

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2010-11 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 6

**Question No:** 216

**Topic:** Respectful Relationships

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Cash** asked:

With reference to the Respectful Relationship Program in schools:

- a. What is the criteria for funding of the program?
- b. Please provide details of the funded projects and the relevant sites in Round 1, and 2 and any other projects funded outside Round 1 and 2.
- c. What criteria is applied to determine if the Respectful Relationships projects are efficiently and effectively delivered.
- d. What empirical evidence is available to indicate the projects are efficiently and effectively delivered?

**Answer:**

- a) Round 1 (2008-09) projects were selected against VicHealth and National Association of Services Against Sexual Violence (NASASV) principles underpinning 'best practices' in violence prevention education. Round 2 (2009-10) projects were assessed against: program delivery and design (including value for money); need; expertise and experience; past performance; capability to manage government funding; financial viability; capacity to participate in a national evaluation; program adaptability; and geographical location.
- b) Included at Attachment A.
- c) Criteria include Funding Agreement milestones and performance indicators such as targets for: participant and activity sites; number of sessions held; numbers of satisfied participants; participants reporting increased levels of knowledge and skills; and educators satisfied with training and support.
- d) Regular progress reports; internal evaluations; organisations' financial reports; informal feedback; and site visits.

## Attachment A

Details of the ten Respectful Relationships projects funded in 2009-10 were provided at the June 2010-11 Budget Estimates Hearings – please refer to document number T10. The following details of funded projects and all known sites are publically available.

The details are:

### Projects funded in 2008-09

Project	Details	Site information	Funding
The Royal Women's Hospital – Centre Against Sexual Assault (CASA)	The Royal Women's Hospital - CASA and the Canberra Rape Crisis Centre, is implementing CASA's <i>Sexual Assault Prevention</i> Program for Secondary Schools in three secondary schools in the Australian Capital Territory.	3 Fed Gov funded sites in ACT Narrabundah College Telopea Park School Canberra Grammar School and 1 ACT Gov funded site Campbell High School	\$750,000
University of Western Sydney	The University of Western Sydney implemented <i>Sex and Ethics</i> with diverse groups of young people, including those in university and TAFE settings. The groups were based in city and rural areas.	4 sites in NSW University of New England, Wollondilly, Outer Sydney, Sydney Central Coast	\$300,000
University of New South Wales	The University of New South Wales worked with the National Rugby League (NRL) Queensland to implement the University of Western Sydney's <i>Sex and Ethics program</i> with National Rugby League elite youth.	2 sites Brisbane and Gold Coast	\$102,000
The Northern Territory Department of Education and Training	The Northern Territory Government is providing teacher training in South Australian child protection curriculum materials in 40 Northern Territory Schools (5 urban and up to 35 remote)	40 sites in Northern Territory Mix of mainstream and remote	\$785,000
SHine South Australia	SHine South Australia was engaged to develop a model for Respectful Relationships education programs for remote area schools.	3 proposed sites in WA: Fitzroy Crossing Halls Creek Oombulgurri	\$300,000
South Australian Department of Education and Children's Services	The South Australian Department of Education and Children's Services has partnered with the Commonwealth Government to evaluate their Keeping Safe Child Protection Curriculum.	A number of sites are involved across the state	\$120,000
La Trobe University	La Trobe University is trialling and evaluating a Respectful Relationships program for people with an intellectual disability and other cognitive disabilities – <i>Living Safer Sexual Lives (LSSL): Respectful Relationships</i> .	Five sites: Geelong (Vic), Gippsland (Vic), Northern Metropolitan Melbourne (Vic), Hobart (Tas) and Burnie/North West Tasmania (Tas).	\$400,000

## Ten projects funded in 2009-10

Project	Details	Site information	Funding
Australian Football League (national)	Respect and Responsibility education programs will be delivered within community sport settings across the nation to 16-21 year old participants involved in national, state and community football competitions	To be confirmed	\$400,000
Baptist Community Services (NSW)	Project to teach Year Nine students in inner western Sydney, western Sydney, Penrith, Wollongong, and Wyong, about the importance of respectful relationships	Eight schools (Canterbury, Bankstown, Blacktown, Campbelltown, Penrith, Wollongong, Wyong, City of Sydney)	\$384,155
Relationships Australia Canberra and Region	LOVE BiTES program in NSW which teaches Year 10 students about domestic and family violence, sexual assault prevention, and maintaining respectful relationships	12 sites across eight schools	\$205,500
Swinburne University of Technology (VIC)	Program for Indigenous men who are at risk or involved in the juvenile justice system to change their beliefs about violent behaviour towards women	To be confirmed	\$245,000
Kurbingui Youth Development Association (QLD)	Indigenous program in northern Brisbane to reduce family violence	To be confirmed	\$25,250
Youth and Family Service Logan City (QLD)	Multi-faceted program targeting youth already involved in violent behaviour	To be confirmed (school and non-school sites in Logan area)	\$140,000
UnitingCare Wesley Adelaide (SA)	Relationship education programs for at-risk students in the metropolitan and northern suburbs of Adelaide	3 locations in (Adelaide Metro and Northern Suburbs)	\$200,000
Sexual Assault Resource Centre (WA)	Education and training project to teach both high school students and educators about respectful relationships	To be confirmed (across state)	\$400,000
Australian Red Cross Society (WA)	Indigenous specific program for at-risk youth to build self-esteem	1 location Kwinana	\$48,210
Youth and Family Focus Inc (TAS)	Project to educate and empower young people in Devonport and central Tasmania to make healthy relationship choices	To be confirmed	\$327,274

In addition, four Indigenous specific projects were funded under the Indigenous Family Safety program in 2009-10.

### Indigenous Projects funded in 2009-10

<b>Project</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Site information</b>	<b>Funding</b>
Akeyulerre	The Akeyulerre project supports senior Arrernte Indigenous men to mentor young people and develop their skills in engaging in respectful relationships.	Alice Springs, NT	\$140,000
Wandiyali ATSI Inc	The program will deliver the “Murrung program” culturally specific and appropriate information and learning to Indigenous young people (12-15) in the Hunter Valley area through development and formal evaluation of an educational resource kit.	Hunter Region, NSW	\$49,890
Dirtywork Comedy Pty Ltd	The project is developing an Indigenous specific No Means No Show (NMNS) performance targeted at Indigenous young people aged 13 – 18.	North Melbourne, VIC	\$353,200
Link-Up (NSW) Aboriginal Corp	The Link-Up program uses a combination of cultural activities, counselling based group strategies, healing activities and sexual health education to foster the development of skills and knowledge on positive and respectful relationships.	Penrith & Blue Mountains, NSW	\$16,510