

Our voice, their future.



Victorian Aboriginal
Children & Young
People's Alliance

It is our vision that all Aboriginal children and young people have every opportunity to thrive and be raised safely in Aboriginal families and communities. That is why we firmly support constitutional reform and a Voice to Parliament.

The Victorian Aboriginal Children and Young People's Alliance strongly supports this rare opportunity to make a profound and positive impact for future generations and to help close the vast gaps of disadvantage.

[The Uluru Statement from the Heart](#) states, "When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country."

Constitutional reform will elevate the value of Aboriginal ways of knowing, being and doing for families, children, and young people. The Voice will provide a direct line of communication with the Australian government, offering Aboriginal designed practical solutions to long standing problems experienced by Aboriginal families, children, and young people.

The Alliance believes in the right of Aboriginal young people to have a say in their future. And by way of including their voices, we expect to tackle issues such as participation in education and address the Aboriginal overrepresentation in child protection and justice.

The power and influence of an Aboriginal Voice to Parliament on ALL children cannot be underestimated. The Voice will help build a better Australia for ALL children and young people.

Voting "[Yes](#)" ensures our voices are heard and respected, so that decisions about the futures of our families, children and young people are self-determined. Changing the constitution ensures no government can ever silence Aboriginal people again.

We respect that there will be differing views, however this is an issue of equity. We urge all Australians to engage thoughtfully and respectfully as they educate themselves and others about this important opportunity. This is a decision that affects children and young people more than anyone else: Australia's future belongs to them.

Our children, your children, are our collective hope for the future of Australia.

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