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Federal Member for **Durack**



Delivering safer communities in the Midwest

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Federal Member for Durack and Minister for the Environment Melissa Price has announced the Coalition Government will provide more than \$657,000 for five projects in the Durack electorate, under Round 3 of the Coalition's \$30 million Safer Communities Fund.

Minister Price said these projects will go some way to helping community members feel safe and for tackling crime and anti-social behaviour in their community.

"People have a right to feel safe in their community and these grants will help with the installation of CCTV cameras and lighting," she said.

In the Midwest there were three recipients: the Shire of Chapman Valley has been granted \$17,000 for three additional CCTV cameras at the local landfill site and at Mills Lookout, a picturesque tourist attraction that is being destroyed by ongoing illegal dumping.

Mullewa Senior Citizens' homes will replace the ageing perimeter fences of their six units with \$23,942 provided through the Safer Communities Funding.

The Shire of Three Springs received \$107,613 to upgrade and expand their CCTV network with the replacement of two CCTV cameras and the installation of an additional 19 cameras across community facilities.

The Safer Communities Fund delivers on the Coalition's ongoing commitment to keep Australians safe and secure.

The Safer Communities Fund, a 2016 election commitment, initially received \$40 million to support local communities to address crime and anti-social behaviour and to protect organisations that may face risks from racial or religious intolerance. This further commitment brings the total amount available under the Safer Communities Fund to \$70 million between 2016-17 and 2019-20.

More than 300 projects will have been delivered by the Coalition Government across Australia over the three rounds to keep Australians safe.

The Federal Government has now committed \$138 million across Australia to deliver on various strategies designed to strengthen our communities.

"The Coalition will continue to assist local councils and organisations to address crime and anti-social behaviour and make Durack safer," Minister Price said.



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Safer Communities funding was also allocated to the:

- Shire of Goomalling, \$108,500 for installation of 14 CCTV cameras and 19 security lights at the Recreation Hub.
- City of Karratha, \$400,000 for installation of 121 solar lights along 3.8kms of footpaths to increase safety along walking routes.

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