

GREEN ADELAIDE

Highlights Report 2023-24

About us

We're working towards a cooler, greener, wilder and more climate-resilient metropolitan South Australia that celebrates our unique culture.

We do this by building strategic partnerships, investing in aligned cooling and greening activities, educating about nature, and delivering iconic rewilding projects.

As South Australia's first dedicated government urban environmental organisation, our work is unique as it restores natural environments amidst urbanisation, while also embedding Kaurna traditional practices in delivery.

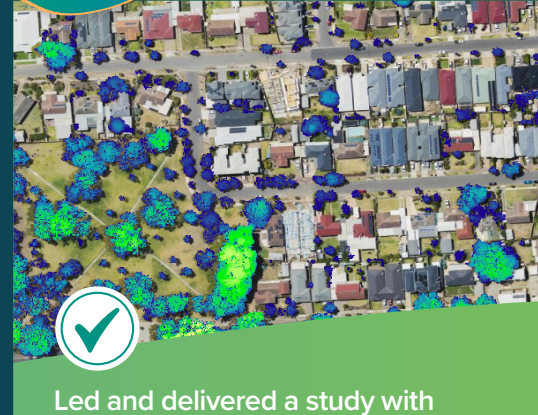
Success stories



Putting Adelaide's National Park City status on the global stage through our partnership to host the Joint International Congress in October 2023.



Diversified interest in our \$1 million Grassroots Grants, with the highest level of applications, as well as increased interest from less represented industries such as sport and faith groups.



Led and delivered a study with state and local government for the first-time to capture tree canopy data for the entire metropolitan Adelaide area in one single study – showing 17% tree canopy.



Delivered public and stakeholder consultation on metropolitan Adelaide's first draft Urban Greening Strategy, which showed a 96% support rate from respondents to create a greener city.



Reopened the transformed 1.5 km far-western end of the River Torrens / Karrowirra Pari to the public with a new Kaurna co-name of Breakout Creek / Purruna Pari.



Translocated painted dragon lizards from Biodiversity Park in Outer Harbour to the rehabilitated Minda Dunes to protect this threatened species and support a more widespread population along Adelaide's coastline.



Raised the profile of the health of the River Torrens / Karrowirra Pari through a campaign showcasing the improved health of the Torrens, how it happened, and actions locals can do to look after it.



Multiple steps closer to reintroducing platypus to the River Torrens / Karrowirra Pari, with the release of a platypus scoping study showing positive signs paired with a statewide ban of opera house-style fishing nets.



Partnered with Firesticks Alliance Indigenous Corporation to support the Kaurna Fire Team to host the *Ngangkirna Kardlatidli – Women with Fire* national gathering to discuss cultural fire, exchange cultural learnings and collaborate on the important role that women play in Aboriginal land management.




Reintroduced the critically endangered southern purple-spotted gudgeon fish to River Torrens / Karrowirra Pari with Nature Glenelg Trust and the City of Marion.

Snapshot

We are working to deliver environmental outcomes for metropolitan South Australia.


Below is a snapshot of delivery in 2023-24 from \$37.3 million invested, plus \$5.2 million in additional funding leveraged:

 **13,101 hectares** of pest animal control

 **182 partnerships** including with Kaurna Miyurna

 **5 enviro-research projects** funded worth **\$241,526**

 **306,511 website visits**

Removed 3,937kg of trash, debris and sediment from local rivers 

 **137,190 natives planted** to rewild 122 hectares

 **24,941 online following**

 **44 community and council projects** worth **\$1.6m** seeded with grants

55 more schools supported with nature education  (with 142 schools supported in total)

 **2,865 podcast listens**

 **2,333 hectares** of pest plant control

 **1,260 events supported** with enviro-expertise

 **19% unprompted awareness of us in metro SA**



SA's **9 environment centres** funded a total of **\$905,000** to continue operation

128 enviro-volunteer groups supported to deliver **70,560 hours of support** 

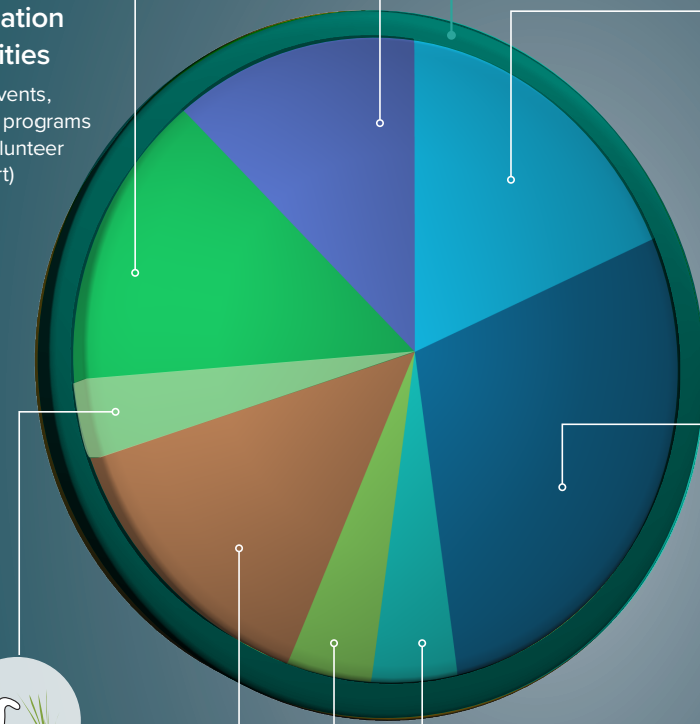
Investment in Adelaide's environment



\$5.1m Nature education activities (e.g., events, school programs and volunteer support)

\$4.9m Landscape Priorities Fund (our contribution to priority projects in regional SA)

\$37.3m Total expenditure



\$6.7m Coastal management (incl. managing Adelaide's beaches)



\$11.1m Water resources and wetlands (incl. \$2m Commonwealth funded Urban Rivers and Catchments Program grants)



\$1.7m Biodiversity-sensitive and water-sensitive urban design



\$1.6m Green streets and flourishing parklands



\$4.9m Flora, fauna and ecosystem health in the urban environment (incl. \$1.1m Grassroots Grants)



\$1.3m Controlling pest animals and plants



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