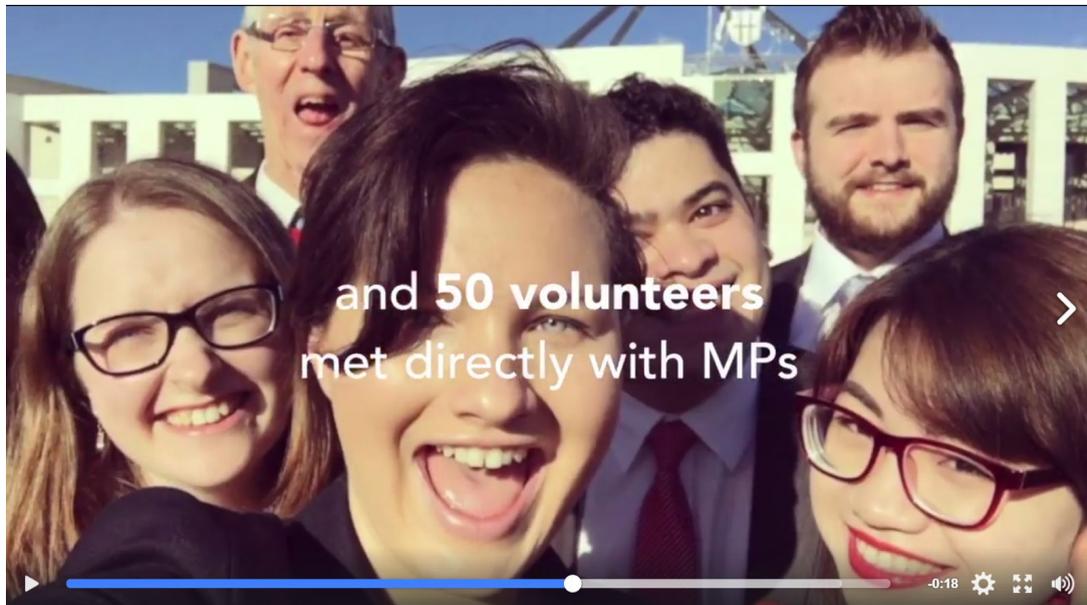


Anti-Poverty Week: Take Action Now!

Due to your commitment and hardwork, Foreign Minister Julie Bishop [announced](#) last Saturday that Australia will be providing an additional \$30 million in humanitarian assistance for people in these countries who are facing food insecurity and famine due to drought, displacement and conflict.

\$20 million dollars will go to provide international relief efforts to the 13 million people who have fled their homes in Somalia and South Sudan. A further \$10million will go to Yemen to assist those who do not have access to food and health services to those experiencing famine including clean water to some 30,000 people with cholera.

Your voices have heard and your efforts will help protect millions of men, women and children from disease and starvation. But to truly understand the impact your advocacy our guest speaker this month will be Lauren O'Connor from the [World Health Organisation](#). Lauren has recently moved from working at the WHO Headquarters to working in the field in Yemen.

We know you have no intention of stopping now - after all you're on a roll! Preparations for your Anti-Poverty Week events are in full swing. This year [Anti-Poverty week](#) (APW) will be held on the **15th to the 21st of October**.

'Foodies Against Famine'

Hosting an event gives us the opportunity to showcase how the work we do at **RESULTS helps raise awareness of issues impacting people living in poverty, builds political will and increases Australian investment to create a fairer and safer world.** Even with the increase in support for South Sudan, Somalia and Yemen, conflict, displacement and drought still continue and public awareness and understanding of the situation continues to be shockingly low. A recent survey of more than 1,000 people by SBS revealed that **only 32% were aware of the crisis**, and had a low level of understanding of why people were starving and facing severe food insecurity.

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Foodies Against Famine gives us the opportunity to meet new people, share our stories and discuss our volunteer experience with RESULTS. It's also a chance to start a conversation about the shared struggles and humanity of people living in poverty.

Just a taste of some of the Foodies Against Famine events planned:

Melbourne: Anti Poverty Week evening 7.30pm Monday 16th October

Canberra: Anti Poverty Week Panel, Crawford School for Public Policy, 7pm Friday October 20th

Perth: Battle of the Bands, Swan Basement North Fremantle 7pm Saturday October 21st

Sydney West: Movie Night (Lion , Casula Powerhouse,) 6.30pm Friday November

Take Action Now

1. Invite friends and people in the community to your APW event.
 - o Look into local community gatherings that you can use to promote your events using flyers, posters or props (such as our MUAC straps from [last month's Action Sheet](#)). Similarly, find groups in your area advocating on similar issues and invite them along.
 - o Create a Facebook event, and share your event details on social media
 - o Meet or write personal messages to friends and family asking them to attend
2. As a group, fill out your Events form and send back to us at info@results.org.au.
3. Assign jobs! eg who is going to greet people, who will help setup, who is providing food and drinks and who is taking photos etc
4. Plan for pre-event meeting or phone call as a group.

How to invite current and new supporters to your event:

1. Send a brief email to them, introducing yourself, your group and provide brief details on your event, including why it's important that they join you.
2. Be polite and persistent, and be willing to answer any questions they have about RESULTS and your event.
3. When a new person attends the event, ensure you introduce yourself and other members of your group to them, and provide them with materials on the day about the campaign. Make sure you have a sign-up sheet ready to go on the day.
4. Follow-up with a thank you email, and post photos and information about the event on social media, tagging the participants in any photos. When posting you can use the hashtags #APW2017 and #voices4RESULTS

Please don't forget to report your action at results.org.au/Report

Don't Forget: Join our Action Call on September 26 from 3.30-4.30pm
. Meeting ID 646 924 3921.

Join at <https://zoom.us/j/6469243921> and turn video on so we can see you.
Connect to audio via your computer when prompted, or by phone by calling 02 8015 2088.