### **Transport for NSW**



# Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Get Kids Active**

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### What is the Get Kids Active program?

The Get Kids Active program aims to help make it safer, easier, and more fun for kids to walk and ride to and from school.

The program includes:

- Funding for infrastructure and street improvements around schools for walking and riding.
- Improving walking and riding amenities at schools such as bike and scooter racks and repair stations on school grounds.
- Encouraging walking and riding to and from school via education and behaviour change initiatives.

# How many and what type of infrastructure projects were funded in the FY2025/26 program?

24 walking and riding to school projects were funded under the FY2025/26 program including raised pedestrian crossings, footpaths and shared paths.

All being delivered around schools to make it safer and easier for more children and their families to walk or ride to school.

# What will be the outcomes of the Get Kids Active infrastructure projects?

Upgraded and wider footpaths, safer crossings and new street trees will be some of the features of these projects. These initiatives all aim to provide a safer and more comfortable walk or ride to and from school for parents and kids and will be delivered within two years.

# How soon will Get Kids Active FY2025/26 infrastructure projects be

**delivered?** Get Kids Active projects must be delivered within two years of councils being notified that they were successful.

### How many primary schools will benefit from Get Kids Active projects?

The FY2025/26 program funding will benefit 24 primary schools across the state, in addition to the 30 projects that were funded in FY2024/25.



#### What was the criteria for Get Kids Active FY2025/26 funding?

The \$10 million in funding was for neighbourhood infrastructure that connects to schools.

The Get Kids Active program funds projects between \$100,000 and \$800,000.

Applications were required to address:

- Delivery of infrastructure addressing safety / connectivity gaps across neighbourhoods
- Targeted infrastructure within 500 metres of walking catchments to primary schools
- The level and type of engagement that has occurred with the school about the project and include a letter of support from the school Principal (or their delegate).
- Commitment to deliver the infrastructure within two vears.

Was the funding for walking and riding projects to school only available within catchment areas of local government schools?

No. Infrastructure projects within 500 metres of a government or non-government primary school were eligible to apply for Get NSW Active's FY2025/26 active travel to school funding.

Why were projects associated with high schools not eligible for the \$10 million Get Kids Active funding pool?

In the initial years of program establishment, the \$10 million of funding is targeted at supporting safe journeys for primary school age children. Projects associated with enabling high school walking and riding journeys were still eligible for the remaining \$50 million Get NSW Active funding.

For the Get NSW Active program 40% of the funding was allocated to regional NSW and 15% to Western Parkland City, is that also the case for Get Kids Active?

Yes. After grant submissions were assessed, shortlisted grants were prioritised, with 40% being allocated to regional NSW, and 15% to Western Parkland City.

#### What are the new education and behaviour change initiatives?

Families have the opportunity to sign up for bike skills courses at selected public primary schools during the NSW public school holidays.

Transport for NSW has partnered with the NSW Department of Education and AusCycling to offer these courses free of charge. Go to AusBike School Holiday Programs Happening Near You for more details.

Has the community been able to provide feedback on walking and riding to school?

Have Your Say on walking and riding to school was open and promoted across NSW from November 2023 to the end of February 2024.

The feedback will help the NSW Government understand what things would need to change to encourage parents and carers to walk or bike ride with their children to school more often.

The Have Your Say received over 12,000 visits and over 3.500 contributions. We have reviewed and consolidated your feedback and it is now available for you to read in the Travel to and from School Insights report.



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