Moore Catchment Council	Conserve and enhance Guilderton's dune biodiversity	Guilderton's native dune biodiversity is being threatened by invasive weedy Pyp Grass. This project will remove 10ha of Pyp Grass ( <i>Ehrharta villosa</i> ) through herbicide spraying to allow native biodiversity to return and thrive. A community planting day to revegetate 1.5ha of degraded dunes using native seedlings will provide an opportunity for the community to be engaged in active stewardship of the Guilderton dunes. The local Yued community will be engaged to Work on Country through an organised dune rehabilitation activity to plant native seedlings and remove weeds, and will erect 3 new interpretive dune ecology signs.	\$32,831
Wheatbelt	CSGS24054	Shire of Gingin	Amazon Frogbit infestation Gingin Brook	We have become aware of a significant infestation of the Declared weed Amazon Frogbit, <i>Limnobium laevigatum</i> , along Quin Brook, extending from the Gingin Brook Rd crossing upstream for a distance of at least 1.5km. While the infestation appears localised within the deeper pools along the brook that have retained water, there is a looming risk of its spread as water levels rise, potentially reaching the Moore River. It is imperative that we undertake measures to contain, manage, and ultimately eradicate this infestation to prevent further detrimental effects on the ecosystem and surrounding areas.	\$17,950
Multi-regional Great Southern, South West	CSGS24010	Karlup Animal Sanctuary Inc	Wings of Hope: Empowering Black-Cockatoo Recovery Locally	Conserve and recover biodiversity - encompasses a wide range of actions, and rehabilitation of threatened wildlife is an essential component. Project is to build an aviary that will support rehabilitation and release to the wild of black cockatoos. This will help ascertain if the birds have regained their natural flying abilities, are able to forage naturally for food & can cope with exposure to the elements. This aviary will alleviate the need for the stressful journey to Perth, lessen the time required in rehabilitation & reinforce our local population.	\$45,987
Multi-regional Goldfields- Esperance, Great Southern, Mid West, Peel, South West, Wheatbelt	CSGS24032	Wheatbelt Natural Resource Management Inc	Red Card for Rabbits and Foxes	Red Card for Rabbits and Foxes is a thriving community-driven initiative that has tackled feral animal management in Southwest WA for two decades. Largely volunteer-based, Red Card relies on centralised coordination to sustain momentum, community engagement, and awareness on feral animal issues. Since 2013, Red Card has been managed by Wheatbelt NRM, resulting in 37,853 foxes, 2,345 feral cats, and 24,354 rabbits being culled, while involving 9,612 community members. To ensure its continuity, ongoing support is required to drive the program's community significant impact and the ongoing need for resources to combat feral species effectively.	\$49,808
Multi-regional Great Southern, South West	CSGS24037	Shire of Plantagenet	Reducing Environmental Impacts of Feral Pigs Warren Region	This project proposes completion of a landscape scale feral pig control program to protect the environment and agriculture. The project will bring together resources, knowledge and expertise from local government, industry and DBCA to deliver a collaborative, cross tenure program to reduce the impact feral pigs have on threatened and endangered fauna, flora and ecosystems while also protecting wetlands, farming and forestry land and commercial piggeries. Experienced, accredited operators will undertake surveillance and control work aimed at eradicating pigs from private property and reducing population density in DBCA managed estate thereby preventing the spread of pigs into new areas.	\$47,750

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