Australia is Nauru’s largest development, trade and investment partner. We are committed to supporting Nauru’s stability and prosperity.

Under the Australia-Nauru Aid Partnership Arrangement, the governments of Australia and Nauru are working together to improve economic growth opportunities and reduce poverty in Nauru. Australia’s aid to Nauru includes improving public sector management; investing in nation building infrastructure; and supporting human development, with a particular focus on health and education.

**Strategic direction**

The 2023-24 Nauru program will have a stronger focus on health and economic governance, as Nauru recovers from three years of COVID-19 disruptions. Australia’s development cooperation aligns with Nauru’s development priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

We invest in Nauru’s health system to strengthen health preparedness through community-based health clinics and targeted technical assistance whilst addressing infectious disease outbreaks and non-communicable diseases (SDG 3).

Nauru’s economic recovery is underpinned by effective public financial management (SDG 17). Our governance partnership with Nauru strengthens public sector management by placing advisers in senior management roles to build local capacity. To support Nauru’s long-term economic resilience, we contribute to the Inter-generational Nauru Trust Fund. Australia also invests in Nauru’s essential infrastructure and services (SDGs 6, 9).

Australia invests in early childhood education, work readiness and skills for labour mobility, as well as supports opportunities for women in training and employment pathways (SDG 4, 8). Our programs support gender and social inclusion (SDG 5).

**Program highlights**

- Australia’s health sector support includes community based primary health care, public health preparedness, essential health infrastructure and information management systems. Australia also supported equitable access to safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines.
- Australia’s new education investment will support inclusive and equitable education pathways that develop relevant knowledge and skills and aims to improve school enrolment and attendance.
- Australia provides funding support for Nauru’s deep water port construction project, supporting climate resilience.