

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

**Group 3**

**Program 1.6**

**Question No. 63**

**Senator Wright asked the following question at the hearing on 24 May 2012:**

**Senator WRIGHT:** Would you please provide details of how much money annually has been allocated from the confiscated assets account to fund community programs over the past three years.

**Mr I Anderson:** Since November 2007, \$32 million has gone to community programs.

**Senator WRIGHT:** Since 2007 until the current time?

**Mr I Anderson:** Yes, that is to the current time.

**Senator WRIGHT:** To today or this month? It is not a very specific time frame.

**Mr I Anderson:** That was from November 2007 until 11 May.

**Senator WRIGHT:** Thank you very much. That is an interesting time frame to choose. Why is it from November 2007?

**Mr I Anderson:** That is simply the figure that I have with me—

**Senator WRIGHT:** I will ask you to take on notice, then, the last three financial years.

**Mr I Anderson:** Certainly.

**Senator WRIGHT:** Thank you.

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**Senator WRIGHT:** Have the Australian Federal Police also received funding under the confiscated assets account at any time?

**Mr I Anderson:** A number of government agencies have received funding from the confiscated assets account. Funding can be made available for law enforcement purposes.

**Senator WRIGHT:** But no government agencies—is that what you said?

**Mr I Anderson:** No, I said quite a lot of government agencies have received funds.

**Senator WRIGHT:** Sorry, I did not hear you. Which law enforcement programs have been funded?

**Mr I Anderson:** It is a number. It would probably be easier if I took it on notice.

**Senator WRIGHT:** Thank you for that.

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

The amounts allocated to community programs from the Confiscated Assets Account in the past three financial years are:

<b>Financial year</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>
2009-10	\$10,042,822	43 crime prevention and four Indigenous prisoner through-care projects
2010-11	\$13,808,765	100 general crime prevention projects and four people trafficking NGO projects
2011-12	\$7,447,537	75 crime prevention projects
	<b>\$31,299,124</b>	

The following law enforcement projects have received funding from the Confiscated Assets Account under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002*:

Organisation	Project Title	Amount	Status of Project	Date of Ministerial Approval
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	Firearms Management System Scoping Study	\$1,000,000.00	Project complete	26 May 2004
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	Review of the Extradition Act 1988, the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act 1987, and intensive bilateral treaty negotiations	\$1,119,347.00	Project complete	23 December 2004
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	South East Asian Collaborative Group on Precursors	\$310,000.00	Project complete	19 September 2006
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	South East Asian Collaborative Group on Precursors	\$166,602.90	Project complete	6 January 2007
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	Shared Responsibility Agreements	\$600,000.00	Project complete	8 March 2007
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	South East Asian Collaborative Group on Precursors	\$252,000.00	Project complete	13 July 2007
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	Combating People Trafficking	\$250,000.00	Project active	22 October 2008
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	Pacific Islands Law Officers' Network (PILON)	\$400,000.00	Project Active	15 December 2009
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	Implementing Border Controls on Tablet Presses	\$300,000.00	Project Active	15 December 2009
Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	Asia Pacific AMLAT project (Anti-Money Laundering Assistance)	\$790,730.00	Project active	15 April 2010

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Attorney-General's Department (AGD)	National Anti-Corruption Policy Statement	\$737,986.00	Project active	12 September 2011
Attorney-General's Department (AGD) / Australian Taxation Office (ATO)	Document Verification Study	\$508,574.00	Project complete	23 December 2004
Attorney-General's Department (AGD) / Victorian Police	National Firearms Management System	\$500,000.00	Project complete	29 March 2007
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (ACLEI)	Surveillance Capability Enhancement Pilot	\$2,649,268.00	Project active	28 November 2011
Australian Crime Commission (ACC)	Lost and Stolen Document Register Feasibility Study	\$33,950.00	Project complete	27 September 2005
Australian Crime Commission (ACC)	Sentinel Strategy	\$5,000,000.00	Project active	23 September 2009
Australian Crime Commission (ACC)	ACID/ALEIN project	\$2,000,000.00	Project active	7 January 2011
Australian Crime Commission (ACC)	Governance and Administrative Audit of the ACC	\$100,000.00	Project complete	
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Enhanced IT Intelligence Functionality (Project Walshingham)	\$1,000,000.00	Project complete	12 August 2004
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	In-Car Computing	\$394,000.00	Project complete	1 July 2005
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Disaster Victim Identification (DVI) Commander Training	\$200,000.00	Project complete	25 July 2006

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Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Disaster Victim Identification (DVI) Database	\$200,000.00	Project complete	25 July 2006
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	International Policing Towards 2020 conference	\$200,000.00	Project complete	17 October 2007
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Proceeds of Crime Conference	\$105,350.00	Project complete	25 June 2008
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Covert Aerial Surveillance Platform (CASP)	\$1,146,996.00	Project complete	31 July 2008
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Asia Pacific Group Meeting	\$72,000.00	Project complete	23 October 2008
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	National Drug Precursor Risk Assessment Capability (NDPRAC)	\$1,795,000.00	Project Active	15 December 2009
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Enhanced National Intelligence Picture on Illicit Drugs (ENIPID)	\$5,864,000.00	Project Active	15 December 2009
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Virtual Global Taskforce Conference	\$259,000.00	Project active	2 December 2010
Australian Federal Police (AFP)	Criminal Assets Confiscation Taskforce	\$1,946,801.00	Project active	12 September 2011
Australian Institute of Criminology (AIC)	Drug Use Monitoring in Australia (DUMA)	\$360,000.00	Project complete	1 August 2005
Australian Institute of Criminology (AIC)	Firearms Theft Monitoring Program	\$400,000.00	Project active	3 April 2006
Australian Institute of Criminology (AIC)	Cybercrime / ID Fraud	\$750,000.00	Project complete	25 July 2006

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Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC)	Reform of Measures to Combat Money Laundering and the Financing of Terrorism	\$1,919,419.00	Project complete	28 February 2006
Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC)	Financial Intelligence Data Management	\$3,185,854.00	Project active	26 February 2009
Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC)	Enhanced Remitter Registration project	\$2,950,000.00	Project active	28 February 2011
Crimtrac	Australian National Child Offender Register (ANCOR)	\$713,333.00	Project complete	1 August 2005
Crimtrac	Minimum Nationwide Person Profile Project (MNPP)	\$1,900,000.00	Project complete	6 October 2006
Crimtrac	Automated Number Plate Recognition	\$2,223,000.00	Project complete	20 April 2007
Customs and Border Protection Service	CCTV Upgrade at Australian International Airports	\$890,000.00	Project complete	24 August 2004
Customs and Border Protection Service	Customs Electronic Signage	\$1,500,000.00	Project complete	26 November 2006
National Institute of Forensic Science (NIFS)	18th International Symposium on the Forensic Sciences	\$60,000.00	Project complete	28 November 2005
National Institute of Forensic Science (NIFS)	Improved Closed Set DNA Project	\$900,000.00	Project complete	3 April 2006

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National Institute of Forensic Science (NIFS)	Forensics Standards Development	\$454,000.00	Project active	8 June 2010
NSW Police	Participation in Waterfront taskforce	\$2,900,000.00	Project active	24 November 2010
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$51,007,210.90</b>		