



LEARNING CITY STRATEGY: ENRICHING YOUR WORLD

Report Card
July 2022 – June 2023



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The City of Canning acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation as the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the lands in Canning and pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging. The City extends that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and acknowledges their ongoing connection to the land and waterways in which we live, work and gather.



LEARNING CITY STRATEGY REPORT CARD



The City of Canning is committed to growing as a Learning City.

Our vision to support our community to adapt to change with resilience, grasp opportunities with ingenuity, and respond to challenges courageously and innovatively.

In 2020 we committed to work collaboratively to facilitate access for all community members to a range of learning initiatives, fostering social harmony through inclusion, connection and celebration of our diversity.

Our Learning City Strategy provides the framework to guide the implementation of programs, initiatives and services that support lifelong learning.

This second Report card provides a summary of some of the key achievements, progress and completed actions over the first two years of the strategy from July 2022 - June 2023.

The achievements have been grouped across the four key outcome areas:

KEY ACHIEVEMENT AREAS



Enabler of resilience and agility



Community Agora: the peoples place



Empower through dynamic learning



A hub for creative and innovative endeavour

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

In 2022, the City of Canning was formally recognised for its outstanding efforts to make lifelong learning accessible for all at the local level, through acceptance as a member of the UNESCO Global Learning City Network.

As the first city in Western Australia and fourth city in Australia to be part of the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC), Canning joins the ranks of 294 cities from across 76 countries.

GNLC aims to facilitate lifelong learning through enhancing individual empowerment and social inclusion, economic development and cultural prosperity, and sustainable development.



ENABLER OF RESILIENCE AND AGILITY



Our community responds to change with agility, overcomes challenges with resilience and capitalises on opportunities with ingenuity.



Hillview hosted the [2023 Canning Job Expo](#) with 30+ local employers and 600+ attendees and hosted the last of 17 Migrant Job-Readiness training series funded by Lotterywest



Delivery of the Urban Arts, Hoops and Wellbeing program for the diversion of young people at risk



Personal health and wellbeing were supported through physio and nutrition workshops, free multilingual counselling and mental health sessions to promote personal wellbeing



[Youth Employment Initiative](#) matures with annual delivery of youth employment skills workshops and recruitment of local young people. Since the beginning, 24 young people have been employed, 6 who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. 6 secured continuing employment with the libraries, with 1 commencing studies within this field



Encourage energy and water use reduction and waste diversion through the [Switch Your Thinking](#) program



232 [grant applications](#) approved providing \$229,792 for equipment, local events, community group support, inclusion for people with a disability and for young people to represent Western Australia or Australia



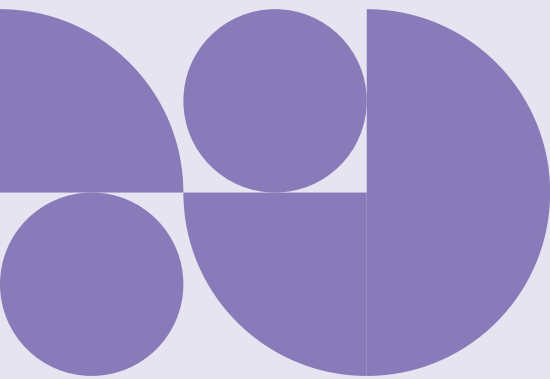
Over 200 Support Provider Directories were distributed by frontline staff, while the 'Freo Street Doctor' operates weekly alongside Cannington Soup Kitchen and Orange Sky Mobile Laundry Services, creating a local [support hub](#) at Wharf Street



Partnered with Strength Heroes to deliver an intergenerational art and literacy program "Driving Connections" to increase growth mindset and resilience in seniors and children



Delivered financial literacy and job skills workshops to improve community resilience with partners



InterConnect volunteering broadened enabling people with a disability to volunteer, the Cultural Ambassador volunteer program and community led program delivery



Utilised online workshops, seasonal seed service and local networking opportunities to achieve **Grow It Local** outcomes with 720 kgs of food waste diverted from landfill weekly



EMPOWER THROUGH DYNAMIC LEARNING



The Canning community is supported to realise their potential through embracing a culture of lifelong learning.



Sponsored 43 places across the [Canning Business Mentoring Program](#) across 6 levels of business growth support



3900 young people attended [youth programs](#), growing consistently over the years of the Learning City Strategy



Partnered with Nearer to Nature to deliver 100 [school excursions](#) for 1485 students, 23 sessions of Djarlgarra Yarning Program for 537 students, professional learning for 21 teachers and Cockatoo Kids Club for 100+ participants



13 Lynwood High School Year 9 & 10 students attended the Ngalang Kadjin Moorditj Aboriginal Mentoring Program in partnership with Sister Kate's Home Kids Aboriginal Corporation



18,000+ community members attended 1,200+ learning programs and activities in City of Canning Libraries and Learning Hubs



Thought leaders and innovators from across the WA sustainability, social impact and impact management community came together through the ['Changing Your World Conference' 2022](#)



Engaged 352 people to enable residents to adopt sustainable and climate friendly behaviours at home through Climate Clever Neighbourhoods project



Continued to deliver Rhymes, Stories, Play n Learn and ABCD English programs to develop early literacy for children aged under 5



Digital skills sessions and 1-to-1 tech support with partners such as NBN Co and Youngster.Co builds confidence in the use of technology for all ages



Partnered with three Canning Cultural Ambassadors as consultants to undertake grant funded research into barriers facing CaLD families to connect with the Canning Libraries' early years programs



Over 47,000 people visited [Hillview Intercultural Community](#) Centre with 2445 bookings made to use the spaces to delivery community events and programs.



Delivered 23 sustainability community learning programs to 521 participants at **Canning River Eco Education Centre** and hosted 18 City workshops



Supported residents to improve biodiversity in their garden through the **ReWild Perth** program



"My wish is to honour this land, just like the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were just such beautiful custodians. The land needs to be healed and the people need to be healed."

– Caryn, Reconciliation Week Walk participant

COMMUNITY AGORA: THE PEOPLES PLACE



Community members feel that Canning is a place of Welcome – they are connected, included and have a sense of belonging within the community.



Hillview won the [Office of Multicultural Interests Multicultural Awards for Local Government](#)



Partnered with Edmund Rice Centre of WA, Youth Futures (Youth Accom), Freedom Centre and Baris Education and Culture Foundation activated the inside of the [Lynwood Youth Hub](#) while outside 300 community attendees celebrated the opening of the Skate & Basketball Park



Noongar Language and Cultural Classes were facilitated by Whadjuk Elders while the Welcome Project actively enhanced the overt indications of welcome, inclusion and representation to the Aboriginal community within the library spaces



[Wanju Welcome Queens Park](#) supported the development of a neighbourhood of welcome through collaboration with 10 community groups through 13 projects directly reaching 1,764 community members



[Disability Access and Inclusion Plan](#) was endorsed outlining the City's commitment over five years and development of an Age Friendly Plan commences



900 people engaged within their local neighbourhood, through hosting the [Youth Fest](#) at the Cannington Leisureplex and in Bentley



Use of Online Resource continued to grow, resulting in 94,000+ uses while increasingly library spaces are used for social connection and study environments with 337,839 visits



Phase 2 of the [Cultural Ambassador program](#) onboarded 22 exceptional individuals representing the top 20 diverse communities in the City of Canning



4,400+ community group members were enabled to meet in Canning Libraries' spaces while creative and social programs encouraged community participation such as Art in the Afternoons, Social Singing for Adults and Mind Theatre



Development, consultation and drafting of the City's [Reconciliation Strategy](#) 2023-2027



Bilingual Stories increased community volunteer storytellers to support expanding delivery at Hillview Intercultural Community Centre



Established new community-led Intercultural Reading Circle to increase social connection for CaLD community and foster a love of reading



Chai Time Women's Connect brought together migrant women to create connection, build confidence and develop new skills in partnership with REED Collective



People of all abilities were celebrated and connected through events and programs. 29 staff and volunteers have undertaken inclusion training and 480 library customers join in the IDPwD celebrations



Chameleon spaces of **libraries** increasingly used flexibly to host conferences, art exhibitions, business development workshops and international delegations



A HUB FOR CREATIVE & INNOVATIVE ENDEAVOUR



The Canning community is engaged in creative exploration and innovative development in a collaborative environment.



The City's new outreach vehicle [Canning on the Go Van](#) launched with engagement at the Canning Show including singing, robots and laser cutting



To increase civic engagement and leadership the [Youth Engagement Framework](#) was developed and unanimously endorsed by Council in July 2022



Finalisation and launch of [Canning Vale Food Value Add Precinct Report](#) by Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre



Earth Day Expo returned post-pandemic with 400 primary school students from 7 schools attending in October 2021 and again in March 2022.



Partnership projects delivered resulting in 'From Old to New' – Clothes Swap Event, Ramadan Iftar & Panel Talk on Aboriginal – Muslim Historical Relations, Family and Domestic Violence Education Session, 'Welcome to Canning' Bus Tour and NAIDOC Week 2023 Partnership with Langford Aboriginal Association.



Built the capacity of young people to make sustainable ideas happen through the Changing Your World youth project and Agents of Change Youth Conference in partnership with Millennium Kids



Undertook user acceptance testing of the Online Sustainability and Impact Reporting Platform for impact measurement and monitoring



[MakerSpace](#) program provided free community access to 3D printers, laser cutters and sewing machines



[Play Streets](#) supported by grant funding to create places of welcome for the neighbourhood to gather and connect with each other



Young people experienced hands-on learning in [school holiday activities](#) including 3D printing, robotics and AR



Story Threads: Connecting Cultures to Country public art project wrapped up with the creation of a [Unity mural](#) in partnership with CANWA



11 [Volunteers](#) engaged to support sustainability initiatives that reduce waste to land fill through the repair and recycling of household goods at Re-Use Markets, Repair Labs and recycling education at City events



Provision of funding and in-kind support to the UWA Djarlgarro Beeliar Wetlands and Waterways Project



Delivered 11 actions of the **Youth Engagement Framework** with developing and strengthening relationships and communication networks



EVALUATION AND REPORTING

The Enriching Your World: Learning City Strategy 2020 – 2024 provides direction for the combined work of nine business units across the City of Canning.

The City uses the Centre for Social Impact's LCS2 Measurement and Evaluation Framework to monitor, analyse, report and continuously improve programs, events and services.

The framework was implemented across the City in 2022 to evaluate and monitor programs and services using

key performance indicators, adjusting the framework to fit the needs of each business unit.

Further development and staff training in 2023 will support ongoing application, aiming to provide both quantitative data and qualitative data to demonstrate the impact of the work undertaken under the strategy.





"I LOVED the free seed program. This year I received spinach and rocket and loved the videos. My rocket and spinach have thrived and I can't wait for the next edition."

– Grow It Local program participant



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