

Referral & Assessment Pathways



For further information on the Program or referring process please contact FAN (Inner East Referrals) on 9890 2673 or Anchor Community Care (Outer East Referrals) on 9760 6400. Referrals can be made via the Eastern Homelessness Network (EHN) under the vacancy register at www.ehn.net.au.

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Youth Homelessness Action Plan Stage 2

creating connections

Making Private Rental A Success



What is creating connections?

Through the Creating Connections Youth Homelessness Action Plan (YHAP2) initiative Family Access Network (FAN) and Anchor Community Care, as part of the Integrated Youth Hubs in the Eastern Metropolitan Region (EMR), have established a Private Rental Brokerage Program to assist single young people and single parents, aged 15-25, to secure and maintain private rental housing.

The funding provides for a full time Private Rental Brokerage Worker at each site and associated resources such as: flexible support packages to assist young people secure and establish private rental accommodation; the development and delivery of skills based programs to increase opportunities for sustainability in the private rental market; and the development of collaborative working relationships with existing homelessness services, real estate agents and specialist services as required.

FAN's Private Rental Brokerage Worker supports the Inner Eastern Local Government Areas (LGAs) of The Cities of Whitehorse, Boroondara, Monash and Manningham, and Anchor's Worker supports the Outer Eastern LGAs of The Shire of Yarra Ranges and the Cities of Knox and Maroondah.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the program the young person must be;

- ⇒ Young single people and/or young single parents aged 15 - 25 years of age from the EMR;
- ⇒ With 3 months of proven engagement with a housing case manager; and
- ⇒ Actively engaging and meeting case plan goals and identified as private rental ready by the referring service.

Young people identified as homeless or at risk of homelessness by ancillary services for example JPET, mental health, drug and alcohol etc. and linked within a case managed response may access group, workshop based activities.



Aims of the Program



The primary aim of the private rental brokerage program is for homeless young people to establish and maintain housing stability within the private rental market.

The Program aims to achieve;

- ⇒ Private rental housing options for young people;
- ⇒ Sustainable and affordable tenancies in private rental for young people;
- ⇒ A positive private rental experience for young people, which will assist in their future housing options;
- ⇒ Increased living and budgeting skills, especially those required to sustain private rental;
- ⇒ Successful transitions for young people from temporary housing to the private rental market;
- ⇒ A greater understanding by real estate agents of the complexities facing young people entering the private rental market;
- ⇒ Stronger partnerships between homelessness services, real estate agents and specialist services.

