

DFES Strategy 2026-2031

Strategic Priorities

Our purpose

To achieve a safer Western Australia by enabling and protecting the community before, during and after emergencies.

Our values

Leadership
Commitment
Teamwork
Trust

Ensuring the community is resilient to natural disasters and emergencies by proactively identifying, managing and mitigating new, complex and evolving risks before, during and after incidents.

- 1.1 Coordinated statewide hazard preparedness
- 1.2 A proactive, intelligence-led and prevention focused approach
- 1.3 Capable, competent, and collaborative sector



Managing complex and evolving risks in our community



Developing our future capabilities, leaders and skills

Cultivating an engaged and respected workforce of volunteers and staff, with skilled and diverse leaders capable of anticipating challenges, taking initiative and working together collaboratively.

- 2.1 A thriving and empowered workforce
- 2.2 Strong and capable volunteer and staff workforce across all regions
- 2.3 A recognised leader in the public sector

Our vision

All Western Australians working together for a safer State

Harnessing data and information to drive smarter decisions, enhance service delivery and multiply the effectiveness of our workforce by establishing data as a critical asset.

- 3.1 Mission critical data is recognised as a strategic asset
- 3.2 Faster, more informed decisions for the community
- 3.3 Seamless collaboration for a coordinated response



Leveraging data and information to power our digital future



Leading excellence in Emergency Management

Enabling a unified and resilient Emergency Management sector in WA, defined by our unwavering focus on building safer, more resilient communities.

- 4.1 Clear and unified Emergency Management system
- 4.2 Capable and integrated Emergency Management sector
- 4.3 Engaged and confident communities