

Redress

National Redress Scheme

Closes 30 June 2027

The National Redress Scheme was established following recommendations from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, for people who experienced institutional child sexual abuse.

If you are thinking of making an application for Redress, the Find & Connect web resource holds information about the institutions you were in, and how to apply for any records that may exist about your time in 'care'.

For more information about Redress, and the free and confidential Redress Support Services, please visit the [National Redress Scheme website](#) or call the National Redress Information Line on 1800 737 377.

NSW Stolen Generations Reparations Scheme

Closes June 30 2023

This scheme provides ex-gratia payments to living Stolen Generations survivors who were removed by, committed to, or otherwise came into the care of the New South Wales Aborigines Protection or Welfare Boards under the Aborigines Protection Act 1909, up until the Act was repealed on 2 June 1969.

For more information see:

<https://www.findandconnect.gov.au/ref/nsw/biogs/ENT0166b.htm> and <https://www.aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au/healing-and-reparations/stolen-generations/reparations-scheme/>

Territories Stolen Generations Redress Scheme

Closes 28 February 2026

The Territories Stolen Generations Redress Scheme is a financial and wellbeing package that makes payments in recognition of the harm caused by removal from family or community. The scheme provides support to Stolen Generations survivors who were removed from their families or communities in the Northern Territory, before 1 July 1978, the Australian Capital Territory, before 11 May 1989 or the Jervis Bay Territory.

For more information see: <https://www.findandconnect.gov.au/ref/nt/biogs/ENT0165b.htm> and <https://territoriesredress.gov.au/>

Victorian Stolen Generations Reparations Package

Closes 31 March 2027

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people who were first removed from Victoria aged under 18 by a government or non-government agency before 31 December 1976, for a period of time that resulted in the experience of loss of family, community, Culture, identity and language.

For more info: <https://www.findandconnect.gov.au/ref/vic/biogs/ENT0164b.htm> and <https://www.vic.gov.au/stolen-generations-reparations-package> our entry:

Payment scheme for former British child migrants

This scheme is open to any former British child migrant who was alive on 1 March 2018 or the beneficiaries of any former child migrant who was alive on 1 March 2018 and has since passed away. Applicants must have been sent from England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man under the age of 16 and prior to 1971 to be eligible.

For more information see: <https://www.findandconnect.gov.au/ref/australia/biogs/ENT0162b.htm> and <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/payment-scheme-for-former-british-child-migrants-guidelines/payment-scheme-for-former-british-child-migrants-guidelines>

Victorian Forced Adoption Redress Scheme

Begins 2023 – Hardship Fund available prior for exceptional circumstances.

In March 2022 The Victorian Government announced a scheme to include financial compensation, counselling and psychological support for mothers who had their babies forcibly removed for adoption. A steering committee will design the scheme within 12 months of this announcement, however a \$500,000 hardship fund has been established for mothers in exceptional circumstances, including those who are terminally ill.

For more info on the Forced Adoption Hardship Fund: <https://www.justice.vic.gov.au/forced-adoption-hardship-fund>

You can view this page online by visiting <https://www.findandconnect.gov.au/redress/>