



## Funding for social cohesion – Together For Humanity

The Australian Government will provide \$4 million over two years to strengthen student wellbeing and cohesion through the Together For Humanity program.

### How will this initiative work?

Together For Humanity works to deliver teacher professional development, online programs, inter-school cooperation activities, and research and other initiatives that strengthen intercultural and interfaith understanding and help build culturally safe schools.

Further funding will support Together For Humanity to increase activities to address all forms of discrimination in schools, with a particular focus on Islamophobia and antisemitism.

### Why is this important?

The Israel-Hamas war has had a significant impact on Australian communities, including on school students and teachers of Jewish and Islamic faith and their families, with growing concerns about rising antisemitism and Islamophobia.

The Government takes discrimination seriously and is committed to supporting all students' right to an education and to be safe and happy at school.

### Who will benefit?

Together for Humanity works to identify groups in need of special attention, and who would likely benefit. Students, teachers and parents will have the opportunity to participate in events and activities as part of the Together For Humanity initiative.

### How much will it cost?

The Australian Government will invest a further \$4 million over two years to help expand the work of Together For Humanity.

This builds on \$17 million the Australian Government has previously committed towards a suite of school-focused social cohesion initiatives, including \$8.1 million over the four years to 2024–25 for Together for Humanity.