

SA Election - March 2026

Ask your candidates...



In the lead up to the South Australian Election on 21 March 2026, JFA Purple Orange is calling on all political parties and candidates to commit to improving the lives of people with disability, giving them the greatest opportunity to choose how they live as active, valued, and equal members of our communities.

Below, we highlight three key issues you can ask your local candidates about before you vote.

Fund independent advocacy

Independent disability advocacy services are critically important for keeping South Australians with disability safe from violence, abuse, neglect, and exploitation. They are also a cost-effective way to support people to access what they need and help solve problems before they escalate. Their independence is crucial for this.

South Australia is the only state where the State Government does not meet its responsibility to fund independent disability advocacy services (current services are federally funded and not enough to meet need). The Disability Royal Commission recommended long-term and stable State Government funding be provided (rec 6.21).

Ask: Will you argue for State Government investment in independent individual, representative, and systemic disability advocacy services to meet need?

End accessible housing exemptions

Everyone should have an accessible, affordable, and safe place to call home. Implementing the National Construction Code 2022 Livable Housing Design Standard in October 2024 was a positive step forward. But it came with blanket exemptions that reduce how many new houses are built with accessibility features. These need to end when they are reviewed in April 2026 to make sure enough houses meet access needs.

Ask: Will you support implementing the National Construction Code 2022 Livable Housing Design Standard in full and ending all SA blanket exemptions in April 2026?

Commit to inclusive education

Decades of research and evidence tells us that inclusive education best prepares all children and young people for life and success. Unfortunately, too many kids with disability are being excluded from their local mainstream schools. Many experience bullying, discrimination, inappropriate discipline, gatekeeping, and similar. Recent reforms have not done enough to address this.

A State Inclusive Education Strategy will set out the steps needed to ensure every student can learn alongside their peers and be a valued member of their local school community.

Ask: Will you advocate for a co-designed State Inclusive Education Strategy?

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Join us at our **SA State Election Disability Forum**

10 February 2026, 1pm to 3pm
UCity - 43 Franklin St, Adelaide

Register via the QR code or <https://buff.ly/cVVQAok>