



THE POSSIBILITY PARTNERSHIP

OUR STORY

The Possibility Partnership is a group of Australian NGOs **collaborating with communities, government, philanthropy** and others to fundamentally reimagine the human services system and **contribute to a healthier and more equitable society** where everyone has what they need to flourish.

We know **the current system is not working well enough** for too many people around Australia. Our partnership is grounded in a shared responsibility and commitment to take action, change ourselves and work with others to shift systems.

THE OPPORTUNITY

We see an opportunity for change in every part of the human services sector from early years through aged care, in education, employment, disability and housing so we can better meet the needs of people and communities.

An opportunity to **co-design a system** that recognises the interconnectedness of people's experiences and **tackles the root causes of poverty** rather than managing the symptoms.

We see the potential in a system that **prioritises people and relationships**, supports First Nations peoples' right to self-determination, and **shifts power** so communities can design solutions that work for them. We want to be part of a sector that **collaborates more than we compete**, sharing resources and data so we progress together. (See page 2 for our design principles in full).

OUR APPROACH

We're changing ourselves and partnering with others to "Meet in the Middle" and collaborate for systems change. There is tremendous work happening across the country driven by communities who know what they need better than anyone. Yet, we're not seeing the learnings absorbed into the system so they can impact people beyond a specific location and context. We're creating more opportunities to bring together communities to meet in the middle with NGOs, government and philanthropy to shape 'the rules', including policies, funding, commissioning and evaluation.

Through targeted learning projects we are working alongside communities and others to try different things and learn what it takes to create systems built on trust, and that offer flexible and tailored support that works for everyone.

We are committed to changing ourselves in the process and learning in the open by sharing progress and setbacks, so the entire sector benefits.

We are ready to work with all parts of the system - communities, policy makers, philanthropy, nonprofits, and service deliverers **to co-create a future of new possibilities** with people, families and communities around Australia.

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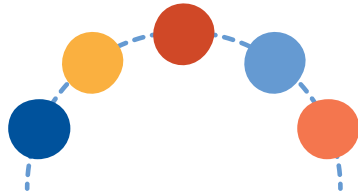
Uniting



5 Design Principles for A HEALTHY HUMAN SERVICES SYSTEMS

1 Meet in the Middle

Bringing people together from all parts of the system so that the expertise of people and services on the ground and in communities influences and shapes the way 'rules' are made.



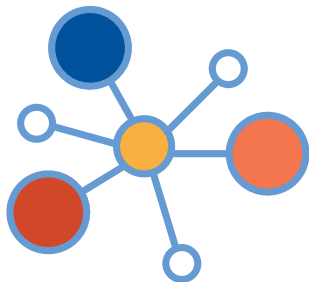
2 Collaborate across boundaries

Sharing resources, information and data to enable better community outcomes. Support improved coordination, connection and integration between service providers, government and community.



3 Prioritise people and relationships

Defaulting to trust, and reimagining how our systems interact with people and families, in ways that recognise people as full and complete humans and enable more relational service delivery.



4 Share and devolve power

Putting more decision making and autonomy in the hands of people and communities, to support outcomes that people care about.



5 Address root causes

Looking beyond just the symptoms of the challenges created in complex systems. Moving from crisis response to working on systems and building capabilities that help prevent crises in the first place.