

# STATE BUDGET

## 2019-20

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#### **Marshall Liberal Government building South Australia's future**

The Marshall Liberal Government's 2019-20 State Budget delivers \$3 million of additional funding over four years for Infrastructure SA, a record investment in education and the next tranche of more than 20,000 new apprenticeships and traineeships through the Skilling South Australia fund.

The State Government's investment in infrastructure, education and skills training are important cogs in the future economic growth of South Australia to deliver the jobs and investment needed to stem the drain of young people interstate.

"Infrastructure SA is developing a 20-year State Infrastructure Strategy and 5-year rolling annual infrastructure plan to ensure the State Government is provided with high-quality policy advice, to make sure our investments in infrastructure result in real differences in the day-to-day lives of South Australians," said Premier Marshall.

"When we have efficient, evidence-based infrastructure planning, we create jobs, grow the economy and improve living conditions for people in our state.

"Infrastructure SA is comprised of people the calibre of Tony Shepherd, Carolyn Hewson, Amanda Price-McGregor and Robert Rust and is transforming the way our state's infrastructure is planned and built.

"Our record investment in education, particularly our \$1.3 billion capital works program and the transition of Year 7 into high school, will get South Australia's schools up to speed with the rest of the nation and improve education outcomes for our students.

"In fact, we have budgeted a record \$4.1 billion on education in 2022-23 which is \$611 million more than we expect to spend in 2018-19.

"Many schools already have access to high-speed, fibre optic internet, through our landmark contract with Telstra worth more than \$80 million.

"Fast internet is a critical component of learning in the modern world, and this contract is an important component of delivering a world-class education system in South Australia.

"The Federal Government and State Government's enormous investment in Lot Fourteen has enhanced South Australia as a highly attractive place to invest in the industries of the future.

"The Skilling South Australia fund is critical to ensuring we have skilled workers to take advantage of the incredible opportunities that will be on offer as the South Australian economy diversifies.

"The creation of 20,800 new apprenticeships and traineeships means South Australians will have the skills they need to be job-ready across key industries like defence."