

## MAKING A SUBMISSION

We encourage all First Peoples to participate in Yoorrook's work. This information sheet talks about how to make a submission. For more information see Information sheet 2: Different ways to tell your truth.

### WHAT CAN I SAY IN MY SUBMISSION?

You can say anything you like about your (or your family and community's) past or current experiences of systemic injustice. You can make your submission as an individual or as a group.

A submission can take any form you choose. It can be:

- a written account
- a photo
- a video or audio recording
- a story or poem
- a recording of a dance or song
- a submission or letter you sent to a complaints body, other agency or previous inquiry
- a truth telling object, such as an artwork, cultural artefact, or something that you have made
- any other form of expression you wish to share

You can make your submission electronically. You can also give or loan Yoorrook a physical truth telling object, like an artwork or cultural artefact.

There are some truth-telling objects Yoorrook cannot accept for cultural or legal reasons, such as ancestor objects, like tools, shields, baskets or clothing. If you have these items, please contact us and we can help find the right place for them.

### WHAT WILL YOORROOK DO WITH MY SUBMISSION?

Yoorrook will use the information in your submission to tell the story of how colonisation has impacted First Peoples, the strength and resilience of First Peoples, and the survival of cultures, knowledge and traditions. Your truth-telling will also help us make recommendations for healing, system reform and practical changes to laws, policy and education.

Yoorrook protects the information rights of First Peoples through our Indigenous data sovereignty protocols. You can choose whether all or only parts of your submission are used by Yoorrook on the website, in publications, or displayed at events.

You can also choose whether the parts that can be used are used with your name or anonymously. You will be asked to decide how you want your submission to be treated by Yoorrook.

For more information see Information sheet 4: Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Data Governance.

## HOW TO GET HELP

Yoorrook's community engagement team can help you complete the submission form. If you want, they can also help to take a photo, video or audio recording of your submission.

All our community engagement team are trusted community members. For more information and to make an appointment with our community engagement team, contact us on 1800 YOO RRK (1800 966 775) or at [enquiries@yoorrook.org.au](mailto:enquiries@yoorrook.org.au).

## HOW TO MAKE YOUR SUBMISSION

You can make your submission electronically on our website.

Yoorrook's community engagement team can call or visit to assist you with this process.

You can submit a physical truth-telling object as your submission by contacting Yoorrook on 1800 YOO RRK (1800 966 775) or at [enquiries@yoorrook.org.au](mailto:enquiries@yoorrook.org.au)