

# What is the CDP class action?

Law firm Maurice Blackburn has started a legal case against the Commonwealth government. They are asking the government to pay compensation money to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were in the CDP between July 2015 to May 2021 and had to work for the dole.

Most people in CDP were
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
people. Many people on CDP had
to do work for the dole five days
per week and they got fines or
cut off from their Centrelink
money if they didn't turn up.

The case is about racial discrimination.

It says that CDP was aimed against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and that they were **treated worse** than people in cities who were also on work for the dole. They had to work longer, and they had more fines.



### Is there anything I need to do?

#### No

You do not need to register to be part of this class action.

## Do I need to pay anything during the class action?

#### No

Maurice Blackburn and another company are funding the class action.

If we win the class action or the government agrees to pay compensation money, some of the money from the government will be paid to that company and to Maurice Blackburn for doing the work in the case. The Court will decide how much these payments will be, but you will not have to pay them from your own saved money.

If we lose the class action, you will not have to pay anything.

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