# **Senate Community Affairs Committee**

## ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

### SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

### 2014-15 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Question No: SQ15-000292

Topic: Grant Agreements Hansard page: Written

### Senator Brown, Carol asked:

Please provide a breakdown of the grant funding for each outcome, programme, activity, sub-activity and component under the previous grants structure for 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 by:

- a. State and Territory.
- b. Electorate
- c. Local Government Area

#### **Answer:**

a. Please refer to the DSS website below for information on grants current over the periods 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15.

https://www.dss.gov.au/about-the-department/overview/grants-funding

b.&c. DSS has introduced the Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) to provide consistency in the way service areas are described across most programmes. The ASGS is more stable than other boundary sets and is being used by an increasing number of agencies for improved service integration and policy analysis. The ASGS boundaries used by DSS do not lend themselves to reporting by Electorates and Local Government Areas.