# QUARTERLY REPORT 2024 APR-JUN

AN OVERVIEW OF THE FIRST QUARTER SINCE STANDING UP OUR PLACE-BASED INITIATIVE



Connected Communities, Growing Together and Alive with Opportunities

# THIS QUARTER'S WINS



PM role funded for additional 12 months to April 2026! Department of State Development REFF

## This is your Interim Steering Committee:

Scott Reed (Chair)
Natasha Scholefield (Deputy)
Allan Bougoure
Chris Mitchell
Ken Riddiford
Leah Rook
Louise Judge
Tania Marshall

# Working Groups are seeking your input!



Housing Working Group aims to identify, accelerate, enhance, and promote housing opportunities across the region.



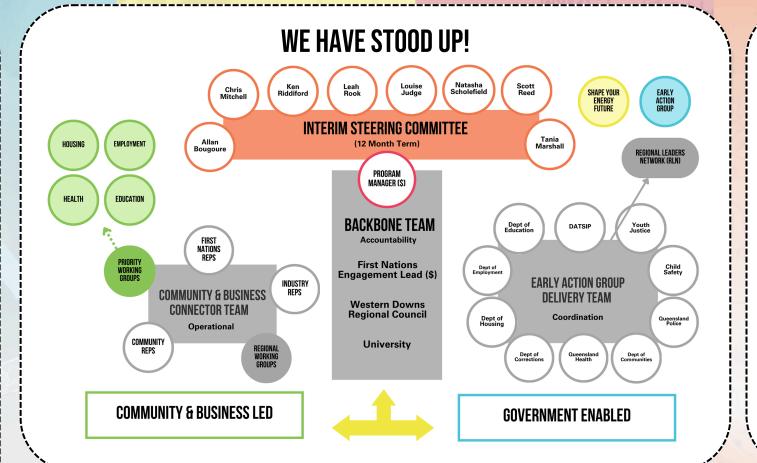
Employment Working Group is collaborating on the Theory of Change to reduce persistent skills shortages within the Western Downs region.



Education Working Group is collaborating proactively to enhance the educational and life-long learning opportunities across the Western Downs region.



Health Working Group aims to align networks to build a common agenda through the Health Sustainability Futures Group.



# **UPCOMING DATES**

10 July Queensland Community Renewables Forum

12 July UQ-DDHIRC Rural Regional Remote Health Research Forum

> 31 July Ag Jobs Fair

6 August Surat Basin Energy Summit

24 September WDF Working Group Forum

# **FUNDING STATUS**

## **Approved**



Department of State Development Regional Economic Futures Fund (REFF) \$400,000



Western Downs Regional Council 24/25 Budget \$80,000 + first 12 months of PM role.

#### **Submitted**



Advance Queensland Regional Futures - Collaborative Projects (RFCP) \$50,000 (no cash contributions recieved)

### Unsuccessful



Queensland Government State Budget Proposal 24/25

# PROGRAM MANAGER ACTIVITY

- ATTENDED 37+ MEETINGS
- DELIVERED 5+ PRESENTATIONS
- FACILITATED 11+ WORKSHOPS







