

Statement in Support of the Uluru Statement from the Heart

Anglicare NT is proud to support the Uluru Statement from the Heart.

We accept the generous invitation from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to all Australians, issued on 27 May 2017.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart is a landmark step to embracing our shared history and walking together with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, towards a better future for all Australians.

We pledge our support to the two key elements outlined in the Uluru Statement from the Heart:

1. A First Nations Voice to Parliament, enshrined in the Australian Constitution; and
2. A Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement making between governments and oversee a process of truth-telling about our history, led by Australia's first peoples.

We commit to:

- Advocating for the Australian Parliament to implement the Uluru Statement from the Heart in full.
- Supporting self-determination in all the NT communities in which we work. In some cases, this means we will work with Aboriginal peoples to hand over aspects of our work to Aboriginal organisations.
- Respectfully use our influence to mobilise and educate our supporters and influence key decision makers to support the referendum on a constitutionally enshrined First Nations Voice.
- Engaging with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in respectful conversation and discussion.
- Use our voice to speak out with and in support of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leadership and priorities within Anglicare NT.
- Delivering culturally appropriate services that includes the voice of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in everything we do.

Together, with fellow Australians we support the call for real and lasting structural change to our current systems of authority and decision making. It is a clear path forward for justice and self-determination of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



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