



UCA Redress Ltd

Monthly update – September 2021

We pay our respects to the First Nations people of the country in which we live, and acknowledge elders - past, present and emerging. We acknowledge that children entrusted to the care of the Church did not always receive the care they deserved and we acknowledge the ongoing impact and trauma of the separation of children from families and communities.

If you would like to make an application for redress go to: [Home](#) | [National Redress Scheme](#)

UCA Child Safe Week, September 5-11, 2021

UCA Redress Ltd and the NSCU work closely to ensure learnings from the past inform contemporary practice, communication and strategy. A common theme in redress applications and stories of survivors told to the Royal Commission is “I never want this to happen to another child.” It honours those who come forward for us to tell us their stories, to ensure the lessons of the past inform our future.

UCA Redress Ltd is collaborating on this Week, coordinated by NSCU. The focus is to raise awareness and foster UCA’s commitment to the safety of children and young people with three target groups:

- **Ministry agents:** trauma-informed response and grooming via online forum with UCA Redress Ltd and NSCU.
- **Congregations:** we know that child safety is a shared responsibility and the activities call congregations to action in relation to reporting and undertaking UCA Child Safe Training. Worship resources, a message from the President and videos from children and young people have been developed.
- **Children and young people in congregations:** we want children to hear the message that they have the right to feel and be safe; and what to do if they feel unsafe. Community are encouraged and supported to have meaningful conversations using Tools for Listening and an art activity.

Direct Personal Response training for UCA staff

9 September 12.30-2pm AEST – by zoom

Email: info@redress.uca.org.au to register

UCARL Trauma informed practice infosheets

For telephone/reception and corporate staff now available

Email: info@redress.uca.org.au to obtain a copy

10,005

**Total applications to National
Redress Scheme (26/3/21)**

Uniting Church Data

AS AT 1 SEPTEMBER 2021

