Horizon 2 of the *2023-2030 Australian Cyber Security Strategy*

For individuals, community groups and the not-for-profit sector

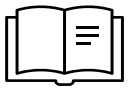
The *2023-2030 Australian Cyber Security Strategy* provides a roadmap for Australia to become a world-leader in cyber security by 2030. It sets out the actions that will be taken by the Australian Government to achieve this over three time-based horizons.

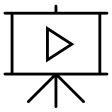
The *Action Plan for Horizon 2 of the 2023-2030 Australian Cyber Security Strategy* (Horizon 2 Action Plan) sets out 19 actions to be delivered through 64 initiatives, led by 12 different agencies across the Australian Government. These actions and initiatives will enable us to scale-up cyber maturity across the economy in 2026-2028, leveraging the legal and policy frameworks established through our work under Horizon 1 (2023-2025).

This fact sheet provides individuals, community groups and the not-for-profit sector with information about what has been delivered under Horizon 1, and how the Horizon 2 Action Plan supports them.

Initiatives delivered under Horizon 1

The **Ransomware Playbook** is a **free** online resource that provides easy-to-understand guidance to individuals about how to detect and prepare for a ransomware attack, how to respond and report in the event of an attack and what resources are available to support you to recover.





A further two phases of the ***Act Now. Stay Secure.* public education campaign** have been launched to provide awareness on the simple actions that every Australian can take to improve their cyber security.

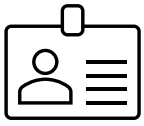
Further resources and information are available on the Act Now. Stay Secure. website.

The **Cyber Health Check Tool** is now available and is another **free** online resource that provides individuals and organisations with a basic cyber security assessment. This will let you know practical steps you, or your business or organisation can take, to improve your cyber resilience.

IDCARE has been funded by the Australian Government to continue providing **guidance and assistance to victims of identity crime**.

Further information about the services IDCARE provides is available on their website.

The Australian Government's **Digital ID System has been expanded**, reducing the need for people to share sensitive personal information with government and businesses when verifying their identity. As at December 2025, over 15 million Digital IDs were used to securely access government services.



You can find out more on the myID website.

Just under **$7 million of funding has been provided to community groups through the Cyber Security Awareness Support for Vulnerable Groups Grant Program**. The program is targeted at enabling community groups to provide contextually appropriate training and assistance to the communities that they serve, including First Nations, culturally and linguistically diverse, people with disabilities, youth and elderly people.

Further detail about the delivery of the full suite of 20 actions and 60 initiatives under Horizon 1 is available on the Home Affairs website.

Horizon 2 initiatives supporting individuals, community groups and the not-for-profit sector

There are a number of initiatives and reforms that will support individuals, community groups and not-for-profits over Horizon 2. Here are just a few examples:

For individuals:

- We will continue and **expand the *Act Now. Stay Secure.*** public education campaign with a renewed focus and targeted streams to support Australians and protect from AI-enabled cyber threats.
- We will **expand the Digital ID program by making it available to the private-sector**, reducing the need for individuals to share identity documents and for government agencies and businesses to store them.
- We will continue to **enhance security requirements for smart devices and internet-connected technology** to ensure that the technology that Australians use in their day-to-day lives is secure by design and default. This includes work targeting the security of consumer-grade modems and routers, connected vehicles and connected vehicle infrastructure, and domestic solar panels and batteries.
- This work will be supported by our continued co-design with industry on the **national voluntary labelling scheme for smart devices**, enabling consumers to make informed choices about the technology they purchase. We will also establish a **voluntary Code of Practice for routers and modems** supplied by internet service providers to their customers.
- Working with behavioural science experts, we will develop a **suite of tools to encourage and enable cyber safe behaviours**. We will incorporate these into our future policies and programs, and share these with industry to consider in their online systems and digital interactions.

For community groups:

- **Enhancing the Cyber Health Check Tool** to ensure it remains up-to-date and easily accessible, providing a basic cyber security assessment and tailored action plan for small organisations and individuals.
- We will continue to **deliver the Cyber Awareness Support for Vulnerable Groups grant program** for community groups to provide relevant, practical advice on cyber security for at-risk communities.

For the not-for-profit sector:

- We will roll out a **new CyberSmart Program** to provide a nationally consistent, fit-for-purpose cyber security standard for small and medium sized businesses—which will also be tailored to not-for-profit organisations. Further information about CyberSmart is available on the Home Affairs website.

In collaboration with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission, we will:

- establish a free-to-join **Not-for-Profit Cyber Uplift Community of Practice** to enable trusted knowledge sharing, peer support, access to events and resources, and collaboration with Government, industry and academia to uplift sector-wide cyber capability, and
- undertake a **capability assessment of current cyber services and support available to the not-for-profit sector** and use the findings to strengthen and better target existing cyber resources and support through dedicated channels.

Further detail about the 19 actions and 64 initiatives that will be delivered under Horizon 2 is available on the Home Affairs website.

How you can stay informed about Horizon 2

We will provide regular updates about the progress of Horizon 2, including opportunities for consultation and co-design processes and upcoming events and Town Halls. To stay up to date check the Home Affairs website.

For further enquiries, please contact CSSH2@homeaffairs.gov.au.