



**The 2017-18 Budget will renew our schools, hospitals, infrastructure and public spaces.**

We are delivering on our commitments to ensure Canberra keeps getting even better.

**10-Year Health Plan**

 \$236 million for the new Surgical Procedures, Interventional Radiology and Emergency (SPIRE) Centre at The Canberra Hospital


 \$68 million to expand the Centenary Hospital for Women and Children


 Training more frontline nurses, midwives and allied health workers through a new clinical school at the Canberra Hospital

 More Walk in Centres across Canberra

**Better schools for our kids**

 More than \$100 million to expand, upgrade and build new local schools


 School assistants to provide better support for our teachers

 More school psychologists and support for Safe Schools to protect student wellbeing

**Better suburbs**

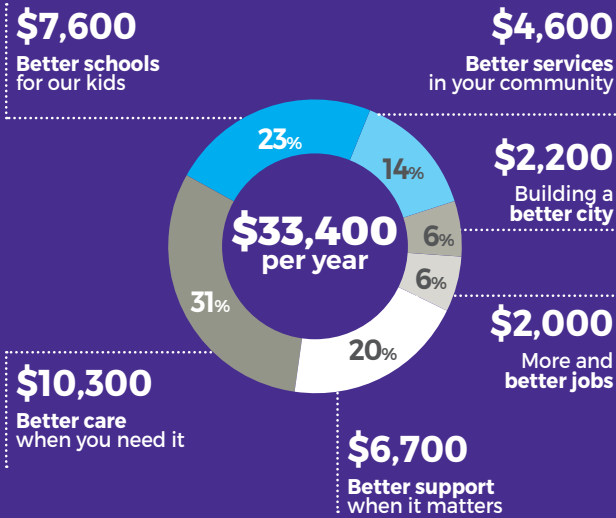
 \$43 million to upgrade local roads

 More weeding, tree clearing, graffiti prevention and hard waste removal

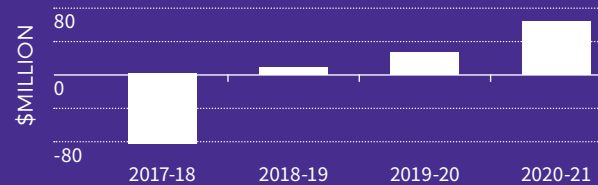
 Canberra's first Container Deposit Scheme to cut litter and boost recycling

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**FOR EACH CANBERRA HOUSEHOLD,**  
on average the Government spends...



**Returning to a BALANCED BUDGET**



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**CENTRAL CANBERRA**



For a better Canberra

# CENTRAL CANBERRA UP CLOSE

6,534 

ACT Government workers  
employed (eg. teachers, nurses, city rangers)

11,142 

school students  
taught by 975 teachers  
at 19 public schools

68 

local playgrounds  
maintained

17,371 

tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> saved  
by using renewable electricity

614,619 

items borrowed from local libraries

3,220 

hectares of grass mowed  
on local arterial roadsides



## BETTER SERVICES IN YOUR COMMUNITY

- > A new **Green Rapid bus route** from the City to Woden via Manuka and Barton, **including free travel for the first two months**
- > 10 new customised **bike racks**, designed by local artists
- > Supporting **popular arts events** including: Art, Not Apart, DESIGN Canberra and the Canberra Writers Festival
- > **More frontline firefighters** and putting a second crew into the Ainslie Fire and Rescue Station
- > **Free off-peak bus travel** for seniors and concession card holders



## BETTER SCHOOLS FOR OUR KIDS

- > \$85 million for **school classroom and facilities upgrades** including at the Narrabundah Early Childhood School
- > **Supporting students with a disability** to ensure they can access their local public schools
- > **Safer walking and cycling** around our schools, with new school crossing supervisors and better road signage
- > **Devices for students** to support technology-enabled learning



## BUILDING A BETTER CITY

- > **Delivering the first stage of light rail along Northbourne Avenue** and investing in design and procurement for Stage 2 to Woden
- > **Creating a vibrant and lively waterfront** at West Basin with a new boardwalk and public park
- > **Improving Haig Park** to meet the needs of the community while maintaining its heritage value
- > **Upgrades to Dudley Street** as part of the Canberra Brickworks project, to improve safety and traffic flow on local roads



## BETTER CARE WHEN YOU NEED IT

- > Early planning for a **new health centre** for the Inner North
- > **Two more mobile dental clinics** to service hard to reach communities and schools
- > **More graduate nurses** for better frontline care

