



INTRODUCING ANTI-POVERTY NETWORK SA

WHO WE ARE

Anti-Poverty Network SA is an alliance of people affected and concerned by poverty and unemployment, including job-seekers, low-income workers, sole parents, aged and disability pensioners, carers, students, and community workers. We are led by people who have experienced it all, and aim to be a public voice for and of South Australians on low incomes

WHAT WE BELIEVE

- **Welfare Is A Right, Not A Privilege.** All people living on income support should be treated with dignity and respect, and not victimised by punishing, humiliating welfare policies such as Job Active, Work for the Dole, and Cashless Welfare. It is never okay to cut someone's income and plunge them into severe hardship. Everyone is deserving of support.

- **Poverty Is Not Inevitable.** The 2020 COVID increase to JobSeeker and Youth Allowance, now almost completely removed, proved that poverty is a political choice. We believe income support payments should be raised to \$80 a day (\$550 a week) not only for people on JobSeeker and students, but for pensioners, carers, sole parents, and for those who have no access to income support like migrant workers, international students, and refugees. No one, in a country this rich, should have to live in poverty.

WHAT WE DO

- **Activism.** We organise the community, particularly people directly affected, on issues such as housing, social security, and workers' rights. We hold forums, rallies, conferences, and info stalls. We reach out to people on low incomes, support and train them to get active, as well as allies. We engage the media, putting forward our views, and supporting people on low incomes to share their insights and experiences.

- **Community.** We create networks of care and solidarity that provide emotional and practical support for those affected by poverty, unemployment, and dealing with stressful government bureaucracy. We build connections with other activist and community groups. We hold free lunches and dinners for members and supporters.

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