Australian Government

THE OFFICE FOR YOUTH IS SEEKING YOUR HELP TO PROMOTE OUR 2026 CONSULTATIONS

STAKEHOLDER KIT

Help develop the Australian Government's new Youth Strategy

OFFICE FOR YOUTH



INTRODUCTION

On Monday 19 October 2026, the Australian Government Office for Youth launched consultations to help inform the development of a new Youth Strategy.

The new strategy will build on *Engage! A strategy to include young people in the decisions we make*, which guides how the Australian Government involves young people aged 12–25 in government decision-making.

Through the consultations, the Office for Youth wants to better understand:

- what issues matter most to young people in Australia
- how government should include young people in decision-making
- how youth perspectives can influence policies and services across government.

Young people aged 12–25 can share their views through the 2026 National Youth Survey. The youth sector, government and organisations that work with or for young people can provide feedback through a discussion paper.

We need your help to spread the word and encourage participation across Australia, so a broad range of voices can help shape how government works with young people now and into the future.

The survey and discussion paper are open until Monday 14 December 2026.

HOW WE'RE DEVELOPING A NEW YOUTH STRATEGY

As part of the survey and discussion paper, the Australian Government has identified initial areas for feedback and discussion on how government works with young people, including:

- Stronger youth engagement mechanisms
- Stronger capability and support for youth governance
- Stronger transparency and visible action in response to youth engagement
- Enhanced leadership from the Office for Youth to drive meaningful youth participation across government can influence policies and services across government.

The issues that are most important to young people include:

- Mental health, health and wellbeing
- Climate, environment and sustainability
- Economic and housing security
- Education and training.

The new Youth Strategy will also maintain a strong focus on the priorities and perspectives of First Nations young people.

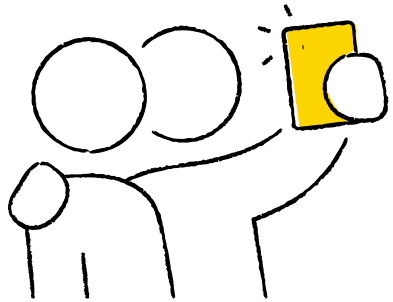
This kit includes resources that you can share on social media, your website, newsletters, email and community noticeboards to promote the consultation opportunities and encourage participation.

We encourage you to use these resources across your networks to help ensure as many young people and organisations as possible have the opportunity to take part!



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SOCIAL MEDIA



You can use these tiles across your social media channels. Suggested copy includes:

OPTION 1:

Are you a young person aged 12 to 25? The Australian Government Office for Youth wants to hear from you in their National Youth Survey!

They want to better understand:

- what issues matter most to you as a young person living in Australia
- how the government should include you in their decisions, and
- how to ensure youth perspectives influence policies and services across government.

These findings will be used to inform a new Australian Government Youth Strategy.

Want to find out more? Complete the survey or visit **youth.gov.au**.



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OPTION 2:
(YOUNG PEOPLE AND SECTOR)

The Australian Government Office for Youth has launched their consultations to inform a new Youth Strategy.

If you're 12–25 years old, or work within the youth sector and community, they want to know:

- what issues matter most to young people in Australia
- how the government should include young people in decisions that impact them
- how to ensure youth perspectives influence policies and services across government...and more!

Your input will be used to help shape a new Youth Strategy, which will support how government works with young people now and into the future.

To complete the survey or download the discussion paper, visit **youth.gov.au**.



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NEWSLETTER TEMPLATE

You can use this text for inspiration to share the consultations in your newsletters or within your networks:

The Australian Government Office for Youth wants to hear from young people aged 12–25, as well as organisations and individuals working across the youth sector and within government, to help inform the development of a new Youth Strategy. You can have your say by:

- Completing the National Youth Survey
- Submitting responses to a discussion paper.

The Office for Youth is seeking views on issues affecting young people and their communities, including mental health and wellbeing; climate, environment and sustainability; economic and housing security; and education and training.

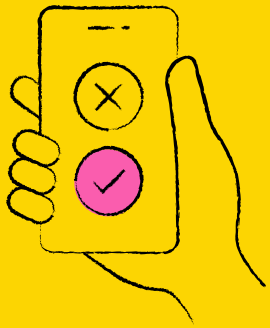
Findings will be used to strengthen how the Australian Government connects with young people on the issues that matter most to them, now and into the future.

Find out more by visiting **youth.gov.au**.

If you have any questions, email **youth@education.gov.au**

EMAIL

This draft email content can be copied or used as a template to share with your networks.



New message

To

Subject

To **[name]**,

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Findings will be used to help develop a new Australian Government Youth Strategy.

This strategy will continue the work of the current youth engagement strategy *Engage!*, which outlines the Australian Government's vision to work with young people to inform policies and programs that impact them.

You can complete the survey or respond to the discussion paper by visiting youth.gov.au before Monday 14 December 2026.

If you have any questions, make sure to email the team at **youth@education.gov.au**.

Kind regards

Send



POSTER

This poster can be shared within your communities, educational settings or local areas to promote the consultations.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Helping to promote our consultations allows the Australian Government to connect with more young people around the country, giving us the opportunity to strengthen the development and implementation of our new Youth Strategy.

For more information, visit **youth.gov.au**

To get in touch with specific questions, email **youth@education.gov.au**

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