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GIV.ORG.AU WEBSITE — GOVERNMENT FUNDING

84. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the website giv.org.au.

- (1) Can the minister confirm reports that the website has received \$100 000 from the state government?
- (2) Can the minister provide details about
 - (a) who received the money;
 - (b) who administers the website;
 - (c) what costs have been met from the grant;
 - (d) was a cost-benefit analysis done on the website proposal; and
 - (e) how much waste per year is going to be diverted from landfill by the use of this donation website?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

(1)–(2) The Waste Authority, through the waste avoidance and resource recovery account, provided a \$100 000 grant to Paraquad Industries—now Spine and Limb Foundation Inc—on behalf of a charitable partnership between Anglicare WA, Salvos Stores, Good Samaritan Industries, Spine and Limb Foundation Inc and St Vincent de Paul Society. The website is administered by the charitable partnership and its design, development and implementation was the responsibility of the partnership.

The website provides information aimed at reducing illegal dumping at charitable donation points and educating the community about the required quality standards for donated goods. It also provides information to the community on options for the disposal of items not suitable for donation. The website is one of a number of initiatives to achieve diversion of waste from landfill.