

## COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRES

*Statement by Member for Warren–Blackwood*

**MS E.J. KELSBIE (Warren–Blackwood)** [12.55 pm]: I rise today to acknowledge the importance of community resource centres to our regional communities. Across my electorate, I am fortunate to have 11 CRCs that provide meaningful services, enhanced community connection and deliver a safe and inviting space for people. I want to personally thank and acknowledge the staff, volunteers and trainees at the Augusta Community Resource Centre, Boyup Brook Community Resource Centre, Bridgetown Community Resource Centre, Denmark Community Resource Centre, Greenbushes Community Resource Centre, Manjimup Community Resource Centre, Mt Barker Community Resource Centre, Nannup Community Resource Centre, Northcliffe Community Resource Centre, Pemberton Community Resource Centre and Walpole Community Resource Centre. I thank them for all their hard work and dedication and for their contribution to our communities. CRCs are not-for-profit organisations independently owned and operated by their local community. They work hard to make our communities richer places to live, providing access to much-needed local services. Services include videoconferencing and computer access; printing, copying and scanning; binding and laminating; providing water refill stations; operating recycling hubs; and running events that bring the community together, such as repair cafes, art exhibitions, soup kitchens and groups for seniors. CRCs also provide agency services such as Centrelink, the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Transport.