

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2010-2011**

Outcome 2 - Schools

DEEWR Question No.EW0893_11

Senator Nash provided in writing.

Question

AUSTRALIAN YOUTH MENTORING NETWORK

Minister Garrett recently stated in a speech to the Australian Youth Mentoring Conference in November 2011 that the Commonwealth had provided the Australian Youth Mentoring Network with \$600,000 over three years to continue its mentoring programmes. Which programme and funding has this \$600,000 come from? The funding given to the Australian Youth Mentoring Network was not publicised by the Government. In total, how many external organisations have been funded under the National Partnership, how much funding has gone to each, and what are the terms of each funding contract? What discretion does the Minister have to direct funding to organisations under the National Partnership? Would the Minister be able to announce new spending on organisations using the current pools of funding – or has the total spend already been allocated?

Answer

The Australian Youth Mentoring Network \$600,000 (2009-2012) is funded from the National Career Development element under the Youth Attainment and Transitions National Partnership. This funding was approved by the then Minister for Youth the Hon Kate Ellis MP.

There are around 118 organisations funded through the Commonwealth's contribution to the Youth Attainment and Transitions National Partnership. The Commonwealth's funding is being used to deliver the Youth Connections Program, School Business Community Partnership Brokers program and initiatives that require national implementation under the National Career Development element.

Under the Youth Connections contract, service providers are required to provide tailored case management and support to help young people to re-connect with education and training and build resilience, skills and attributes that promote positive choices and well being. Details of the organisations contracted are available in QONs EW0852_11 and EW0857_11.

The School Business Community Partnership Brokers improve community and business engagement with schools and registered training organisations to extend learning beyond the classroom, increase student engagement, deepen learning experiences, lift attainment and improve educational outcomes. The contracted

organisations are listed at Table 1 below.

The Commonwealth has responsibility for National Career Development and provides funding for a range of initiatives that require national implementation. The funded initiatives are listed in QONEW0853_11.

Youth Connections and Partnership Broker programs are funded under Commonwealth Own Purpose Expense. All contracts for Youth Connections and Partnership Brokers were allocated under a competitive tender process. Funding is committed until expiration of the National Partnership.

As the funding is a Commonwealth Own Purpose Expense, the Minister has discretion to direct funding under the National Career Development component. In practice, funding for career development initiatives has been agreed through a National Career Development Working Group that includes representation from all jurisdictions, the Catholic Education sector and the Independent Education sector.

Future expenditure in the National Career Development element will be considered in the context of recommendations from the research project on the National Career Development Strategy – refer to QONEW0853_11.

Table 1: Partnership Brokers

	Number of Organisations	50	
	Number of regions	76	
Region	Provider	Region Planned Annual Expenditure	Contract end date
ACT01	Confederation of ACT Industry t/a ACT & Region Chamber of Commerce & Industry	503,000.00	31/12/2011
NSW01	Sydney Local Community Partnership Incorporated	533,586.00	31/12/2011
NSW02	Bankstown Granville Industry Education Partnership Incorporated	437,021.00	31/12/2011
NSW03	Sutherland Business Education Network Incorporated	390,833.00	31/12/2011
NSW04	Hills Schools Industry Partnership	459,573.00	31/12/2011
NSW05	Northern Beaches Business Education Network Incorporated	416,081.00	31/12/2011
NSW06	Hills Schools Industry Partnership	437,502.00	31/12/2011
NSW07	ParraSIP Inc	490,141.00	31/12/2011
NSW08	Blacktown Regional Economic & Development Taskforce Incorporated	631,689.00	31/12/2011
NSW09	Blue Mountains Hawkesbury and Penrith Schools Industry Partnership Inc	562,316.00	31/12/2011
NSW10	Bankstown Granville Industry Education Partnership Incorporated T/A Canterbury Bankstown Careers Connections	696,928.00	31/12/2011
NSW11	Fairfield Business Education Partnership Inc.	729,444.00	31/12/2011
NSW12	Macarthur Workplace Learning Program Inc. (MWLP)	512,555.00	31/12/2011
NSW13	Capital Country Industry Education Partnership Inc.	374,285.00	31/12/2011

	T/A Capital Region LCP		
NSW14	The Smith Family	781,315.00	31/12/2011
NSW15	South Coast Workplace Learning Incorporated	293,494.00	31/12/2011
NSW16	Wagga Wagga COMPACT Incorporated	410,119.00	31/12/2011
NSW17	LYNVETLYNKS Incorporated	304,979.00	31/12/2011
NSW18	Murray Industry & Community Education Employment Partnership Incorporated	380,993.00	31/12/2011
NSW19	Centacare Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes	463,704.00	31/12/2011
NSW20	Lower Hunter Vocational Education Partnership Association Inc	263,716.00	31/12/2011
NSW21	Centacare Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes	329,510.00	31/12/2011
NSW22	Centacare Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes	245,002.00	31/12/2011
NSW23	Careers Network Inc	344,130.00	31/12/2011
NSW24	Careers Network Inc	334,583.00	31/12/2011
NSW25	Northern Rivers VET in Schools Consortium Inc T/A CONNECT	531,741.00	31/12/2011
NSW26	Coffs Harbour Regional Workplace Learning Group Inc (NCYCC)	422,196.00	31/12/2011
NSW27	Mid Coast Youth Career Services Incorporated (MCYCS)	455,239.00	31/12/2011
NSW28	Lower Hunter Vocational Education Partnership Association Incorporated t/a Hunter Valley Youth Express	571,143.00	31/12/2011
NSW29	Network For Educational Workplacements Incorporated T/A Career Links	675,528.00	31/12/2011
NSW30	youthconnections.com.au	653,221.00	31/12/2011
NT01-	The Smith Family	366,805.00	31/12/2012
NT02	Northern Territory Industry Training Bureau t/a YouthWorX NT	336,221.00	31/12/2012
NT03	Northern Territory Industry Training Bureau t/a YouthWorX NT	335,365.00	31/12/2012
NT04	Top End Group Training Pty Ltd t/a Group Training Northern Territory	316,570.00	31/12/2012
NT05	Top End Group Training Pty Ltd t/a Group Training Northern Territory	346,038.00	31/12/2012
QLD01	Worklinks Inc	783,240.00	31/12/2011
QLD02	Queensland Youth Industry Links Inc	586,400.00	31/12/2011
QLD03	The Smith Family	1,083,313.00	31/12/2011
QLD04	The Smith Family	927,594.00	31/12/2011
QLD05	The Smith Family	765,702.00	31/12/2011
QLD06	Queensland Youth Industry Links Inc	524,130.00	31/12/2011
QLD07	Worklinks Inc	350,000.00	31/12/2011
QLD08	Community Solutions Inc	593,084.00	31/12/2011
QLD09	The Smith Family	530,559.00	31/12/2011
QLD10	t/a Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ)	350,000.00	31/12/2011
QLD11	t/a Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ)	493,764.00	31/12/2011
QLD12	t/a Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ)	350,000.00	31/12/2011

QLD13	t/a Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ)	355,524.00	31/12/2011
QLD14	t/a Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ)	499,568.00	31/12/2011
QLD15	Vocational Partnerships Group Inc	574,648.00	31/12/2011
QLD16	t/a Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ)	350,000.00	31/12/2011
SA01/SA05	AITEC	405,000.00	31/12/2012
SA02/SA06	Northern Futures Incorporated	430,000.00	31/12/2011
SA03/SA07	Community Partnerships @ Work Incorporated	430,000.00	31/12/2012
SA04	Western Futures Inc	325,000.00	31/12/2012
SA08/SA09	Eyre Futures Inc	640,795.00	31/12/2012
SA10	Limestone Coast Regional Development Board Inc	340,000.00	31/12/2012
SA11	School and Beyond Inc	350,000.00	31/12/2011
SA12	Barossa and Lower North Futures Connect Inc	370,000.00	31/12/2012
TAS01	Colony 47 Inc	268,440.00	31/12/2012
TAS02	Colony 47 Inc	268,923.00	31/12/2012
TAS03	Tasmanian Life Long Learning Inc t/a Northern Youth Transition Brokers	269,361.00	31/12/2012
TAS04	Tasmanian Life Long Learning Inc t/a Northern Youth Transition Brokers	271,052.00	31/12/2012
WA01	Great Southern Employment Development Committee	332,141.00	31/12/2011
WA02	Great Southern Employment Development Committee	363,672.00	31/12/2011
WA03	Canning Coalition Inc	409,777.00	31/12/2011
WA04/06	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Western Australia	352,179.00	31/12/2011
WA05	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Western Australia	491,956.00	31/12/2011
WA07	Wunan Foundation	335,963.00	31/12/2011
WA08	Geraldton Regional Community Education Centre Association Inc	353,140.00	31/12/2011
WA09/10	Midland Job Link	341,456.00	31/12/2011
WA11	JobLink Enterprises	347,267.00	31/12/2011
WA12	Midland Job Link	438,763.00	31/12/2011
WA13	Great Southern Employment Development Committee	338,356.00	31/12/2011
WA14	BJL Connecting Communities	490,434.00	31/12/2011
	TOTAL	34,417,767.00	