

Participant Information Sheet – Raise Our Voice in Parliament
<https://raiseourvoiceaustralia.com>

What does my participation involve?

Submitting a 90 second speech (approximately 200 words) for consideration by an MP or Senator. If the speech is selected, the MP or Senator will read the speech in parliament, or on social media if they are a Minister.

What is the purpose of this research/project?

The Raise Our Voice in Parliament campaign aims to elevate the voices of Australians aged 21 and younger in our federal parliament. We do this by partnering with federal politicians who have agreed to amplify the voice of a young Australian by reading a 90 second speech.

Email or internet distribution

Individuals' responses will only be provided to the office of the participating MP/ Senator, and participants will not be identified in the reporting of the research without express consent.

What are the possible benefits of taking part?

You and the issues that matter to you/ the young person in your care will be heard by your local politician. We also hope that participation in the campaign will help you/ the young person in your care more about politics and the political system. We also hope that hearing the issues young people care about will help policy makers better incorporate the views of young people into their work, and prioritise the issues that matter to the next generation.

What are the possible risks and disadvantages of taking part?

By taking part you may have your speech selected by a politician and read publicly. While some people can have big opinions, only your first name and age will be connected with this.

Do I have to take part in the Raise Our Voice in Parliament campaign?

Participation in this campaign is completely voluntary. If you do not wish to take part, you do not have to. If you decide to take part and later change your mind, you are free to withdraw from the project at any stage, by letting us know at campaigns@raiseourvoiceaustralia.com.

If you do decide to take part, you will be given this Participant Information and will be required to provide consent prior to being taken to the submission form. You are free to withdraw from the campaign at any point while completing the submission form without affecting your relationship with ROVA, either now or in the future.

Your decision whether to take part or not to take part, or to take part and then withdraw, will not affect your current or future participation in ROVA programs/ activities.

What happens if I withdraw?

If you decide to withdraw, your speech and any data you have provided will be destroyed. You can withdraw at any stage prior to 20 October, at which time the speeches will be collated before being provided to the offices of the MPs.

What will happen to information about me?

For detailed information on how ROVA handles your personal information, please see our [Privacy Policy](#). Data collected is individually identifiable, and will be stored on the cloud. Only the Raise Our Voice in Parliament team have access to this. The data will be stored for five years, at which point it will be deleted.

By consenting to participate in this campaign, you are also agreeing for your information to be added to our mailing list. All participants/ parents or guardians are welcome to unsubscribe at any time.

All records containing personal information will remain confidential and no information which could lead to identification of any individual will be released, unless required by law OR if individuals will be able to be identified, a statement should be included making them aware of this. Please see our [Privacy Policy](#) for further information.

What happens when the campaign ends?

When the campaign ends, we will create an impact report. The impact report will provide a high-level summary of the campaign, but will not include any personal data unless consent is expressly provided.

Who is organising and funding the campaign?

This campaign is being organised by Raise Our Voice Australia in partnership with UNICEF Australia and the Australian Youth Affairs Coalition. The campaign is un-funded.

You will not benefit financially from your involvement in this research project even if, for example, knowledge acquired from your information/response proves to be of commercial value to ROVA.

In addition, if knowledge acquired through this research leads to discoveries that are of commercial value to ROVA, there will be no financial benefit to you or your family from these discoveries.

No member of the ROVA team will receive a personal financial benefit from your involvement in this campaign.

Further information and who to contact

The person you may need to contact will depend on the nature of your query. If you want any further information concerning this project or if you have any problems which may be related to your involvement in the project, you can contact ROVA at campaigns@raiseourvoiceaustralia.com.