

# Budget 2020-21

## Supporting women in sport – FIFA Women's World Cup

The Australian Government's strong support for the role of women in sport is demonstrated with initiatives to increase opportunities for women in the sport. The Government will help host the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 in Australia – the nation's largest sporting event since the Sydney 2000 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 will be the first to feature 32 teams. It will also be the first to be hosted by Australia and New Zealand – across two confederations.

## Why is this important?

Hosting the third largest global sporting event, the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023, will deliver extensive economic benefits and provide a rare platform to promote women's sport. The successful delivery of an event of this scale will strengthen Australia's reputation as a world leader in the promotion of women's sport, and provide extensive economic and leveraging opportunities to support Australia's recovery from COVID-19.

This support builds on the recent commitment to support Australia's Olympic, Paralympic and Commonwealth Games sports via high performance grants to NSOs (\$50.6m).

#### Who will benefit?

Hosting the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 will provide socio-economic benefits for Australia, including the creation of jobs.

### How much will this cost?

This will cost \$2.4 million in 2020-21.