

Centacare Evolve Housing Fact Sheet

Finding a Home

Housing Connect is the service that can help you find a home in Tasmania.

Housing Connect is for people who are:

- new to public or social housing
- living in public or social housing already.



They will work with you to find out what kind of support you need. This might include:

- help finding a home to rent
- help finding a home to buy
- help you to access support services
- finding somewhere to stay if you are in crisis, for example, a motel if you need to leave quickly to escape family violence
- help with the cost of moving
- help to stay in your home.

Getting to know the social housing providers

There are a number of different organisations that manage housing. They are called 'social housing providers'. Their role is similar to that of a real estate agent or landlord in the private rental market. Centacare Evolve Housing is one of these providers.

Some examples of social housing providers currently working in Tasmania include:

- Centacare Evolve Housing
- Community Housing Limited
- Housing Choices Tasmania
- Housing Tasmania
- Mission Australia Housing



The social housing providers work in different areas of the state. You can find out more about these providers at www.communities.tas.gov.au/housing. There is a lot of information under 'Better Housing Futures'. You can also get more information through Housing Connect.

Who can use social housing?

Social housing is for people who are in need of housing support. Each of the social housing providers, including Centacare Evolve Housing, have different rules about who can use their services. When you talk to Housing Connect, they will help you work out if you can use social housing.

As a guide, the following rules apply to Centacare Evolve Housing services. If you want to live in a home that is managed by Centacare Evolve Housing, you must:

- live in Tasmania, not another state or territory
- be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- be 16 years or older
- be a low income earner who is eligible for a Commonwealth Health Care Card
- not own a home of your own
- not have financial assets worth more than \$35,000. This includes things like shares, property and money in the bank. This amount also includes your assets and the assets of any other people who live in your household. It does not include things like your car or your household items.

Where can you find Housing Connect?

Housing Connect has offices in the following locations:



Suburb	Address
Hobart	Level 3/181 Collins Street
Rosny	Suites 3 & 4, 13 Bayfield Street
Launceston	118 Elizabeth Street
Devonport	31 King Street
Burnie	6 Strahan Street
Queenstown	West Coast Crisis Service, 11 Sticht Street
Smithton	Wyndarra Centre, 43 Smith Street