



Safer Neighbourhoods Impact Report

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A safe neighbourhood is one in which people feel secure in their home, on their street and in public spaces. It is where crime rates are low, there is a collective sense of community, and the environment is strategically designed with everyone's welfare in mind.

The Town takes a community development approach to community safety, addressing safety concerns, and providing services to the community. Many of the projects and services implemented by the Town are in direct partnership with the community, or in direct response to a community priority or a community strength.

Our goals: Provide safe environments; reduce the impact of real and perceived crime; advocate State and Federal Government agencies to enhance safety within the Town.

Strategic alignment: S1 Helping people feel safe

S2 Collaborating to ensure everyone has a place to call home

KEY PROJECTS DELIVERED THIS YEAR

104
applications
for safety
grant funding

- CCTV Partnership Program
- Security Incentive Scheme

We subsidised installation of **310** total CCTV and security devices for residents.



386
households
connected

- [Street Meet n Greet](#) grant funding

We built capacity in residents to grow local community networks.



\$154,740

grant funding invested in initiatives that help people feel safe.

500+
engagements
with people
experiencing
homelessness

- Assertive Outreach Program

We engage an outreach service to build respectful relationships with people experiencing hardship and to connect people to services and support.



Partnered with
16+
organisations to
work for positive
change

- [Homelessness Action Plan](#)

We partnered with key stakeholders, facilitated connections, raised awareness and created support resources to help meet the needs of people experiencing homelessness.



Community Scorecard 2023 Results

Measure	Overall Performance Index Score	People with disability	CaLD	First Nations	Industry average
Community safety and crime prevention	40 (52% positive rating)	32	31	49	49
Lighting of streets and public places	47 (63% positive rating)	41	40	54	53

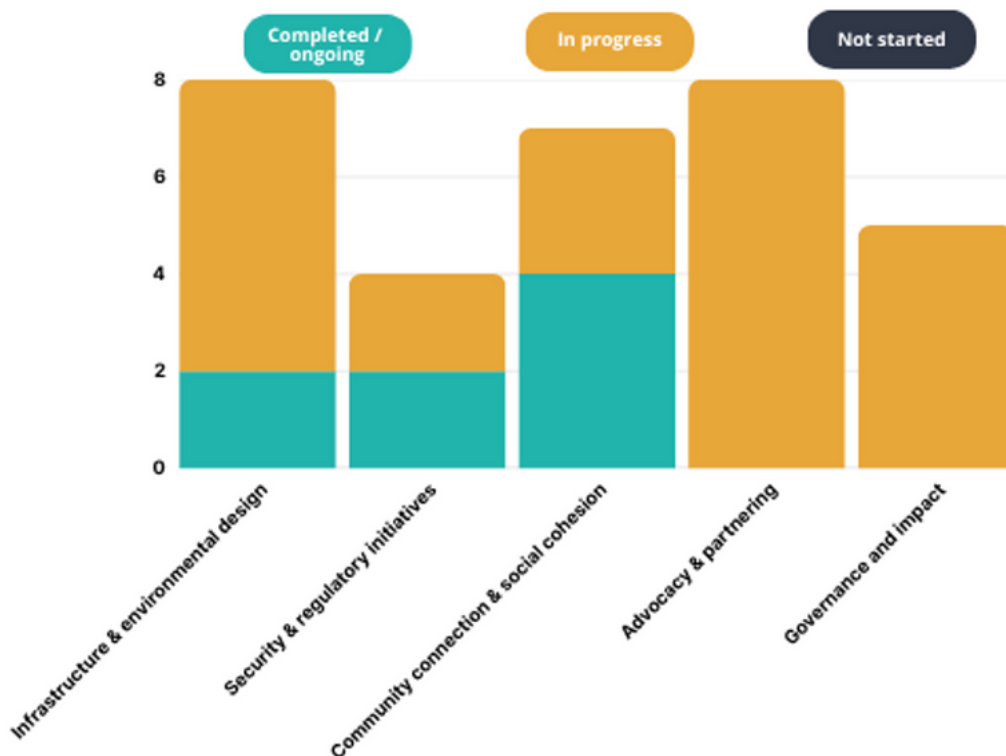
[To view the 2023 Community Scorecard click here](#)

Goals for Community Scorecard 2027 Results

Increase scores to closer align with industry averages

Increase scores from people with disability and people from CaLD communities to closer align with overall scores

Actions 2024 – 2025





Highlights 2024 – 2025



[Click here for a full list of Actions delivered this year.](#)

We supported vulnerable and at-risk groups through building community connections and capacity to deliver early intervention, outreach, support and rehabilitation services by
Updating the Support Services directories and distributing over 2000 copies through Rangers, Outreach Services, local service delivery providers, Town facilities and online.
Providing \$11,044 in rebates to help people build connections with their neighbours through the Street Meet n Greet Program
Engaging an Outreach Service which provided 15 cases of crisis assistance and supported 13 Returns to Country
Delivering the Community Safety Day

We empowered residents, businesses and community groups to contribute to reducing crime by distributing
\$61,964 in subsidising installation of CCTV in 90 households through the CCTV Partnership Program
\$41,732 in subsidising installation of security devices across 220 households through the Security Incentive Scheme

We contributed to safer, brighter, livelier and more accessible public spaces by delivering
Bike paths installed in Archer and Mint streets.
2,350 graffiti cleaning jobs totalling 6,514 square metres of graffiti cleaned.
A Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design project focusing on street lighting.

Impact Story: Spotlight on the Community Safety Day

We invested \$7,284 in a Community Safety Day event
to
increase community awareness of safety measures
and improve
connections between community and local safety services
contributing to
helping people feel safe in the Town of Victoria Park.

Feedback from participants

"I think the mix of informative stallholders and
activities like
police, fire and boat crew really made it stand out
from other events."



"The highlight for me was
watching all the children
enjoying the different
stakeholder activities
while learning about
community safety."



"The event fostered a great
atmosphere of
enthusiasm, and it was
clear that people of all
ages walked away with
new ideas about how they
could contribute to
making our community
safer."