

# **ANTI-POVERTY NETWORK**

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## **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**



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## **Horrendous, Disappointing, with No Real Solutions.**

### **So what was the 2nd Leadership Debate really about?**

Last night's leadership debate was an exercise in hiding from the necessary solutions to Australia's largest issues for the vast majority of people.

The Liberal party wants to solve the horrendous wound that is the cost of living crisis by bleeding it dry, while the Labor disappointingly, wants to provide a band-aid solution!

The xenophobic scapegoating by Mr. Dutton was grotesque, and a 25% decrease in immigration would be a disaster, especially during a skills shortage.

While at the same time Mr. Albanese saw fit to address parts of a solution in half measure.

Anti-Poverty Network SA calls on all candidates in this election to fight for people in poverty, and renters, and commit to Policies that will make life affordable.

We demand a Policy that will permanently raise JobSeeker and all welfare rates to make life livable and give people on welfare the ability to build a better life for themselves.

We demand a Policy of large-scale investment in high-quality public housing with established connections to public utilities and transport.

We demand an end to negative gearing and punitive taxes on unused properties to encourage the sale of unused but much-needed housing and bring real competition to the rental market.

Keeping people in poverty is a political choice that benefits those who get rich by denying us our basic rights. Triage demands real change now.

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