Pacific Policing Partnerships

Australia is committed to strengthening our Pacific policing partnerships and the region's law enforcement architecture to achieve community safety and wellbeing - the foundations for economic growth.



Building inclusive, secure and accountable law and justice systems



More than 100 Australian Federal Police (AFP) officers are stationed across the Pacific, working closely with local police services

 AFP and Pacific police officers take a partnership approach, sharing best practice, resources, and capabilities to meet current and future security needs

Australia supports the **Pacific Islands Chiefs of Police** (PICP) by delivering important initiatives such as the **Pacific Community for Law Enforcement Cooperation** (PCLEC) regional coordination mechanism:

- PCLEC coordinates long and short-term support for Pacific police in priority areas. For example, with PCLEC support, Australia and Fiji supported UN pre-deployment training at the Blackrock training facility for police from Fiji, Kiribati, Solomon Islands, Samoa, Vanuatu, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Tonga and Tuvalu
- The AFP works closely with Pacific police and law enforcement partners to enhance coordination of capability development, including through training and equipment under the AFP's Law Enforcement Cooperation Program and partnership arrangements

Australia is supporting the **Pacific Policing Initiative** (PPI) — a Pacific-led initiative to boost the capability of Pacific island countries to meet law and order and internal security requirements, and to help each other in times of need

 The PPI will deliver regional police training Centres of Excellence, a Pacific Police Support Group to deploy in response to Pacific requirements, and a development and coordination hub

The AFP shares operational and tactical intelligence related to criminal activity via the **Pacific Transnational Crime Network** and the **Pacific Transnational Crime Coordination Centre** and is actively supporting the **Interpol Project Blue Pacific** to prevent crime and strengthen networks

The AFP and police forces in Fiji, New Zealand and Tonga have established the **Transnational Serious Organised Crime Pacific Taskforce** to combat serious and organised crime

Under the **Pacific Police Infrastructure Program**, Australia is improving police infrastructure, including building police stations, housing and barracks to support the growth of policing services

We are strengthening criminal and policing frameworks, including contributing to the **Pacific Islands Law Officers' Network**, a regional network of senior Pacific law and justice officials sharing expertise and supporting regional cooperation

Australia is providing a package of support to grow the size and capability of the **Royal Solomon Islands Police Force** in response to a request from Solomon Islands



Photo: Royal Solomon Islands Police Force Explosive Ordnance Disposal course trainee during a graduation ceremony at Hells Point, Guadalcanal

> Australia's policing cooperation in the Pacific is guided by Pacific priorities and regional forums and bodies, including the Pacific Islands Forum, PICP, and the Joint Heads of Pacific Security



We are transparent and coordinated in our efforts, delivering in line with Pacific priorities and through genuine partnership. We are committed to empowering Pacific leadership in the design and delivery of capability development activities

