



Emergency Management Services



Background

- ▶ Emergency risk management (ERM) was accepted in principle by all States and Territories and implementation began from July 1999
- ▶ Workshops on ERM began in Western Australia
- ▶ Feedback from participants was support in principle however the issue of funding and resourcing may prevent the implementation of ERM



Background

- ▶ No Emergency Management legislation in Western Australia
- ▶ Local Government workshop was held in March 2000
- ▶ Main issues identified by Local Government included funding and resourcing
- ▶ Discussions between FESA and Emergency Management Australia (EMA) highlighted this issue
- ▶ EMA identified a source of funding and distributed to FESA

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Background

- ▶ The funding from the Commonwealth must result in enhanced emergency risk management arrangements within Western Australia



Local Government

- ▶ From the onset Local Government was involved in the decision making process
- ▶ During the planning stage of the program research was undertaken with each Local Government (LG)
- ▶ Survey was sent to all CEO's from 144 LGA's throughout Western Australia



Local Government

- ▶ The response rate was almost 60%
- ▶ Funding preference requests were for:
 - 💰 Scholarship
 - 💰 Grants scheme
 - 💰 Regional training
 - 💰 Consultant



AWARE Program

- ▶ The funding associated with the AWARE program enables local government and their community to identify emergency risks or hazards and develop appropriate treatment options through the ERM process
- ▶ The program facilitates the ERM process through scholarship funding, a grant scheme and customised training in emergency risk management



AWARE Program

AIM

To enhance emergency risk management
within Western Australia through local
government



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AWARE Program

OBJECTIVES

- ▶ Identify and develop current and future emergency risk management (ERM) leaders in the community
- ▶ Enhance the ERM skills and understanding of local communities
- ▶ Identify opportunities and fund ERM strategies, to advance ERM in the community
- ▶ Increase the involvement of emergency management practitioners and local communities on focussed ERM programs



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OBJECTIVES

- ▶ Increase community awareness of the value of effective ERM
- ▶ Improve ERM support systems for local communities
- ▶ Encourage the integration of ERM as part of organisational culture in local government



Strategies

SCHOLARSHIP

- ▶ Identifies key local government player or champion of emergency management
- ▶ Significantly develop and skill the scholarship holder in ERM
- ▶ 12 month scholarship
- ▶ Access to a customised professional development program which may include:
 - training
 - travel and accommodation costs to attend training
 - salary subsidisation
- ▶ Access to EM publications and manuals through FESA and EMA



Scholarship

- ▶ Peer support group
- ▶ Teleconferences – if required
- ▶ Group development workshops – at least 1 per year
- ▶ Presentations - state and national conferences
- ▶ Local achievements:
 - Coordinated or managed an ERM project within their Local Government involving community consultation.
 - Developed or revised their Local Emergency Management arrangements.
 - Increased awareness of emergency management within their Local Government and community.
 - Motivated their Local Government and Local Emergency Management Committee to take a more pro-active interest in their local emergency management arrangements.



Scholarship

2002/03

▶ 7 Scholarship Holders

- John Balcombe Shire of Northam
- Sebastian Camillo City of South Perth
- John Edwards Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup
- Rob Marlborough Shire of Murray
- Fran McAllen Shire of Irwin
- Glenn Sargeson City of Bayswater
- Mike Scott Shire of York



Scholarship

2003/04

- ▶ 4 Scholarship Holders
 - Simon Gannaway Town of Narrogin
 - Kim Isbister Shire of Busselton
 - Barry Keys Shire of Dandaragan
 - Shaun Nancarrow Town of Nedlands



Scholarship

2004/05

- ▶ 3 Scholarship Holders
 - Simon Bowen Shire of Mundaring
 - Angela Plichota Shire of York
 - Lewis Winter City of Bunbury

Scholarship

2002/03 Scholarship Holders Graduation



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Strategies

GRANT SCHEME

- ▶ Provides access to funding for components of ERM projects
- ▶ Grants may include:
 - 💰 Salary subsidisation
 - 💰 Mitigation strategies
 - 💰 Other treatment options
 - 💰 Research studies



Grant Scheme

- ▶ 2002/03 - 11 projects
- 💰 Shire of Augusta-Margaret River
- 💰 City of Bayswater
- 💰 Shire of Boddington
- 💰 Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup including the City of Bunbury and Shires of Capel, Collie, Harvey and Dardanup
- 💰 Shire of Irwin
- 💰 City of Joondalup - City of Wanneroo
- 💰 Shire of Northam
- 💰 City of Stirling
- 💰 City of Swan
- 💰 Shire of Wickepin
- 💰 Shire of York

Grant Scheme

- ▶ 2003/04 - 7 projects
- 💰 Shire of Beverley - Shire of Quairading
- 💰 Shire of Dandaragan
- 💰 Shire of Gingin
- 💰 City of Joondalup - City of Wanneroo
- 💰 City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
- 💰 City of Nedlands
- 💰 Town of Vincent

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Grant Scheme

▶ 2004/05 - 3 projects

💰 Shire of Mundaring

💰 Shire of Murray

💰 Shire of Shark Bay

AWARE Program Emergency Risk Management Projects

2002/03 Projects

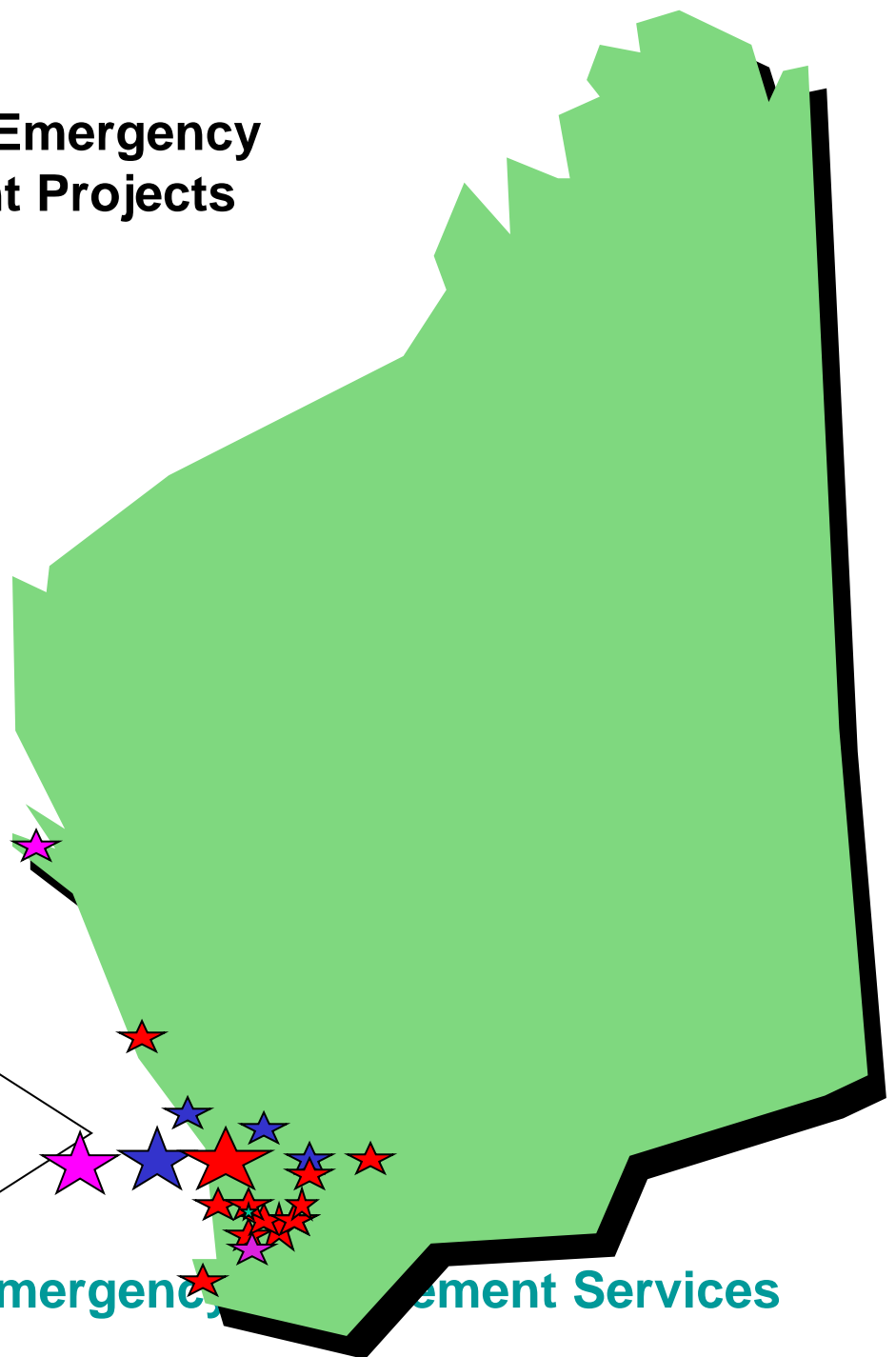
2003/04 Projects

2004/05 Projects

METRO PROJECTS include:
City of Bayswater, City of Joondalup,
Shire of Mundaring, City of Nedlands,
City of Stirling, City of Swan,
Town of Vincent, City of Wanneroo.

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Strategies

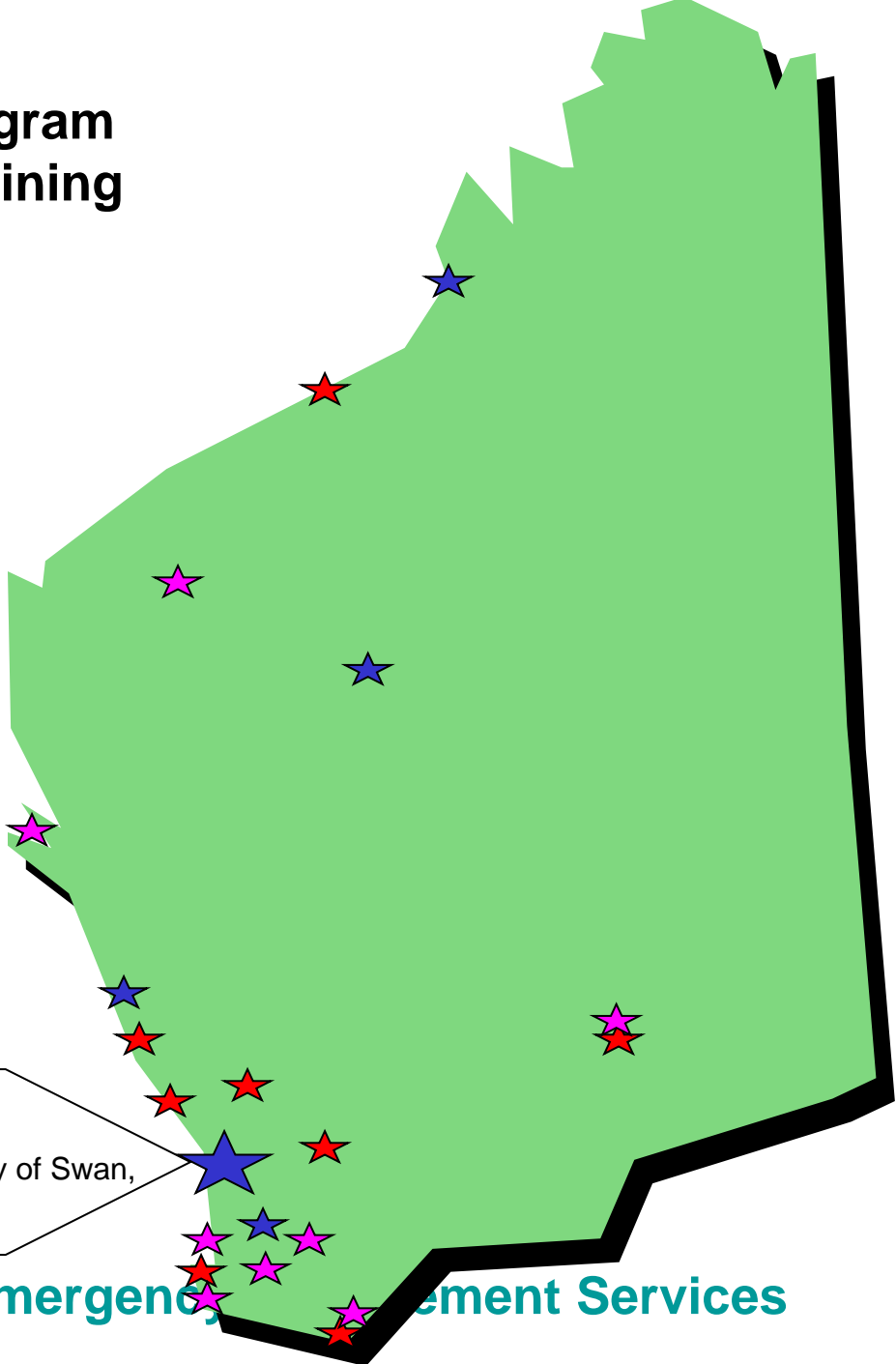
REGIONAL TRAINING

- ▶ Emergency risk management and recovery management training workshops available - 3 in total
- ▶ FESA coordinates and delivers local training workshops
- ▶ The cost of travel and accommodation is included with local workshops
- ▶ LG's will receive information about scheduled training activities in WA and at Emergency Management Australia Mt Macedon



AWARE Program Regional Training

- 2002/03 Training
- 2003/04 Training
- 2004/05 Training



METRO TRAINING included:
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City of South Perth, City of Stirling, City of Swan,
Town of Vincent, City of Wanneroo.

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National Award

2003 Australian Safer Communities Award



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Where to from here?

- ▶ FESA has committed to funding the AWARE Program on an annual basis
- ▶ Major review of the program including strategies and grant funding limits for the 2005/06 financial year
- ▶ The AWARE Program now includes Indigenous communities



Where to from here?

- ▶ Journal articles and conference presentations to increase awareness of the AWARE Program
- ▶ Increased general awareness of the benefits of the AWARE Program prior to Emergency Management legislation commencing in WA



Any questions?



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