Truth-telling resources now available online

Reconciliation Australia's new community truth-telling resources online hub is now live.

Truth-telling encompasses a range of activities, initiatives and processes that enable a fuller and more accurate account of Australia's history, an account that recognises the strength and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Developed through Reconciliation Australia's Community Truth-telling Pathways program, the resources aim to promote practices that respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and cultures.

They are informed by research, case studies, partnerships and other knowledge sharing opportunities undertaken with communities involved in local truth-telling processes.

Fact sheets and guides are available to support the development of collective understandings of truth-telling by answering questions such as: What is truth-telling? What can it look like in practice? How can non-Indigenous people engage appropriately?

The Respecting and Protecting Indigenous Cultural and Intellectual Property (ICIP) guide and fact sheet – developed in partnership with Terri Janke and Company Lawyers and Consultants – provide practical guidance for First Nations peoples on their ICIP rights, and how all people can respect and protect ICIP while engaging in truth-telling processes.

Truth-telling has always been at the heart of reconciliation and will continue to be a keystone of attempts to create a more just and equitable Australia.

Through Reconciliation Action Plans (RAP), organisations can start working to embed reconciliation within their systems and strategies. The new resources hub is a complementary tool to help extend the impact of RAPs and support truth-telling as a vital aspect of reconciliation.

Reconciliation Australia will continue to produce a growing collection of resources that support organisations, communities and individuals to expand their understanding of truth-telling and to undertake it using culturally appropriate and supportive practices.

Explore the hub by clicking here.

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