

On 21 March 2013, the Prime Minister apologised on behalf of the Australian Government to people affected by forced adoption or removal policies and practices. The national apology was delivered in the Great Hall of Parliament House, Canberra.

In response to this apology, the Australian Government Department of Social Services has funded a national Forced Adoption Support Service, and in South Australia this is delivered by Relationships Australia SA.

Further information on the National Apology can be found at Department of Social Services website www.dss.gov.au

National Telephone Support Service

1800 210 313

Relationships Australia SA locations

Adelaide (City)

151 South Terrace Adelaide SA 5000
P: (08) 8223 4566 | F: (08) 8232 2898

Hindmarsh (Inner West)

49a Orsmond Street Hindmarsh SA 5007
P: (08) 8245 8100 | F: (08) 8346 7333

Port Adelaide (Outer West)

12 Todd Street Port Adelaide SA 5007
P: (08) 8340 2022 | F: (08) 8241 5236

Marion (South)

Level 5 Westfield Shopping Centre
297 Diagonal Road Oaklands Park SA 5046
P: (08) 8377 5400 | F: (08) 8377 5411

Elizabeth (North)

13 Elizabeth Way Elizabeth SA 5112
P: (08) 8255 3323 | F: (08) 8255 7753

Salisbury (North)

Shop 7 Salisbury Cinema Complex
Cnr James and Gawler Streets Salisbury SA 5108 P:
(08) 8250 6600 | F: (08) 8285 4494

Berri (Riverland)

9 Kay Avenue Berri SA 5343
P: (08) 8582 4122 | F: (08) 8582 4152

www.rasa.org.au

Forced Adoption Support Services are funded by the Australian Government
Department of Social Services

Forced Adoption Support Services

Forced Adoption Support Services provide specialist support for people and families who have been affected by past adoption practices and policies.



Forced Adoption Support Services

The Forced Adoption Support Services (FASS) provide support to mothers and fathers who have lost a child/children to adoption, adult adoptees and extended family members where the birth and adoption took place in Australia.

There is no cost for this service.

FASS provides:

- A national telephone support service on 1800 210 313 (which represents the date of the Apology to those affected by forced adoptions)
- Case coordination,
- Advice and support on adoption related issues
- Assistance with records tracing
- Support for raising awareness of the effects of forced adoption on all those affected
- Support with family reunions, including support before, during and after reunion.
- Warm referrals to other professional and support organisations based on client needs

FASS will also administer small grants through subcontracting arrangements to peer support and advocacy groups.

To find out more about the Forced Adoption Support Service in your state or territory please contact the support line on 1800 210 313.

