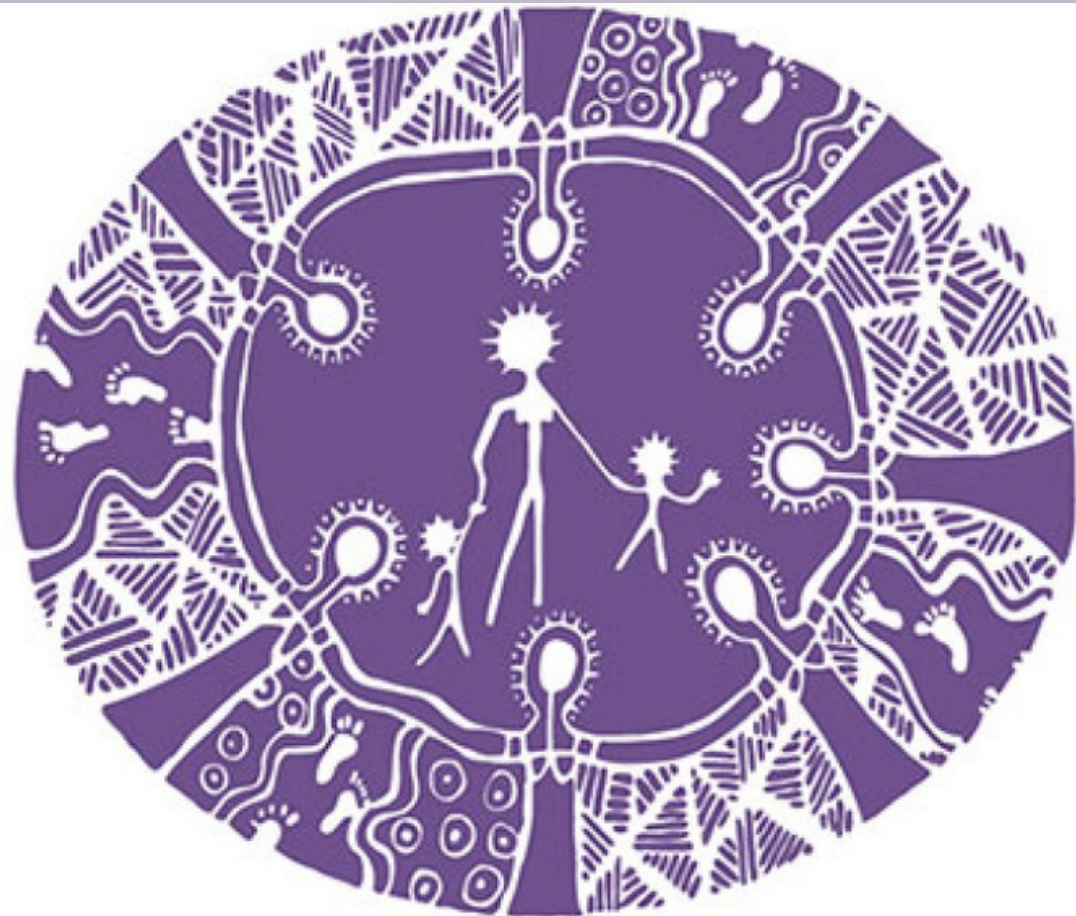


ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY





WHO WE ARE

Elizabeth Morgan House Aboriginal Women's Services

ACCO – trauma-informed, culturally safe and holistic practice

**ARTICLES FROM THE CONVENTION ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD:
Article 17, 29 & 30**





Australia and its obligations to the Conventions of the Rights of the Child

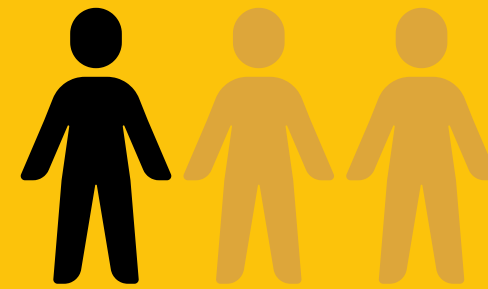




80%



Of Aboriginal women incarcerated in Australia are mothers



1 in 3



Of youth missing from out-of-home care are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children



THE STOLEN GENERATIONS

- The Stolen Generations refers to the period in Australian history that saw the forced removal of Aboriginal children by statutory welfare bodies and missionaries in alignment with Federal Governments' policies





CONTINUED OVER-REPRESENTATION OF ABORIGINAL CHILDREN INVOLVED WITH CHILD PROTECTION

Between 2019 to 2020 the number of Aboriginal children in out of home care rose while during the same period, the number of non-Aboriginal children in out of home care declined



15.9%



Only 15.9% of national expenditure was allocated to child protection for prevention, support and the reunification of families from 2019 to 2020

55,300



Aboriginal children received child protection services, almost 8 times the rate of non-Aboriginal children



1 in 18



Aboriginal children live in out of home care



1 in 6



Aboriginal children are involved with Child Protection Services

If removals continue at the current rate, the population of Aboriginal children in out-of-home care will more than double in the next 10 years

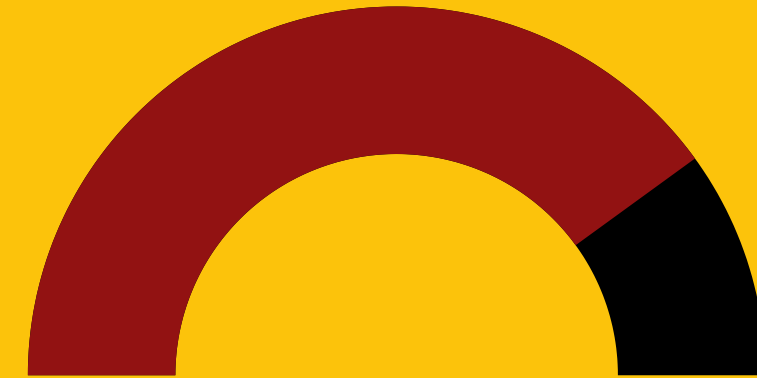


11 times



Aboriginal children are 11 times more likely to be put in out of home care than non-Aboriginal children

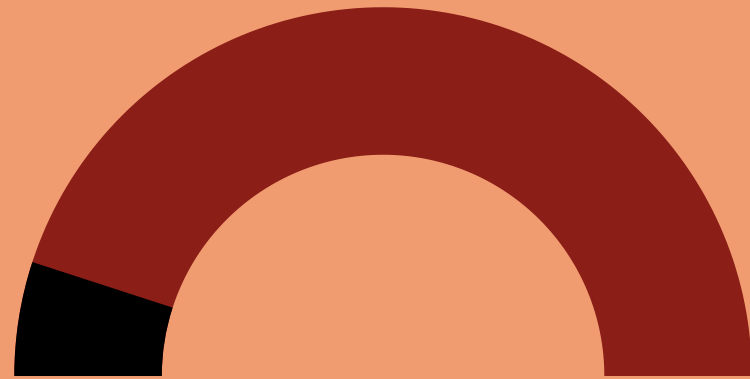
Aboriginal children are less likely to be reunified than non-Aboriginal children



80%



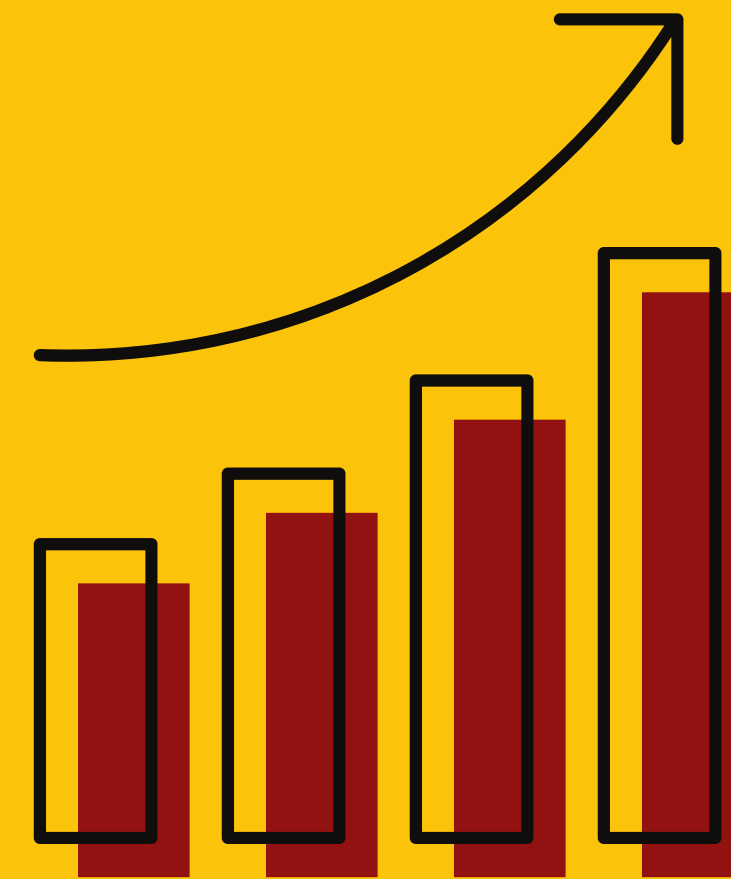
Of Aboriginal children that were reunified with parents from 2017-2018 stayed reunified, the same as non-Aboriginal



10%



drop in Aboriginal children placed with Aboriginal caregivers between 2013 and 2019



7 fold



Increase in Aboriginal child removal between 1997 to 2019

We are fast approaching the removal rates of the Stolen Generations



**ABORIGINAL CULTURES AND IDENTITIES
NEED TO BE CELEBRATED AND THE RIGHTS
OF ABORIGINAL CHILDREN RESPECTED**

Thank you



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