

Further Support Services

The organisations listed on this page are specialised support organisations, who provide support outside of the Find & Connect program, and may also be helpful to you.

Create Foundation

CREATE Foundation is the national consumer body for children and young people with an out-of-home care experience. They support children and young people from 0-25 who are currently in, or have experience in foster care, kinship care, permanent care or residential care.

Website: <https://create.org.au>

Link-Up services

Link-Up services around Australia provide services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people affected by past government policies relating to the removal of children. This page on the AIATSIS website has information about different Link-Up services around Australia and the services they provide.

Website: <https://aiatsis.gov.au/research/finding-your-family/where-get-help/link-up-services>

Redress Support Services

Redress Support Services are free, confidential and independent. They offer emotional and practical supports to help you complete your application for redress, throughout your engagement with the National Redress Scheme.

Specialist Redress Support Services are available for First Nations peoples, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, people with disability, young people, women, men, care leavers and former child migrants.

Website: <https://www.nationalredress.gov.au/help-support/get-free-help-apply/redress-support-services>

Support services for people affected by child sexual abuse

The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse's website has a comprehensive list of support services around Australia.

Website: <https://www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au/contact>

Support services for people affected by past forced adoption policies and practices

The Australian Government Department of Social Services (DSS) funds seven organisations to provide coordinated specialist support services across Australia for people affected by past forced adoption policies and practices. The DSS website has a list of support services and other relevant information.

Telephone: 1800 21 03 13 to contact a Forced Adoption Support Service in your state or territory.

Website: <https://www.dss.gov.au/families-and-children/programmes-services/family-relationships/forced-adoption-practices/support-services-for-people-affected-by-past-forced-adoption-policies-and-practices>

Tuart Place

Tuart Place is a resource service for people who have been in out of home care in Western Australia. It is located in Fremantle, Western Australia.

Tuart Place provides a range of services including counselling and support groups; help with the National Redress Scheme and other abuse claims; phone outreach; a drop-in centre; supported access to records and family tracing; computer and IT assistance; and social activities.

Telephone: 08 6140 2380 or Freecall 1800 619 795

Address: 24 High Street, Fremantle WA 6160

Email: admin@tuarplace.org

Website: <http://www.tuarplace.org>

Out of hours help

If you need urgent help, Lifeline operates a 24-hour telephone counselling service. **13 11 14** (freecall).

You can view this page online by visiting <https://www.findandconnect.gov.au/other-support-services/>