

# Conversation starters

FRIDAY: How did we end up here?

Do you think you  
are well-off, average  
or financially  
disadvantaged?

Why do you think people  
end up in poverty?

What can we do to help that  
person out of poverty?





## Some tips to think about and keep the conversation going:

- Being in poverty is nothing to be ashamed of! There are lots of reasons a person might fall into poverty including family violence, illness/injuries or natural disasters.
- Poverty is actually quite common in Australia. Over three million Australians live in poverty. That includes 774,000 children – or one in every six children.\*
- Sometimes people can be struggling, but we cannot always see it. Why do you think people might hide being in poverty?
- What do you think we can do as a country to protect people from falling into poverty?



\* Source: Poverty in Australia, ACOSS and UNSW Sydney



Find out more about  
poverty in Australia.



If you need help, please  
reach out to us.

