The 2010-11 State Budget demonstrates our plan to build a recovery is working.

The tough decisions we have taken are strengthening our State’s economy and our finances. While the recovery is now underway, we are not out of the woods yet. Our massive building program will continue to deliver jobs today and the infrastructure of the future.

Our growing population means we need to invest in more teachers, more police, more health workers and this Budget delivers on our priorities.

A new Regional First Home Owner Boost of $4,000 for new homes will help guide growth to the regions. Our commitment to building the regions once again sees over 57% of the building program being undertaken outside the Brisbane area.

This State Budget shows we are on track to build a better future.

In a world that is dominated by an uncertain recovery, this State Budget delivers a growing economy and more jobs.

Through strong discipline we are seeing the deficit and debt lowered and we are on track to return to surplus. The economic reform agenda we put in place is working – and we need to stick to our plan in the face of global uncertainty.

Our strategy means we can continue to deliver more hospitals and schools and other vital infrastructure our growing population needs.

Through our determination we are building a stronger economic recovery, delivering jobs and preparing our State for a prosperous future.
2010-11 Budget Highlights for Fitzroy

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- **$64.9 million** for vocational education and training, including apprenticeships and traineeships.
- **$1.1 million** towards the $3 million upgrade of the Calliope Police Station.
- **$200,000** of $2.8 million to relocate and upgrade the Emerald fire and rescue station.
- **$6 million** of $12.3 million to repair, widen and strengthen a section of the Capricorn Highway between Duaringa and Emerald.
- **$5 million** over two years towards a swimming facility as part of the Rockhampton Riverbank Redevelopment Stage Two.
- **$38 million** to continue the $149.1 million expansion of Rockhampton Hospital, in partnership with the Australian Government.

- **$5.7 million** to complete the $9.2 million air conditioning replacements and electrical upgrades at Blackwater State High School, Emerald State High School, Emerald State School, Emerald North State School and Denison State School.
- **$4.5 million** to acquire land for the Callide Infrastructure Corridor to transport coal seam gas from Callide to the proposed Curtis Island liquefied natural gas plants.
- **$29.5 million** for the $70 million Calliope Range deviation on the Dawson Highway between Gladstone and Biloela.
- **$3.8 million** to deliver new job creation programs and grow a skilled workforce.
- **$17 million** to redevelop the Gladstone Community, Mental and Oral Health Consolidation on the Gladstone Hospital campus.
- **$900,000** to complete the $1.8 million early learning and care centre at Clinton State School.
- **$610,000** to complete the $640,000 renewal of general learning areas at Toolooa State High School.
- **$40.2 million** for capacity improvements and upgrades of the RG Tanna Coal Terminal at the Port of Gladstone.

- **$300,000** of $2.4 million to replace the ambulance station at Gladstone.
- **$6 million** to progress planning and preliminary works for a grade-separated crossing over the Blackwater Rail Line connecting the Capricorn Highway to the proposed Gracemere-Stanwell industrial corridor, west of Rockhampton.

- **$230,000** to support local development organisations to promote, strengthen and grow rural and regional economies.
- **$200,000** of $2.8 million to relocate and upgrade the Emerald fire and rescue station.

**Queensland’s regions – our strength**

Growing our State’s regions is critical to maintaining Queensland’s strength.

- The 2010-11 State Budget commits more than 57% of the building program outside Brisbane.
- We have introduced a $4,000 Regional First Home Owner Boost for new homes, on top of the $7,000 grant already provided by the State Government.
- Our business incentives program has earmarked two-thirds of its funding for business attraction initiatives outside the Greater Brisbane area.
- We are building or redeveloping eight regional hospitals and investing $173 million (over four years) in new cancer treatment services in regional Queensland.
- A $1.301 billion investment in roads outside the south-east corner and new infrastructure plans will guide regional growth.

The Fitzroy region’s uniqueness and diversity are among the key building blocks of this State.