



Sharon Grierson MP
Federal Member for Newcastle

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\$2 MILLION IN ROAD SAFETY FUNDING FOR NEWCASTLE

Federal Member for Newcastle Sharon Grierson has today welcomed the allocation of \$2,065,000 in Commonwealth funding for vital black-spot road safety projects for the electorate of Newcastle in 2007-08.

"Nine projects have been approved in Mayfield West, Waratah, Lambton, Hamilton, Hexham, Lambton and Stockton," Ms Grierson said.

"This is a significant injection of funds for the Newcastle Electorate, and I am pleased the Government has recognised the community's advocacy for, and input into, these road safety improvements in our City."

"In fact, the Federal Electorate of Newcastle has been allocated \$2 million out of the \$13.6 million funding approved for NSW."

"I also welcome the funds that have been allocated right across our region, including the announcement on Tuesday by the Member for Paterson that his electorate had been allocated \$293,000."

"No matter where we live, road safety is a vital issue for all of us."

"It is always disturbing to see the road toll at the end of each holiday period - especially among young people."

"This funding reminds us that we have to do all we can to improve safety on our roads."

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