

PLEDGE YOUR SUPPORT TO END CHILD POVERTY

Join the call to legislate End Child Poverty in Australia.



The existence of child poverty in Australia is undeniable with one in six children living below the poverty line. In real numbers, that's 761,000 Australian children living in poverty.¹

The negative impact of poverty on a child's development and life outcomes is significant, well documented and can last a lifetime. Poverty effects a child's health, mental health and wellbeing.

A child who lives in poverty is 3.3 times as likely to live in poverty as an adult.²

We must do better.

We invite you to join us as we begin the journey of Ending Child Poverty in Australia

Kids growing up in poverty too often go to bed or school hungry, they can feel left out if they can't join a local sport team or go on school camps, they may be living in an overcrowded home where there's no quiet place to do homework and they worry about their parents. Multiple studies have found that poverty isn't just about not having enough to eat and a secure home. A lack of money limits children and young people's lives and learning and seeps into other aspects of their life. Children at the forefront of the housing crisis are often frequently moving due to high rents, which disrupts school and friendships.

The opportunity: It's time to put children at the centre of ending poverty.

We are calling on the Federal Government to:

- Legislate an end to child poverty
- Include children as a priority in the Measuring What Matters national wellbeing framework

By pledging your support for the campaign, you pledge to:

- Raise awareness to End Child Poverty within your organisation;
- Share surveys, social media tiles, petitions and our website;
- Talk to other organisations and individuals to join this community campaign.

Your organisation will get:

- Proudly display your logo or name on our website
- Resources to share.

Together, we can build a future where every child can thrive.

JOIN OTHER SUPPORTERS WHO HAVE ALREADY PLEDGED TO THE CAMPAIGN

Proudly supported by:

- Dr Sue Packer AO, ACT Senior Australian of the Year
- Colin Pettit, Former WA Commissioner for Children and Young People



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Find out more www.endchildpoverty.com.au

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