

The Hon Ken Wyatt AM MP

Minister for Indigenous Australians Member for Hasluck

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RECONCILIATION AUSTRALIA FUNDING CONFIRMED FOR THREE YEARS

The Morrison Government has committed \$10.8 million over three years for Reconciliation Australia to continue their valuable work in shaping Australia's journey towards reconciliation.

Minister for Indigenous Australians, the Hon Ken Wyatt AM, MP, said the funding will enable Reconciliation Australia to continue to help all Australians turn good intentions into meaningful action and deliver positive outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

"For two decades, Reconciliation Australia has worked to improve relationships between Indigenous and other Australians, by building respect, trust and opportunities among individuals, organisations, schools and communities," Minister Wyatt said.

"Through its Australian Reconciliation Barometer and Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) program, Reconciliation Australia has provided significant momentum to empower people to build a better future for all of us."

"Tens of thousands of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are benefiting from job creation, education opportunities and business transactions created through RAP actions."

"Reconciliation Australia is also helping to improve Australians' attitudes and perceptions of Indigenous peoples and cultures by supporting national campaigns that positively impact reconciliation, most notably the annual National Reconciliation Week which starts on 27 May."

"The Morrison Government is proud to continue its support of Reconciliation Australia so that all Australians are supported in our collective journey towards a more reconciled country."

Chief Executive Officer of Reconciliation Australia, Karen Mundine, said the funding will support the advancement of reconciliation nationally.

"Since we began Reconciliation Australia 20 years ago, we have assisted Australians to imagine a better country, a future based on mutual respect and understanding, and a shared appreciation of Australia's history," Ms Mundine said.

"Australians are informing themselves and, in turn, informing their own families and friends about the truth of our history and the critical importance of reconciliation."

"These conversations will ultimately make us a better country that truly values Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and cultures as fundamental to who we are as Australians."

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