

SO HOW CAN MORE PEOPLE GET ON BOARD AND HELP?

For the change to the Constitution to be successful we need every Australian to understand why a Voice to Parliament is so important and that voting YES is simple, practical, fair, and unifying for the whole country.

Referendums don't come around often, so it's important to talk to your friends, family and colleagues and follow our campaign on social media.

You can also sign up as a volunteer for the campaign and play a significant role in the push for the yes vote in a referendum on the Voice to Parliament.



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WHY DO WE NEED THIS?

We can all agree that quality of life for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people can, and should, be better. This means outcomes in health, education, and family situations can be improved if the way policies and laws are created by people in Canberra is changed.

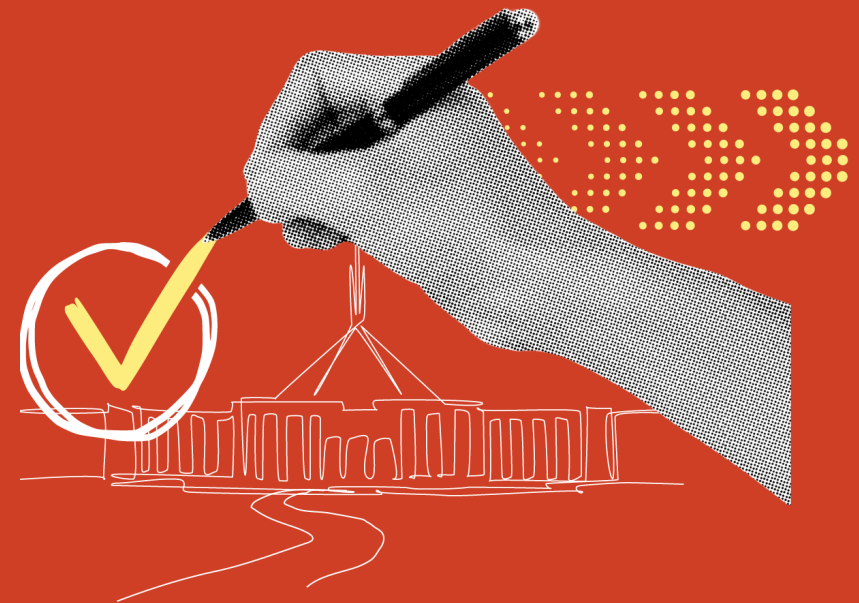
Doing more of the same, and accepting the status quo, won't work.

WHEN WILL THE REFERENDUM BE HELD?

We are working towards a 2023 referendum, but before this can happen, we need enough of the country on board with the YES campaign.



LET'S TALK ABOUT AN INDIGENOUS VOICE TO PARLIAMENT



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WHAT IS AN INDIGENOUS VOICE TO PARLIAMENT?

It's a proposed group of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who would advise the Government and Parliament on how a policy (like rural health) or a law (like Native Title changes for example) would practically and culturally affect Indigenous people.

An important feature of a Voice is that it is put in the Constitution. This would recognise the special place of

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Australia's history, but importantly would also mean that it can't be shut down.

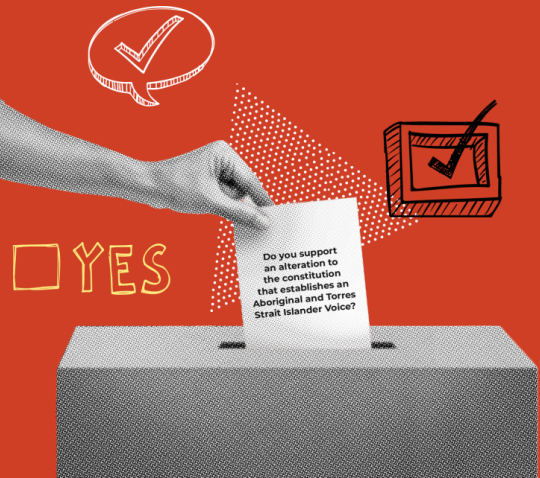
A Voice is an opportunity to make policies with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, rather than for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

WHAT CHANGE WILL A VOICE DELIVER?

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have consistently asked to take responsibility and have input into how government programs work.

A Voice to Parliament will give Indigenous communities a route to help inform policy and legal decisions that impact their lives. Giving people a say will lead to more effective results. Although it is not a silver bullet, the Voice has significant potential to fix some of the policy problems.

It's common sense that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people know their communities best and can provide the best feedback on what would work specifically in those communities.



HOW DO WE ACTUALLY GET AN INDIGENOUS VOICE?

For a Voice to be successful it's vital that it isn't easily dismantled. The reason is previous Indigenous advisory bodies have been cut back or shut down by changes in government, diverting attention away from community needs. Having it written into the Australian Constitution means it will be protected.

AND HOW DOES THAT WORK?

We need a Referendum. This is a bit like an Election, but instead of voting for people to be Members of Parliament, Australia will be asked to answer a simple question with a YES or a NO.

WHAT WILL THAT QUESTION BE?

At the moment, the government has proposed this question:
Do you support an alteration to the Constitution that establishes an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice?

SOUNDS STRAIGHTFORWARD...

If only! We need to assure millions upon millions of Australians that this is a practical approach, and that it is supported by grassroots Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. So we need to get that word out.

