

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Senator Claire Moore

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Question:

McDevitt: The funds for that program, the women's leadership development strategy, for this financial year have been transferred, along with the Office for Women. Any funding agreements that had already been entered into will be honoured, and there are still some unallocated funds under those administered funds.

Senator MOORE: So in terms of the grants, anything that had been signed is now secure?

Ms McDevitt: That is correct.

Senator MOORE: And allocated. Regarding the unallocated amounts, were they in the situation of being discussed and not finalised, in terms of an agreement? What is the situation with any unallocated funds from that program?

Ms Cross: It varies. For some parts there may have been discussions; others we might be looking at in the New Year.

Senator MOORE: Can we get a list of those? The website does not have it at the moment.

Ms Cross: We can let you know how much of the funds is uncommitted. If it is uncommitted, it is not actually committed to anything.

Senator MOORE: Can we get a list of everything that is committed? I have a full list of all the different things that have currently been funded. For women's leadership and development, can I get a list from the department of everything that is currently allocated?

Ms Steele: Yes, certainly.

Answer:

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Uncommitted funds from the Women's Leadership Development Strategy as of 4 December 2013 are \$1,173,000 for the 2013-14 financial year appropriation.

Funds that have been committed from the Women's Leadership Development Strategy as of 4 December 2013 for the 2013-14 financial year appropriation are:

- National Women's Alliances of \$1,590,000;
- Sports Leadership Grants of \$250,000;
- Every Girl Programme of \$150,000;
- Australian Local Government Women's Association 50:50 Vision of \$50,000; and
- other expenditure, including costs associated with one-off grants, events and publications, of \$210,000, including:
 - Pay Equity Forum run by Economic Security for Women, \$60,000;
 - Grant to Fitted for Work, for \$50,000;
 - Grant to 1 Million Women (for participation in a Climate Conference) for \$20,000; and
 - Assistance for Pacific Participation at CSW58, \$50,000.