

# 2020-21 Budget Estimates Hearing

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee

**The Hon Daniel Andrews MP**

Premier of Victoria

Friday 27 November

## The *Jobs Plan*, our plan for Victorian jobs and Victorian workers



Getting Victorians  
back to work



Building our state  
as we rebuild  
our economy



Supporting industries  
and leveraging  
our strengths



Ensuring no community  
and no Victorian  
is left behind

# Getting Victorians back to work



- ✓ **\$1 billion for training and skills** to give Victorians the skills to get back to work, including providing up to 80 000 new training places over four years.
- ✓ **\$836 million for the New Jobs Tax Credit** for businesses who rehire staff, to restore hours and create new jobs to stimulate the economy.
- ✓ **\$619 million for Jobs for Victoria** to provide targeted and tailored support for Victorians who are unemployed. This includes:
  - ✓ **\$250 million for wage subsidies** with at least \$150 million for getting women back into ongoing, permanent work.
- ✓ **\$5 million to develop a Secure Work Pilot Scheme.** Once in place, this two-year pilot will provide up to five days of sick and carers pay at the national minimum age for casual or insecure workers in priority industries.

## Supporting women back into work



- ✓ **\$250 million for tutors** to bring students up to speed. The initiative will recruit more than 4 100 tutors across government and non-government schools for post-pandemic support, with around 80 per cent expected to be filled by women.
- ✓ **\$235 million for the Recovery Workforce** to support 500 new jobs across the mental health, family violence, health and child protection sectors.
- ✓ **\$170 million to make kinder free** next year.
- ✓ **\$82 million to increase outside hours school care availability**, to encourage more women back into work.
- ✓ **\$17 million to continue to promote gender equality in Victoria** by advancing implementation of Victoria's Gender Equality Strategy – Safe and Strong – which will promote Victorian women's participation and leadership in the workforce.
- ✓ **\$5 million** for the **Women in Construction Strategy**.
- ✓ **\$2.3 million** for the **Women in Transport Program** to deliver training, scholarship and employment opportunities.

## Building our state as we rebuild our economy



- ✓ **\$6 billion for the Big Housing Build** including \$5.3 billion to construct more than 12,000 new social and affordable homes, creating 10,000 jobs on average each year for four years.
- ✓ **\$2.2 billion for the Suburban Rail Loop** to transform Victoria's public transport system and connect Melbourne's middle suburbs.
- ✓ **\$2.0 billion for Geelong Fast Rail** to build faster, more frequent and more reliable services to Geelong, supporting our state's busiest regional rail.
- ✓ **\$1.9 billion school building blitz**, with 162 school upgrades and more new schools, bringing total investment to \$3 billion since the pandemic began.
- ✓ **\$1.6 billion investment to improve energy efficiency** in Victorian homes and accelerate clean energy initiatives.
- ✓ **\$1.4 billion for Phase One of the Melbourne Arts Precincts Transformation** to attract visitors from interstate and overseas, creating thousands of local jobs and giving families a new public place to enjoy and explore.

## Supporting industries and leveraging our strengths



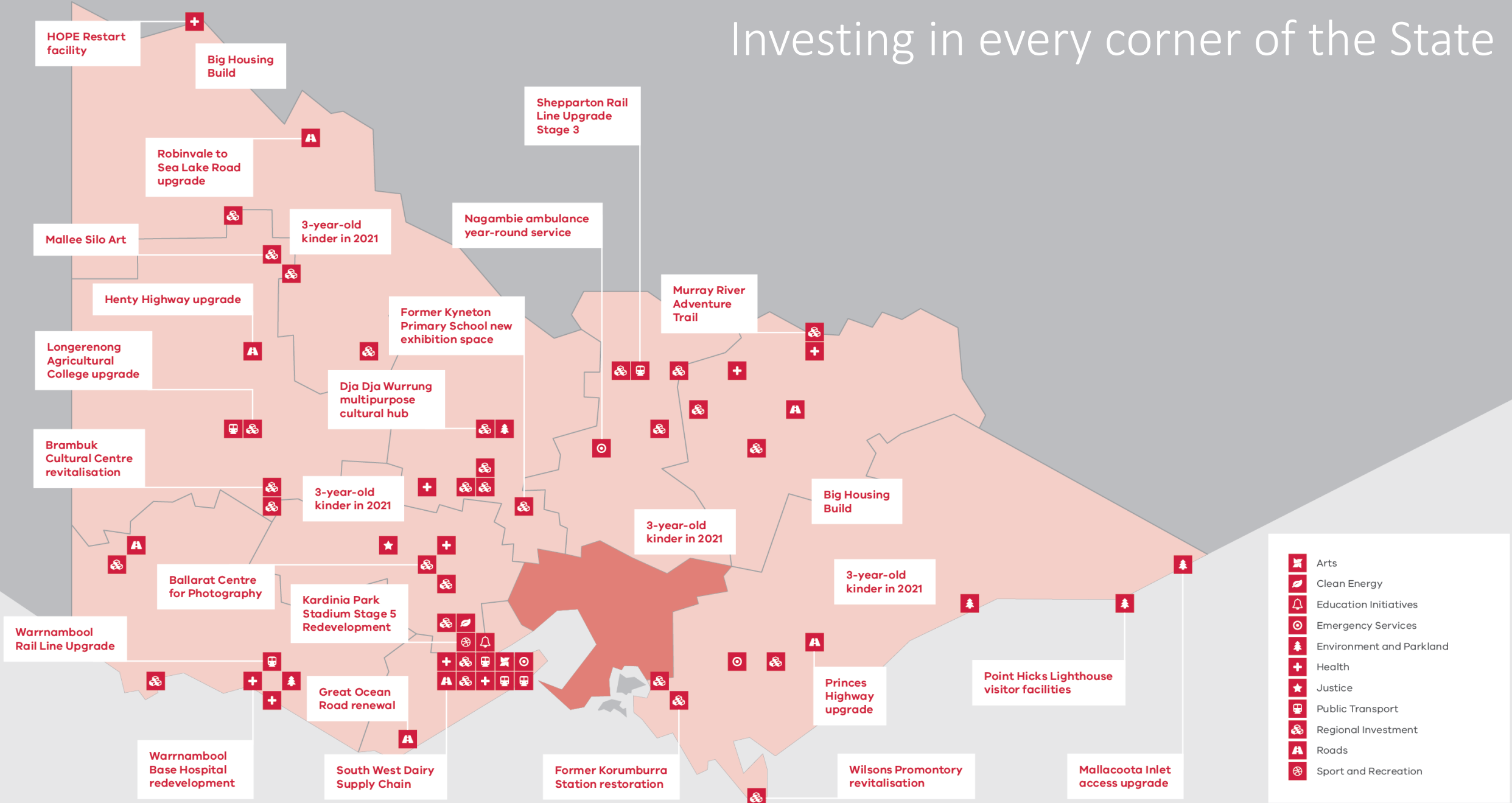
- ✓ **\$2 billion Breakthrough Victoria Fund** to drive investment in research, innovation and the next great breakthrough – focusing on health and life-sciences, agri-food, advanced manufacturing, clean energy and digital technologies.
- ✓ **\$626 million for Victoria’s Digital Future Now** to eradicate mobile blackspots in populated areas and funding for business-grade broadband in suburbs and regional towns.
- ✓ **\$210 million to support the research and growth of our medical research** organisations and institutes, including the Australian Institute for Infectious Disease.
- ✓ **\$120 million to strengthen advanced manufacturing** capabilities and to support local industries including agri-food and digital technology.

# Ensuring no community and no Victorian is left behind



- ✓ **\$465 million to restart Victoria's regional visitor economy** and to support thousands of jobs in local economies, including **\$28 million to provide Victorian Regional Travel Vouchers** to kickstart regional tourism and to encourage Victorian to explore their own backyard.
- ✓ **\$156 million for the Regional Jobs and Infrastructure Fund** to back local priorities.
- ✓ **\$75 million to extend and expand the Growing Suburbs Fund** to support our suburbs and invest in our communities.
- ✓ **\$65 million landmark agriculture strategy** to lay the foundations for a more innovative and sustainable agriculture sector.
- ✓ **\$63 million towards the School and Community Safety Program** to improve traffic flow, new walking paths and safety upgrades around Victorian schools.

# Investing in every corner of the State





# Suburban investment



- Arts
- Digital Future
- Education Initiatives
- Emergency Services
- Environment and Parkland
- Health
- Housing
- Justice
- Public Transport
- Roads
- Sport and Recreation
- Strong Communities

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