



SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT STATEMENT

Catholic Religious Australia (CRA) is actively committed to the safeguarding of all people, particularly children and adults at risk. It has zero-tolerance for abuse of any type; all people have the right to be protected from sexual and other abuse. CRA upholds the dignity of all people and apologises to those who have been abused by any person associated with the Catholic Church. We are committed to building a culture of greater care, accountability and transparency.

CRA's Safeguarding Commitments:

We are committed to fostering welcoming and supportive environments that celebrate diversity. Inclusivity, which is at the heart of our Gospel values, shapes our relationship with all whom we encounter.

We are committed to building prevention and safeguarding processes into everyday practice and implementing governance reforms throughout our Church. This will be upheld in our policies and processes including recruitment, induction, and daily operations.

We are committed to acting appropriately with all people, especially children and adults at risk, with whom we come into contact, always exercising appropriate standards of behaviour.

We are committed to encouraging environments that empower children and adults at risk to speak and to be heard. We recognise the role of families and community in safeguarding children and adults at risk and we are committed to welcoming their input on how to improve the way we relate to them.

We are committed to ensuring that all who work or volunteer with us are aware of their responsibilities in relation to the legislative requirements of the relevant jurisdiction and our own complaints and safeguarding policies. Any concerns that are identified or brought forward in any way, are acted on appropriately, sensitively and in a timely manner.

For any inquiries or concerns, or to provide feedback on this Commitment Statement, please contact

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