

## **Western Australia**

FINANCIAL YEAR TO DATE SUMMARY July 2020 to March 2021

> **Connecting Australia's biggest business** with our regions' smallest businesses

The Local Buying Program (LBP) provides opportunities for small businesses in the eligible regions of the WA to competitively supply goods and services to BHP Western Australia Iron Ore (WAIO) assets, BHP Operations Services in Western Australia and Western Australia Australian Petroleum Unit (WAAPU). The LBP commenced in Western Australia in 2017 for WAIO assets and 2021 for WAAPU assets; and is delivered in partnership between BHP and C-Res. C-Res, a cost neutral entity, delivers the LBP across all BHP Minerals Australia assets and BHP Western Australia Petroleum.







### **Local Buying Program | Regional Highlights**

Region	Approved Spend		Local Business Participation		Approved Work Opportunities	
Other	\$11,584,899	32%	25	8%	95	6%
Shire of Ashburton	\$382,371	1%	23	8%	35	1%
Shire of East Pilbara	\$12,077,694	34%	82	27%	941	56%
Shire of Exmouth	\$0	0%	7	3%	0	0%
Town of Port Hedland	\$11,750,756	33%	164	54%	624	37%

BHP Buyers creating 371 work opportunities

Small local businesses 301 approved with LBP



July 2020 to March 2021



"The growing amount of work requested through the Program is driving us to increase our workforce and capability, which in turn is helping our local community thrive."



# Local Buying Program BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

"The Local Buying Program made for an easier process for invoicing which meant quicker payment terms for the small local business suppliers."

BHP Buyer | WAAPU



#### LBP AND BHP CONTINUE TO SUPPORT LOCAL

Newman business, Froggy Services, was recently awarded work at BHP Mining Area C to ensure the site's compliance to bushfire management procedure, fire risk management and maintain facility integrity and aesthetics. Engaging Froggy Services meant site resources could be utilised more effectively. Once the gap was identified, a Request For Quote was created on the LBP portal to test the local market, and Froggy Services provided a cost effective and timely quote.

#### LBP INTEGRAL TO SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH

Commitment from the LBP to support small local businesses is evidenced when feedback identifies that business growth has lead to employment opportunities and increased engagement with BHP sites. Newman based i24S were recently engaged via the LBP to provide cleaning services and as a result of the successful delivery, will be engaged again during another shutdown in April. i24S have successfully gained more work opportunities with BHP and in turn are providing employment and contract opportunities to other small businesses in the local area.



#### LBP DELIVERS ON PAYMENT TERMS

One of the many benefits for LBP registered suppliers is the reduced payment terms of 21 days from receipt of invoice, providing small businesses a smooth and regular payment stream. C-Res recently worked with BHP Australian Production Unit (Petroleum) staff to engage a local business to provide a reliable laundry service for staff accommodation, then assisted the Supplier, BriJarCass Services, with the claiming process to ensure part claiming would deliver cash flow benefits.

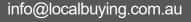






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**Shire of East Pilbara I Town of Port Hedland** 



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Launched in July 2020, the Local Buying Foundation (LBF) is a critical element of the Local Buying Program (LBP). In Western Australia, BHP makes a financial contribution to the LBF for every approved LBP transaction. The aim of the LBF is to enhance the economic sustainability of regions within the operational footprint of BHP Minerals Australia assets and BHP Operations Services in Western Australia. We do this through the support of programs and initiatives that target local business training and development needs.

#### Foundation to Date (July 2020 - March 2021)



#### **Projects Approved:**

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 Port Hedland Chamber of Commerce and Industry Economic and Resources Forum

The Foundation is a Gold Sponsor for this forum, which gathers the leading industry experts together to present to approx. 250 people in Port Hedland. The main focus is on the insights around the next generation of economic growth in Hedland.

 Port Hedland Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Series

The Port Hedland Women in Business series will showcase inspiring leaders and their diverse success stories to support women in business in the Pilbara. This is a four part event in 2021.



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