



Journey Home Incorporated

Incorporation Number INC9895017



Services provided by Journey Home to Forgotten Australians

If you have suffered from sexual and/or physical abuse as a child while in a State Institution or a Church home, you may be entitled to compensation.

Laws in States and Territories differ across Australia, so the claim process can be difficult depending on the situation and location of your case. **Seeking legal advice as soon as you feel able to is recommended so that you know where you stand.**

There is also a National Redress Scheme which provides support (counselling, a redress payment ranging from \$10,000 to \$150,000 and a direct personal response from an institution) to people who have experienced institutional **child sexual abuse** and will run for ten years from 1 July 2018. Applicants can apply directly or appoint a Redress Nominee to apply on their behalf.

Ray Leary (“Ray”) from Journey Home has appeared before Royal Commissions and Senate Inquiries and been involved in numerous matters, either as a Victim, witness or assisting other Forgotten Australians with their matter. Please read “**Ray’s Story**” under the heading “**Ray’s Journey**” and watch some of the videos to gain an understanding of Ray’s travels.

Ray can assist you should you seek compensation in any of the following ways:

- Informal assessment of your claim – **please note that Ray Leary has no legal qualifications and strongly recommends that a Solicitor formally assess any claim**
- Information and assistance in obtaining a copy your State Ward or Home/Church file
- Introduction to legal services/law firms offering a “No Win No Pay” services
- Assistance in the preparation of a statement based on recollections and supported by information contained in the State Ward or Home/Church file
- Assistance in arranging for witness statements
- Transportation
- Other evidence i.e. information on homes; mentions at Royal Commissions etc
- Emotional support for Claimant and family
- Support to claimant and family/close ones during legal process
- Act as a Nominee under the National Redress Scheme

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OFFER BY JOURNEY HOME TO PROVIDE SUPPORT SERVICES

This is an offer to enter into a costs agreement for Journey Home Incorporated to provide the services described in page one of this document. This offer may be accepted by you in writing or by your conduct in continuing to use the services offered by Journey Home Incorporated.

Journey Home can provide its support services in legal matters that is only payable upon a successful conclusion to their matter. Services are provided on the same basis as a Solicitor i.e. “No Win No Pay” and is taken from any settlement as per a provided authority

To utilise the services of Journey Home on a “No Win No Pay” basis, clients will be required to sign an “Irrevocable Authority & Direction to Pay” authority. This form will be lodged with their law firm who will be directed to pay reasonable costs from the proceeds of any settlement.

Journey Home charges \$1.00 per kilometre (the taxi day kilometre rate is \$2.19 per kilometre). Tolls and other transportation costs are additional. Our driver, a Forgotten Australian, is a former Uniting Care Driver/Carer who is trained in the caring of the elderly and infirmed and is familiar with the requirements of wheelchair transportation.

Hourly Rate Costs (excluding Travel Costs)

Journey Home will charge an hourly rate of \$25.00 per hour calculated on a time cost basis of 15 minutes. The services include, but are not limited to, assisting with the matter; reviewing, assisting with and completing documents; preparing statements, affidavits, statutory declarations and other correspondence; conferences and meetings; telephone calls; and providing support during legal visits, medical appointments, mediation and court appearances.

GST

As the services offered by Journey Home Incorporated are less than 50% of the GST inclusive market value, they are deemed to be “Non-Commercial Activities” and GST is not charged.