



Promoting Affordable Housing

Newsletter

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New website

Shelter WA is pleased to announce its new website at www.shelterwa.org.au. The website is designed to make it easy for users to access information, and provide feedback, on a range of housing issues. The Shelter WA team are pleased in what we have achieved with the new design and ask our members and subscribers to send their feedback to shelterwa@shelterwa.org.au.

State election results

Shelter WA would like to congratulate the new and returning members of Parliament following the State Election on 9 March. Hon Bill Marmion MLA adds Housing to his portfolio and Hon Helen Morton MLC will become the Minister for Child Protection, which includes homelessness. Hon John Day MLA will continue in his role as Minister for Planning. We would also like to congratulate the members who participated in the Shelter WA election forum on their re-election including Hon Lynn Maclaren MLC, Hon Bill Johnston MLA and Hon Sue Ellery MLC. We look forward to working with members of Parliament and the new Ministers in the coming year.

The first meeting of the Parliament will be on Thursday 11 April 2013. On that day, the new Legislative Assembly members will be sworn in, and the Legislative Council will resume. The newly-elected members of the Legislative Council will not take their seats until after 21 May 2013.

COAG to receive housing report in April

Paul Osborne, AAP Senior Political Writer, 1 March 2013

A REPORT examining the current state of housing and homelessness in Australia will go to Prime Minister Julia Gillard and the state premiers in late April.

The COAG Reform Council will use the latest census data for the report, which will examine how the National Affordable Housing Agreement is working. The agreement, which began in November 2009, was set up to provide \$6.2 billion over five years in housing assistance for low and middle income earners. COAG Reform Council chairman John Brumby said the report would examine how the agreement was tackling homelessness, housing affordability, the efficiency of the housing market, Indigenous peoples' access to housing and overcrowding in remote areas. "We will be using new data on homelessness which has never been given to COAG before," he said in a media briefing.

The report is expected to be publicly released in June. The Council of Australian Governments will next meet on April 19. You can access the complete article [here](#).

Shelter WA Submissions, Resources and Projects

Shelter WA is currently working on the following submissions and projects. If you have any issues or concerns you would like us to consider when preparing our submissions or you wish to attend a forum contact Stephanie at cdpo@shelterwa.org.au or phone 9325 6660.

Shelter WA Policy Platform 2013-2015 Housing in WA: Affordability & Sustainability for the Future

Just 0.5% of private rentals are affordable for low-income households, 9,500 people are homeless in WA and of those fortunate enough to have a home in WA, 43% of those on a low income are in housing stress.

"It's a sad reflection in a State as prosperous as WA, and the [Shelter WA Policy Platform](#) spells out some solid policies to address this," said Shelter WA Executive Officer Chantal Roberts.

The Policy Platform hinges around a central call for one State Minister responsible for Housing, Homelessness and Urban Development. In short Shelter WA's policies propose that:

- The WA Government appoint a single Minister for Housing, Homelessness and Urban Development;
- Stamp duty is abolished in favour of a more equitable land tax;
- Urban planning amendments are prioritised;
- Reform of the private rental sector is undertaken through an improved investment mix and enhanced rental supports;
- The social housing sector is expanded; and
- Homeless services are restructured and enhanced, and marginal housing improved.

"The WA Government has implemented a number of good initiatives that begin to address this, but to really tackle the issue we as a society – led by government in partnership with the private and non-profit sectors - need to take responsibility for real and lasting change, through reform and expansion."

Media contact: Chantal Roberts, Executive Officer, eo@shelterwa.org.au

Shelter WA Young People, Housing & Homelessness Final Report

Shelter WA and the Youth Affairs Council of WA (YACWA) have released their final report *Young People, Housing and Homelessness Final Report*. A copy of the report is available [here](#)

Shelter WA Housing Options Kit

With the high cost of housing in WA, it is important that people have useful, accurate information to find the right kind of affordable accommodation. People need to know what to consider and where to go for assistance in seeking crisis or supported accommodation, renting in social housing or the private rental market, and in purchasing a home. The free Housing Option Kit helps them do just that.

There are many valuable services and housing providers in WA aimed at assisting people experiencing homelessness, people on low incomes, or who are otherwise disadvantaged in the housing market. However, it is often difficult for people to know where to go – and for service providers to know where to send their clients. The Housing Options Kit builds awareness of the services available and helps connect people to the appropriate service.

The free kit is particularly useful to service providers working with people in need of housing, or in need of transitioning from one type of tenure to another such as out of crisis accommodation and into social housing, or from a private rental into affordable home ownership.

You can view or download the Housing Options Kit on the [Shelter WA website](#).

State Planning Strategy Shelter WA Submission

Shelter WA recently finalised its [submission on the Department of Planning State Planning Strategy \(Draft\) 2012](#). The strategy was prepared by the Department of Planning, under the guidance of the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC), to meet the future planning challenges and opportunities in relation to economic development, education, training and knowledge transfer, tourism, environment, agriculture and food, and physical and social infrastructure.

The strategy presents a vision for Western Australia to 2050 and beyond based on a framework of planning principles, strategic goals and State strategic directions. The document can be found on [WAPC's website](#).

This is a very important document for the future planning of Western Australia. The paper clearly recognises the importance of effectively planning the growth in our State over the course of the next 40 years. It promotes initiatives which Shelter WA is supportive of, including compact settlements, transit orientated development and mixed-use zoning, resource efficient design, community land trusts and community titling, and government cooperation. Shelter WA supports various initiatives to facilitate the creation of more affordable housing. These initiatives are particularly important as Perth, and WA, experience significant population growth. A State Planning Strategy must reflect the future housing needs of our growing community.

If any of our members or subscribers have any comments regarding the submission, they can forward them to Robert Gough through project@shelterwa.org.au



Affordable Rentals for City-Based Workers

The City of Perth is leasing 48 brand new one or two bedroom apartments in East Perth at 20% below market rates to low to moderate income earners who work within the City's boundaries.

Key City Worker Units

The City recognises the need to provide more affordable inner city living options for essential city workers employed in community services, hospitality, tourism and retail etc.

Due for completion in May 2013, the units are conveniently located in Goderich St, East Perth, close to shops and free city transport. Living costs will also be kept down through reduced heating and cooling costs due to their environmentally friendly design,

Apply now through Access Housing on 9430 0900 or www.accesshousing.org.au. Income limits and other [eligibility criteria apply](#).

Access Housing will manage 48 one and two bedroom units to be built by the City of Perth in Goderich Street, East Perth. The three storey walk up complex is situated within 2 kilometres of the CBD.

The complex will enable key city workers to reduce their cost of living by reducing rent expenses as well as through the innovative use of environmentally efficient design and construction.

To be eligible you must work a minimum of 20 hours per week within the City of Perth boundaries.

Your weekly gross income must be within the following limits:

One adult	\$848.62
2 adults	\$1,173.19
3 adults	\$1,497.77
Sole parent with 1 child	\$1,174.02
Couple with 1 child	\$1,454.63

You must also have less than \$75,000 per couple or \$50,000 for singles in liquid assets and not own a property to be eligible.

You will need to remain eligible for your entire tenancy, although your income may exceed the limit by 25% before you are required to find alternative housing.

To apply for these units, download and complete the [application form](#) and attach the following documents:

- Evidence of your entire household income for the last 12 months, such as pay slips, Centrelink income statements, or a tax return. If you submit a tax return please also attach evidence of your current household income, including payslips and/or Centrelink income statements.
- Copy of your current bank statement(s) detailing your cash assets.
- Copies of identification sufficient to satisfy the Australian [100 point identity check](#).

The form is also available at Access Housing's [Fremantle office](#) and can be mailed to you.

Post or email the completed application form to Access Housing. Once they have checked your eligibility, they will confirm that you have joined the waiting list. If you have any questions, please call the Fremantle office on 9430 0900 or email affordable.options@accesshousing.org.au.

Access Housing will allocate units in order of application, except the universal design units. Applicants with a disability will be given preference for these units.

Initial allocations to general applicants will be conducted by a ballot system. The ballot draw will be carried out openly and transparently. The results of the draw will be formally recorded. Subsequent allocations will be identified in order of applicant waiting time.

The units are being built now and are expected to be completed in May 2013.

Three years is the maximum length of tenancy.

The project has been developed by the City of Perth. Access Housing will manage it on their behalf. For additional information on the City of Perth or the project, go to: <http://perth.wa.gov.au/keycityworkerdevelopment>

Interested individuals don't delay! Applications are being accepted now for this rare opportunity for city living at an affordable rent.

Report Card for Planning

The Department of Planning and WA Planning Commission (WAPC) have commenced a comprehensive and strategic reform to improve the land use planning processes and the approvals system in Western Australia.

[Planning Makes It Happen - a blueprint for planning reform](#) sets out 11 key strategic priorities and a two year forward work program that includes 22 actions for the state. The 11 key priorities are:

- major project facilitation
- establishment of [development assessment panels](#)
- national reform agenda
- urban land supply and infrastructure coordination
- establishment of [regional committees](#) to provide regional leadership and direction for land use planning
- restructure of WAPC committees and governance framework
- a strategic plan for land use in metropolitan Perth and Peel - [Directions 2031](#)
- a development vision for Perth
- review of WAPC state planning policies
- streamlined, simplified and tracked structure planning
- ensuring the majority of single houses are planning approval exempt

At the end of the reform period Western Australia will have a very efficient, flexible and outcome-focused planning system. The system will be national best practice which has the confidence and support of the community.

Defaulting on the Australian Dream



Australians for Affordable Housing recently launched their report into the affordability of housing for workers in a number of occupations, [Defaulting on the Australian dream](#). The research shows that a full-time salary no longer guarantees access to affordable housing in Australia.

They've also created a new way for you to take action as part of the campaign. You can now [send a letter to the editor of your local newspaper](#) directly from their website. What's even more powerful than Australians for Affordable Housing contacting the media is for you to contact them directly – to tell your story of housing stress and why you believe housing stress should no longer be ignored.

Further information about their campaign can be downloaded [here](#).

Department of Housing, Regional Appeals Committee

The Department of Housing is about to commence advertising across the state for members of the community to join its Regional Appeals Committees.

The Regional Appeals Committees are the final tier of review for rental housing clients who are appealing adverse decisions, and Community Members play an important role on these committees, by ensuring the Department has applied policy and procedure fairly and correctly.

The Department are seeking new members that have an interest in social housing, and are hoping to attract an increased number of representatives who are Indigenous or who come from a culturally diverse background.

Persons interested in applying can do so through the Department of Housing website. An Expression of Interest Application Kit contains further information concerning the Selection Criteria, Terms of Reference for the position and how to lodge an application. **Application close 3:00pm, Monday 29th April 2013.**

The kit will also be available

- By email request to: appealsfeedback@housing.wa.gov.au or
- By phoning Relationships and Agreements (Appeals Recruitment) on (08) 9222 4546.

National Shelter Update

- [Housing supply: media releases](#)
- [Meeting housing needs: media releases](#)
- [Making livable environments: media releases](#)

National Shelter media release — 28 March 2013

National Shelter has welcomed the Australian Government, state and territories' commitment to ending homelessness and their long-term investment in affordable rental housing.

Today the federal government announced Round 5 of the National Rental Affordability Scheme to be delivered in 2015–16.

Additionally, the states and territories matched the federal government's pledge for the National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness with a total of \$320 million for one year.

Chair of National Shelter, Adrian Pisarski, said that the federal, state and territories' commitments ensured the continuation of crucial homelessness services and access to affordable housing for low-income earners.

'The continuation of the National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness is a significant step forward in ending homelessness.

'The transitional period must be used to develop a long-term strategic approach to ending homelessness and improving the alignment between housing and homelessness services.

'The one-year transitional agreement for 2013–14 will ensure services will be able to continue and we look forward to further detail from the Commonwealth, states and territories' plans.'

For more information:

- Adrian Pisarski, Chairperson: 0417 975 270
- Kim Zoe Evans, Communications Officer: 0404 429 20

New Video about Housing and Homelessness

In October, 2012 attendees of the Shelter SA Homeless Connect Expo, many of them vulnerable South Australians, recorded their housing needs. Shelter SA has released a video of these conversations that you can watch and share [here](#). We encourage you to take the time to watch the video.



Read Shelter SA's [media release](#) and [document](#) that clearly links the video with the lack of a State Housing Strategy in SA.

You can comment on the video on the Shelter SA [facebook page](#).

Discussion/Issue Papers, Submissions, Surveys, Petitions

Parity Call for Contributions

The May 2013 edition of *Parity* is entitled *What Works: Policy, Program and Service Responses to Aboriginal Homelessness*. Aboriginal Australians are custodians of some of the oldest living cultures on earth. Despite the richness and resilience of Aboriginal communities, Aboriginal people experience homelessness at rates that far exceed their representation in the Australian population as a whole and also among people experiencing homelessness.

For more information, read the [Call for Contributions document](#). **Contributions must be received by 12 April 2013.**

Living together survey

Do you have adult children living at home? Do you live at home with your parents? Do you have adult children and elderly parents living with you? The City Futures research team at the University of New South Wales is conducting a research project on why there has been an increase in the number of multi-generation households in Australian cities. By participating in the survey you could win one of three \$100 Coles Myer gift cards. Your opinions will inform governments and the housing industry about the changing needs of Australian families. For more information and to take the survey visit the [City Futures website](http://www.surveys.unsw.edu.au/survey/156684/2081/) . <http://www.surveys.unsw.edu.au/survey/156684/2081/>

If you would like to take part in any of Shelter WA's surveys, please click on the links below:

[Affordable Housing Survey](#)

[Renting in WA Survey](#)

[Feedback on the Disruptive Behaviour Management Strategy](#)

2014 Annual Information Statement Public Consultation

The ACNC is seeking feedback on the 2014 Annual Information Statement (AIS). The consultation will be open for six weeks, concluding at 5pm on 26 April 2013. This consultation paper, issued by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC), seeks feedback on the additional questions and financial information which it proposes to collect in the 2014 AIS.

Please respond by addressing the seven specific consultation questions in this paper.

The ACNC is very keen to hear from a wide range of charities and their representatives and advisors from across the country. Every effort will be made to accommodate your suggestions within the limitations of the requirements of the ACNC Act.

This consultation paper should be read in conjunction with the ACNC's policy for Annual Information Statements, which provides a more comprehensive overview of the legislative background and objectives of the AIS, and the recently published [sample 2013 Annual Information Statement](#). You can find more information about the National Standard Chart of Accounts (NSCOA) on the [Queensland University of Technology \(QUT\) website](#). Any specific NSCOA questions should be directed to the QUT team at DYO@qut.edu.au.

Once you have read the 2014 AIS Public Consultation Paper dated 13 March 2013 you can give your feedback by:

- [completing the online survey](#) (this is the way we'd prefer you to provide your feedback) or
- emailing your responses to the seven specific consultation questions to consultations@acnc.gov.au or
- posting your responses to the seven specific consultation questions to:

Reporting and Red Tape Reduction Directorate

ACNC

GPO Box 5108

Melbourne, Victoria, 3001

The consultation period will close at 5pm on 26 April 2013.

We understand that charities are being consulted on a range of matters, both in relation to not-for-profit reform and on other policy areas relevant to their work. We appreciate your participation and we recognise that it is a voluntary contribution of valuable time.

If you provide a written submission, we will publish it after it is received, unless you ask us not to. After this consultation has closed, we promise to publish:

- an analysis of feedback, and
- a review of the consultation process.

[2014 AIS Public Consultation Paper \[PDF 861KB\]](#)

[Attachment \(i\) - Proposed 2014 AIS additional questions for small charities \[PDF 454KB\]](#)

[Attachment \(ii\) - Proposed 2014 AIS additional questions for medium and large charities \[PDF 575KB\]](#)

[Attachment \(iii\) - Proposed additional guidance notes in the 2014 AIS \[PDF 579KB\]](#)

[Attachment \(iv\) - National Standard Chart of Accounts \(NSCOA\) \[PDF 634KB\]](#)

[ACNC Website](#)

The 2013 National NAIDOC theme is announced and the poster competition and nominations for the NAIDOC Awards are now open!

The theme for NAIDOC Week 2013 is *We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963*. For a full [description of this theme](#) please visit the NAIDOC website.

Indigenous artists are invited to submit an artwork to the 2013 [National NAIDOC Poster Competition](#) based on this year's theme. **Entries close Friday 29 March.**

If you know an Indigenous person who deserves recognition for their achievements then nominate them for a 2013 [National NAIDOC Award](#). **Nominations close Friday 26 April.**

Forms are available online at www.naidoc.org.au or from your nearest Indigenous Coordination Centre.

Best Practice Code for Engagement with Not-for-Profits Released

The Federal Government has released a draft Code of Best Practice for Engagement with the Not for Profit sector to mark the third anniversary of the National Compact.

The Minister for Social Inclusion Mark Butler said that the draft Engagement Code will be a practical reference tool for Not for Profits and the Government when engaging on issues of public concern.

"The Code aims to strengthen our engagement practices with NFPs and make sure that the voice of the sector is heard," Butler said.

Butler said the Code was developed collaboratively by the Government and the NFP Sector Reform Council, following consultation with the sector.

"The Engagement Code undertakes to develop consultation materials in partnership with the NFP sector, to be clear about the purposes of consultations, to provide a broad range of methods for submission, and to provide meaningful feedback on the sector's submissions."

The Government says it plans to implement the code across all areas of government, including through 'Compact Advocates' who have been appointed at the Deputy Secretary level in all Commonwealth departments.

"Compact Advocates are playing an important role in the NFP reforms - streamlining funding arrangements with NFPs, reducing the red tape burden associated with financial reporting and strengthening dialogue between the sector and the Government," Butler said.

"The Government's dialogue with the sector is ongoing through its network of Compact Partners with over 890 NFP organisations having signed up to support the National Compact so far."

The National Compact was [launched in March 2010](#) by former Labor Prime Minister Ken Rudd.

A copy of the draft Engagement Code may be found at www.notforprofit.gov.au.

The engagement code will be a practical reference tool for Not-for-Profit organisations and the Government when engaging on policy development. [The draft code has been released for final consultation](#). **Comments will be received until 29 April 2013.**

To provide comment please email nationalcompact@pmc.gov.au. Please see the [media release](#) from the Minister for Social Inclusion.

[Protecting Australia's Children: Research and Evaluation Register](#)

The Protecting Australia's Children: Research and Evaluation Register is a searchable database of Australian research and evaluation undertaken since 1995. The 1380 projects and publications included in this Register cover a range of topics relating to the protection of Australia's children including:

- the prevention of child abuse and neglect;
- early intervention;
- child protection services;
- out of home care; and
- support for children who have experienced abuse or neglect.

The projects and publications included in the Register were identified through a literature search and through details provided by researchers working in the field. **Users are encouraged to submit their own projects to the Register** - for more information please go to [Submit a project](#).

A complete list of publications is available on the [CFCA publications](#) page.

Reviewing the Paid Parental Leave scheme, Have your say!

Download the Terms of Reference and Discussion Paper

[Terms of Reference](#)  [250KB] [Terms of Reference](#)  [37KB]

[Discussion Paper](#)  [515KB] [Discussion Paper](#)  [48KB]

The Australian Government is undertaking a review of the Paid Parental Leave Scheme, as required under the [Paid Parental Leave Act 2010](#). The legislated review started in January 2013. The [Terms of Reference](#) outline the purpose and scope of the review.

The review will take into account the matters set out in legislation and will draw on submissions, consultations, administrative data and the emerging findings of the independent Paid Parental Leave evaluation.

Australia's first national Paid Parental Leave scheme was introduced on 1 January 2011. The scheme provides eligible working parents with government-funded pay when they take time off from work to care for a newborn or recently adopted child.

There are two payments under the scheme:

- **Parental Leave Pay** which has been providing up to 18 weeks pay at the rate of the national minimum wage to eligible primary carers (usually mothers) since 1 January 2011.
- **Dad and Partner Pay** which provides up to two weeks pay at the rate of the national minimum wage to eligible dads or partners caring for a child born or adopted from 1 January 2013.

The review is being undertaken by FaHCSIA with oversight by an independent [Steering Group](#).

FaHCSIA is holding public consultations as part of the review of the Paid Parental Leave scheme. We welcome submissions from individuals and organisations. Consultation forums will also be held with key representative groups and peak bodies. The public consultation phase **is now open and will close on 31 May 2013**.

Parents, employees, employers and interested members of the community are encouraged to contribute to the review by making a written submission or by contacting their peak body or representative group to discuss the issues they would like raised.

The Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, Minister for Disability Reform, the Hon Jenny Macklin MP, has released a [discussion paper](#) that provides information about the review and contains [review questions](#) to help guide discussion and submissions.

HIA Economics Group Discussion Paper

The HIA Economics Group has released a [Discussion Paper](#) which reviews recent developments in dwelling prices across Australia.

The paper highlights the current weaknesses in the market in the context of developments over the last decade. The Discussion Paper also finds that dwelling prices are largely in line with long term relationships to income and mortgage repayments. This indicates that prices are likely to remain largely stable for the foreseeable future.

If you have any questions please contact HIA Senior Economist, Shane Garrett on 0416 633 261.

Awards, Grants, Tenders and Funding Opportunities

NRAS Round 5 Call for Participants

The Minister for Housing and Homelessness, Mark Butler, announced a new [Round 5 Call for Applications under the National Rental Affordability Scheme \(NRAS\)](#).

All documents for Round 5, including Application Guidelines and Application Forms will be available online from the following dates:

18 April 2013 - Round 5 (Stream 1) opens for dwellings that will be substantially completed by June 2014 and available for rent by December 2014.

7 May 2013 - Round 5 (Stream 2) opens for dwellings that will be available for rent 2015-16

More information will be available on the NRAS website (www.fahcsia.gov.au/nras) when Round 5 (Stream 1) opens on **18 April 2013**.

New Funding Available for Community Groups

Rail freight company Aurizon has announced its latest round of cash grants aimed at supporting grassroots projects across Australia.

The Community Giving Fund, established in 2010, is open to eligible charitable organisations and offers funding of up to \$20,000 for community-based projects.

The successful recipient must fall under one of the company's three key objective areas: Health and Wellbeing, Community Safety and Education.

Having already presented grants to more than 80 charities across the country in its previous three rounds, Aurizon says it wants to encourage more groups to apply for the funding.

Aurizon works in conjunction with the Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) Australia to provide two grant rounds a year.

Applications are [open online](#) and **close on April 26** or visit the website [here](#)

FARE - Promoting Good Practice Grants

The Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education (FARE) invites community sector organisations to apply for grants of up to \$20,000 to develop solutions to alcohol-related harms.

The funds are being provided to develop resources, skills and knowledge to address alcohol issues at a local level. FARE are looking for proposals that promote good practice, share knowledge, and which can be adopted by other Alcohol Sector organisations.

Proposals should focus on either public education, community awareness raising, professional development, community engagement or vocational education.

Applicants are invited to submit a brief online Expression of Interest (EOI) seeking funding for projects that meet all of the following criteria: address a current or emerging need or gap in the Alcohol Sector; result in the development of new project material, products or systems that can be used by other Alcohol Sector agencies to replicate/roll out the model e.g. manuals of practice, training packages, and online material; and focus on at least one of FARE's priority groups or areas (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, young people, child and maternal health, people with comorbidity issues and/or binge drinking sub cultures).

Applications close on 15 April 2013.

For further information on the 2013 Good Practice Grants Funding Round, visit the FARE website at <http://www.fare.org.au/community/grants-program/2013-small-grants-funding-round/> and download the Fact Sheet at <http://www.fare.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/2013-Small-Grants-Funding-Round-Factsheet1.pdf>

To apply for the 2013 Good Practice Grants Funding Round, please complete the Application Form at: <http://www.fare.org.au/expression-of-interest-eoi-form/>

For further information please contact the Senior Projects Officer, Rosemary White via email rosemary.white@fare.org.au or by phone on 02 6122 8600.

2013 Australia Award for Urban Design

This is your opportunity to highlight leading examples of urban design in Australia.

The [Australia Award for Urban Design](#) is the premier award for excellence and innovation in all elements of urban design in Australia.

Individuals, groups and organisations in the planning, development and design industries recently involved with Australian urban design initiatives, projects or developments that deserve national recognition.

The Award intent and scope is broad and invites entries for design initiatives, projects, built developments, and publications that will make a significant difference to the places, spaces, buildings and infrastructure of our cities.

The Australia Award for Urban Design is hosted by the Planning Institute of Australia with support from the Australian Institute of Architects, Property Council of Australia, Green Building Council of Australia, Consult Australia, The Australian Urban Design Forum and the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects. Think Brick Australia are delighted to again be the major sponsor of the Awards.

[Download the 2013 Nomination Kit](#)

- Final date for submissions: **4pm Monday 13 May 2013**
- Judging: May/early June 2013
- Awards Gala Dinner: National Portrait Gallery of Australia, Canberra, 25 June 2013

For further information please contact

Robyn Vincin, NSW Executive Officer

E: nswmanager@planning.org.au T: 02 8904 1011

Volunteer Grants 2013

The Volunteer Grants 2013 call for applications period is now open and will close on **24 April 2013** at 5pm AEST.

Volunteer Grants 2013 recognises the valuable work of Australia's volunteers. This initiative forms part of the Australian Government's ongoing commitment to organisations whose volunteers assist disadvantaged communities and encourage inclusion of vulnerable people in community life. Funding is available to eligible not-for-profit community organisations to help their volunteers and encourage volunteering.

Volunteer Grants 2013 funding is available to purchase small equipment items to assist volunteers, and contribute towards reimbursement of fuel costs, transport costs incurred by volunteers with disability who are unable to drive, training courses and background screening checks for volunteers. See [Volunteer Grants 2013](#) for more details.

National Disability Conference Initiative 2013-14

Funding is provided to assist people with disability to attend disability conferences with a national focus held in Australia.

Eligible organisations may apply for funding of up to \$12,000 for disability conferences with a national focus planned for 2013-14 to:

- Assist people with disability (or a family member or carer(s) attending to provide support) with the costs of attending conferences, e.g. conference fees, accommodation, travel; and/or
- Facilitate access to such conferences for people with disability (including a family member or carer(s) attending to provide support). For example by funding Auslan interpreters, live captioning services, hearing loops and/or note takers for people who are deaf or hearing impaired and/or other aids or appliances.

Eligible organisations may apply for up to \$12,000 from 16/03/2013 to **26/04/2013**

Email disability@fahcsia.gov.au

For more information about the Initiative please refer to the following information:

Application Guidelines:

- [Part A Program Guidelines](#)
- [Part B Information for Applicants](#)
- [Part C Application Information for the National Disability Conference Initiative 2013-14](#)

[Application Form for National Disability Conference Initiative](#)  [PDF \[861KB\]](#)

Queries or questions regarding the National Disability Conference Initiative should be directed to disability@fahcsia.gov.au

Answers to questions that were asked during the application period are provided on the [Questions and Answers page](#).

Office of Multicultural Interests Community Grants Program

The Office of Multicultural Interests' (OMI) vision is an inclusive and cohesive society drawing on the cultural and linguistic diversity of its people to enhance the social, cultural and economic development of the State.

The Community Grants Program (CGP) objectives support the OMI Strategic Plan by encouraging participation, equity and promotion of all Western Australians in projects and events that remove barriers and enhance cross-cultural engagement.

[Download application forms and guidelines \(PDF format\)](#)

KEY DATES for 2013

CGP Grant Writing Workshop, 5.30 – 8.00pm Tuesday 18 June 2013
RSVPs essential to the Grants Officer by 5.00pm Wednesday 12 June 2013

CGP July 2013 round closes 4:00pm, 15 July 2013

CGP Grant Writing Workshop, 5.30 – 8.00pm Tuesday 24 September 2013
RSVPs essential to the Grants Officer by 5.00pm Wednesday 18 September 2013

CGP October 2013 round closes 4:00pm, 21 October 2013

For more information about the CGP Grant Writing Workshop or assistance with your application contact the Grants Officer at OMI on (08) 6552 1463 or by email on grants@omi.wa.gov.au.

National Drug and Alcohol Awards 2013

Call for Nominations for National Drug and Alcohol Awards

Nominations have opened for the 2013 National Drug and Alcohol Awards (NDAA) which will be presented at Parliament House in Canberra on Thursday night, 20 June 2013.

The NDAA's are a highlight of the annual Drug Action Week and encourage, recognise, and celebrate achievements of the many people and organisations that do exceptional work to reduce the harm and impact of alcohol and other drugs in Australia. The 2013 Awards are being hosted by the Alcohol and other Drugs Council of Australia (ADCA) and are open to all people and organisations working across the health and wellbeing sectors.

The NDAA website has been re-designed with the aim of making it easier to navigate, and more user friendly with regard to nominating individuals, organisations, or programs for one or more of the nine Award Categories for 2013. A [How to Nominate](#) page summarises the nomination process, and is supported by specific information/ criteria which can be easily accessed by clicking on the relevant Category (at left of screen).

Please note that nominations for all Award following Categories are scheduled to close on **Tuesday, 30 April 2013**.

For more information on the Awards, please contact Mr Flanagan – Phone: 02 6215 9802 (w), 0400 860 058 (m); Email brian.flanagan@adca.org.au or visit <http://www.drugawards.org.au/>

Housing Industry Association (HIA) Training Scholarship

[APPLY NOW](#) for an HIA training scholarship.

The building industry is in demand for skilled tradespeople. HIA is committed to finding and supporting the needs of current and future apprentices to help develop their skills for a brighter future. HIA and its valued partners will award full and partial training scholarships across Australia to help offset the cost of HIA training fees for Nationally Recognised Training (NRT) courses ranging up to \$7,200.

Each state or territory provides courses covering specific requirements in regards to qualifications needed to gain a required licence. For more information on the courses available in your state or territory [click here](#). (Please note your course preference on the nomination form). You can apply for a scholarship by:

- submitting an [online scholarship application form](#)
- [downloading](#) a scholarship application form and faxing it to **08 8340 5992**
- contacting your nearest HIA office on **1300 650 620**

Applicants must read and agree to the [terms and conditions](#), in order to submit an application and accept an HIA training scholarship. If your application is unsuccessful, you may still re-apply for future HIA training scholarships. HIA Training Scholarships are awarded twice a year. **Closing dates are 30 April and 31 October.**

Planning Institute of Australia Award for Planning Excellence

The Awards for Planning Excellence Program recognises innovation, leadership and excellence in the planning profession and stimulates the public awareness of excellent projects and emphasises the importance of good planning in the community.

PIA (WA) invites you to register your intent to nominate in the 2013 Awards for Excellence.

INTENT TO NOMINATE CLOSES 29TH April 2013.

The Awards include: *Planner of the Year; Outstanding Achievement by a Young Planner; From Plan to Place; The Hard Won Victory; Outstanding Student Project; Best Planning Ideas; Improving Planning Processes and Practices; Public Engagement and Community Planning; Promotion of Planning; Great Place; Cutting Edge Research and Teaching; Planning Champion; Hall of Fame*

The Nomination Kit will be made available in May at the Awards Launch and Nomination Event. More details to be provided shortly.

Please Note: Full award submission entries are not required at this stage; all we want is the completion of the Intent to Enter form.

[You can complete the Enter to Nominate Form here](#)

KEY DATES

Awards Launch – May 2013
Award Nominations Close – July 2013
Pecha Kucha Presentation – August 2013
Awards Gala Dinner – 8th November 2013

For more information please contact the PIA (WA) Division Office on 9382 2100 or email: adminwa@planning.org.au

Award Convenor 2013 – Daniel Arndt (MPIA)

Research, Resources, Reports and Publications

Homelessness Clearing House

www.homelessnessclearinghouse.govspace.au

Australian Homelessness Clearinghouse has posted new material.

[Going Home Staying Home. 2013 \(Aust\)](#)

[Behaving Badly or Brain Injury?](#)

[Under 1 Roof: Learning, Training and Development Survey](#)

[Women rough sleepers who are the victims of domestic violence: Final report. 2012 \(UK\)](#)

[What effect does housing assistance have on social inclusion for people with disabilities? 2013 \(Aust\)](#)

[Innovating alongside Designers. 2013 \(Aust\)](#)

DesignBuildSource:

www.designbuildsource.com.au

[Building a harmonised planning act](#)

[Design for an Aging Population](#)

[Reconnecting young people to break the cycle of homelessness](#)

Property Observer

www.propertyobserver.com.au/

[First- home buyers grant schemes simply don't work](#) 12 March 2013

[Federal government to review NRAS scheme over incentives trading](#) 12 March 2013

[Perth's housing market is reacting to pent-up demand](#) 14 March 2013

[Perth's median house hits a new high](#) 3 April 2013

[Land tax would encourage developers to turn over land quicker but with unintended consequences](#) 7 March 2013

[Only a tenuous link between RBA rate cuts and house prices](#) 25 Feb 2013

[Lend Lease signs deal for \\$1 billion Perth riverside project to feature 600 apartments](#) 6 February 2013

Australian Policy Online

www.apo.org.au

[Urban planning for city leaders](#) Pablo Vaggione et al. [United Nations Human Settlements Programme \(UN-Habitat\)](#) Predicted human population growth over the next 50 years will have immense consequences for all cities, in particular intermediate cities with populations of up to two million people.

[Protected tenancies: history and proposals for reform](#) Edwina Schneller, NSW Parliamentary Library, 13 March 2013

[Implications of population growth on infrastructure and resources in regional cities](#)

Essential Economics

30 October 2012 | This report presents an assessment of future infrastructure and resource requirements and associated costs for Victoria's 10 largest regional centres over the period 2011 to 2031.

[Urbanization and \(in\)formalization](#) Ejaz Ghani, Ravi Kanbur | [The World Bank](#)

01 February 2013 | Two of the great stylized predictions of development theory, and two of the great expectations of policy makers as indicators of progress in development, are inexorable urbanisation and inexorable formalisation.

Articles of Interest

A report from the **United States Interagency Council on Homelessness** was issued in February 2013

[Framework to End Youth Homelessness: A Resource Text for Dialogue and Action](#) .

Housing Industry Association Economics Group [Residential Building Approvals – still a mixed bag](#)

[Comparing Australian & US Housing](#) – 4 February 2013, By Philip Soos, Online Opinion

BBC UK Online: [Homeless sign up for Recovery College](#)

Journeys Home is a study in four waves that aims to determine the factors that contribute to homelessness. Managed by the Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research, the study is due to finish in mid-2013.

Journeys Home: Findings from Waves 1 and 2 is available at: [Journeys Home: Longitudinal Study of Factors Affecting Housing Stability](#).

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) www.aihw.gov.au

Child protection Australia 2011-12

This report contains comprehensive information on state and territory child protection and support services, and the characteristics of Australian children within the child protection system. Key findings include: - Between 2010-11 and 2011-12, the number of children who were the subject of substantiations increased from 31,527 to 37,781 (an increase in the rate from 6.1 to 7.4 per 1,000 children). - There were 14,191 children admitted to orders during 2011-12; about two-fifths (39%) of these children had previously been admitted to an order. - The rate of children in out-of-home care at 30 June increased from 7.3 per 1,000 children in 2011 to 7.7 in 2012.

AIHW catalogue number (CWS 43). View the [media release](#) and download the [full report](#).

Productivity Commission Report on Government Services 2013

The Productivity Commission's report on Government Services 2013, is now available at www.pc.gov.au/gsp/rogs/2013
See chapter 17 for Homelessness and 16 for Housing services.

Accessible events – a guide for organisers

Disability Discrimination Commissioner, Graeme Innes, has congratulated Meetings & Events Australia on the release of an updated edition of *Accessible events – a guide for organisers*.

“Events such as conferences, festivals, annual meetings, award ceremonies, fundraisers and seminars are big business and an important part of the lives of many people,” said Commissioner Innes. “Ensuring they are accessible for people with disability - whether they are presenters, sponsors or participants is a legal requirement.”

The Guide was first developed in 2006 by Meetings Events Australia in partnership with the Australian Human Rights Commission.

“Since then new access requirements have been introduced and MEA and its members have gained experience in using the Guide, so it is timely that this updated version has been released,” said Commissioner Innes.

The Guide aims to help organisers think about access and participation when planning an event and understand what can be done to ensure the best possible access. It includes sections on the venue, promotional material, booking systems, information and the overall organisation of an event whether it is an open air festival, large conference or community consultation. The Guide is available here: www.mea.org.au under section titled 'Downloads of Interest'.
www.meetingsevents.com.au/downloads/Accessible_Events_Guide.pdf

Media contact: Neena Mairata (02) 9284 9862 or 0417 957 525

Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) www.abs.gov.au

[Methodological News, Dec qtr 2012](#)

[Reflecting a Nation: Stories from the 2011 Census, 2012–2013 \(Additional Information\)](#)

[Australian Demographic Statistics, Jun 2012](#)

[Australian Social Trends, Sep 2012](#)

[What's New in Regional Statistics, 2013?](#)

[Perspectives on Regional Australia: Population Growth and Turnover in Local Government Areas \(LGAs\), 2006-2011](#)

[Building Activity, Australia, Sep 2012](#)

[Lending Finance, Australia, Nov 2012](#)

[Selected Living Cost Indexes, Australia, Dec 2012](#)

[Production of Selected Construction Materials, Jan 2013](#)

[Australian Social Trends, Dec 2012 \(Additional Information\)](#)

[Construction Work Done, Australia, Preliminary, Dec 2012](#)

[House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities, Dec 2012](#)

[Building Approvals, Australia \(Media Release\), February 2013](#)

[Private sector houses remain weak in January \(Media Release\), January 2013](#)

[Housing Finance, Australia, Jan 2013](#)

[Lending Finance, Australia, Jan 2013](#)

[Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia, Jan 2013](#)

[Average Weekly Earnings, Australia, Nov 2012 \(Additional Information\)](#)

[Building Approvals, Australia, February 2013](#)

[Census of Population and Housing: Estimating homelessness, 2011 \(Additional Information\)](#)

[Production of Selected Construction Materials, Feb 2013](#)

[What's New in Regional Statistics, 2013 \(Additional Information\)](#)

[ABS conducting largest survey of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health](#)

[8762.0 Engineering Construction Activity, Australia, Dec 2012](#)

Homelessness Australia Update

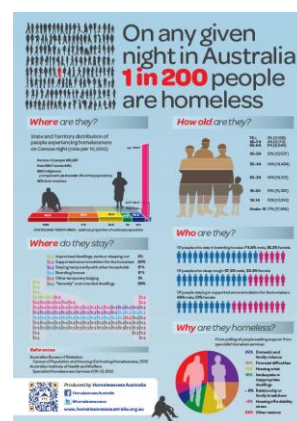
Homelessness Australia 2013 Election Platform [Towards 2020: Election Statement 2013](#)

Homelessness Australia is currently updating their fact sheets to reflect the release of the 2011 Census data. A full breakdown of statistics from the 2011 Census can be found [here](#).

Want a copy of the HA info graphic?

Email media@homelessnessaustralia.org.au to request an e-version or printed copies.

Or visit their website: <http://www.homelessnessaustralia.org.au/site/issues.php>



Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute (AHURI)

www.ahuri.edu.au

[Research and Policy Bulletin: Issue 161 What role does assertive outreach play in ending homelessness for people who are sleeping rough?](#)

[Research and Policy Bulletin: Issue 160 How would proposed reforms in the Henry Tax Review affect housing affordability for private renters and property owners?](#)

[Research and Policy Bulletin: Issue 159 What effect does housing assistance have on social inclusion for people with disabilities?](#)

[Final Report No. 204: Understanding leadership, strategy and organisational dynamics in the not-for-profit housing sector](#)

[Final Report No. 203: Bridging the divide: the experiences of low-income households excluded from the private rental sector in Australia](#)

[Final Report No. 202: Financing rental housing through institutional investment](#)

[Positioning Paper: No. 151: Cost-effective methods for evaluation of neighbourhood renewal programs](#)

[Positioning Paper: No. 150 Downsizing amongst older Australians](#)

[Positioning Paper: No. 149 The Australian private rental sector: changes and challenges](#)

[AHURI Evidence Review](#)

AHURI's *Evidence Review* is a short, weekly online article linking AHURI research findings to contemporary debates, media discussions and community concerns.

Focussing on a single theme or issue, each edition of *Evidence Review* connects the findings from different AHURI research projects to help the policy and practice communities, and the interested public, understand what evidence is available on the topic and what it means.

Evidence Review looks at AHURI's research in a new way, and encourages everyone to (re)visit and use AHURI's extensive evidence-base.

Select from the following editions:

[001: How long do households suffer mortgage stress?](#)

[002: Households at risk of housing affordability stress rises to 9.9% ...](#)

[003: Affordable housing lifts economic growth for all](#)

[004: 47% of low income households pay unaffordable rent](#)

[005: Does affordable housing help children thrive?](#)

[006: Preventing homelessness saves government money](#)

[007: 539 000 homes missing for low-income earners](#)

[008: 28% increased demand for public housing projected by 2023](#)

[009: Can bonds fund affordable and social rental housing?](#)

[010: Young people leaving state care risk homelessness](#)

[011: How best to help Australia's 'rough sleepers'?](#)

Conferences, Events and Workshops 2013

Emergency Relief Conference 2013– Save the Date

The biennial Emergency Relief Conference will take place on Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th May 2013 at The Salvation Army Fortress, Northbridge. The theme of the conference in 2013 will focus on DivERsity - diversity in the ways our services assist those who are vulnerable in times of financial crisis and hardship, the diversity of services across the State and the environments in which they operate, and most importantly the diversity among people - the volunteers, workers and those using the services. [Go to the WACOSS website](#) to read more.

Community Housing Federation Australia (CHFA) Exchange

The 3rd National Affordable Housing Exchange presentations are now available from the Exchange website [here](#).

Youth Homelessness Matters Day 10 April 2013

GO WITHOUT for the 26,000 young people who don't have a choice.

On the 10TH OF APRIL 2013, stay at a friends, sleep on the porch, crash on the couch or snooze in the office. Youth Homelessness Matters Day is raising awareness for the 26,000 young people who have no place to go by asking everyday people to give up their bed. Help break the stigma of homelessness by showing the uncertainty of homelessness and the various places you might stay if you didn't have safe, stable and affordable accommodation.

1. PLEDGE to complete the action on www.youthhomelessnessmatters.net
2. SHARE where you sleep with your friends by using the hashtag #YHMD2013 and tagging [@YHMDay](https://twitter.com/YHMDay) in photos
3. ORGANISE your friends, family and networks to take part with you and improve the lives of young people in need.

Pass on the [campaign flyer](#) to anyone who might be interested in helping out.

Safe in Oz Perth Workshop 28-28 May

SAFE in Oz will be presenting in partnership with Intework, 'An Introduction To Working With Individuals Who Have Self-Destructive Behaviour' to be held in Balcatta, Perth on the **28th & 29th May 2013**.

SAFE in Oz aims to give workshop participants an insight into the headspace of a person who participates in self-destructive behaviour/s in order to better understand their 'real' world and life experiences.

For more information or to register visit safeinoz@wideband.net.au or email www.safeinoz.com.au

Planning Institute of Australia (WA) The Housing We'd Choose Study – Perth & Peel Regions Report Launch

The Planning Institute of Australia (WA) is supporting a landmark study about what people in Perth really want when it comes to housing and what drives their decision making when choosing a place to live.

The Departments of Housing and Department of Planning have commissioned an independent study of housing preferences to inform government policy in the roll out of its strategic responses to the growing population; the *Affordable Housing Strategy 2010 – 2020* and *Directions 2031*. This breakfast will be your first chance to hear the findings of the research and contribute to a panel discussion.

The report launch will be headed by Steven Rowley (Head of Department - Property Studies, Curtin University) and also includes: David Caddy (Managing Director, TPG Town Planning Urban Design and Heritage); Dean O'Rourke (President, HIA WA; General Manager, Dale Alcock Homes); Troy Pickard (President, WALGA; Mayor of City of Joondalup).

It will be conducted on **Friday the 31 May 2013** at the Perth Convention & Exhibition Centre. Registrations can be completed [manually](#), [online](#) or through phone on (08) 9382 2100 (Planning Institute of Australia).

Conferences

National Youth [Week](#) 5-14 April

12th National Rural Health [Conference](#) (Adelaide) 7-10 April [Call for Abstracts](#)

National Youth Homelessness Matters [Day](#) 10 April

PHAA National Social Inclusion & Complex Needs [Conference](#) (Canberra) 15-16 April

Third Sector [Expo](#) (Melbourne) 15–16 April

Tonkin's Indigenous Economic Development & Employment [Conference](#) (Sydney) 29 April – 1 May

Council to Homeless Persons (CHP) [Conference](#) 2013: A vision for ending homelessness (Melbourne) 2-3 May

Meeting & Events Australia 26th National [Conference](#) (Darwin) 4-7 May

WA Family Pathways Network [Conference](#) (Perth) 8 May

7th Australian Women's [Conference](#) *Gender Matters: Determining Women's Health* (Sydney) 7-10 May

PowerHousing Australia [Conference](#) (Melbourne) 7-10 May

3rd International [Symposium](#) on Motivational Interviewing (Melbourne) 13-14 May

AHURI National Urban Policy [Conference](#) (Sydney) 16-17 May

WACOSS Emergency Relief [Conference](#) (Perth) 28-29 May

International Homelessness Research [Conference](#): Advancing the Policy and Practice of Crisis Response Systems, (Philadelphia, USA) 3-4 June

Australasian Housing Institute (AHI) [Master Class Series People and Places](#) (Sydney) 5-6 June

Queensland Shelter Housing in the 21st Century [Conference](#) (Brisbane) 12-13 June

Australian Health Promotion Association (APHA) 21st National [Conference](#) (Sydney) 17-19 June

4th Annual Affordable Housing Projects [Conference](#) (Kuala Lumpur Hilton, Malaysia) 17–19 June

The Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH) Housing 2013 [Conference & Exhibition](#) (Manchester, UK) 25-27 June

5th International Community, Work & Family [Conference](#) *Changes & Challenges in a Globalizing World* (Sydney) 17-19 July

Annual National Suicide Prevention [Conference](#) *Collective Impact: Partners in Prevention* (Melbourne) 24th–26th July

The Property [Congress](#) (Sydney) 26-28 August

8th National Housing [Conference](#) (Adelaide) 30 October – 1 November

4th WA Transcultural Mental Health & 2nd Australasian Refugee Health [Conference](#) 2013 (Perth) 31 October – 1 November

World Town Planning [Day](#) (International) 8 November

11th Australasian Injury Prevention & Safety Promotion [Conference](#) (Fremantle, WA) 11–13 November

LSAC and LSIC Research [Conference](#) *Growing Up in Australia and Footprints in Time* (Melbourne) 13-14 November

Media Releases

[Housing Data Shows Urgent Need for more Affordable Rental Housing](#) Shelter NSW Media Release, 13 March 2013

[Migrants hard-hit by affordable housing shortage](#) SBS Podcast, Michael Kenny, 5 March 2013

[Perth house price hits \\$500k](#) The West Australian Newspapers, Kate Emery & Andrew Tillett, March 18, 2013

[Western Australian Seniors in 'Housing Crisis'](#) Herald Sun, Claire Bickers, March 18 2013

[Perth's quality of housing 'third worst'](#) WA Today, Robyn Preston, 5 March 2013

WA Government Media Releases

[Housing development for elderly Pilbara Aboriginals](#)

[Major project milestone hit as Riverside flows](#)

[Kalamunda aged care facility on WAPC agenda](#)

[Bassendean men with disability move home](#)

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Labor Party WA: <http://www.wa.alp.org.au/news/rss>

National Party WA: <http://www.nationalswa.com/>

Liberal Party Australia: <http://www.liberal.org.au/Latest-News.aspx>

Greens Party WA: <http://greens.org.au/>

Australian Government <http://australia.gov.au/>

[Report released on new perspectives and possibilities for homeless men | Social Inclusion](#)

[Strengthening Affordable Housing in Western Sydney](#)

Useful links

[National Shelter](#)

[Federation of Housing Collectives WA](#)

[Homelessness Australia](#)

[Homelessness Clearing House](#)

[Australian Institute of Urban Studies WA](#)

[Australian Institute of Health & Welfare](#)

[Community Housing Federation Australia](#)

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[Community Housing Coalition WA \(CHCWA\)](#)

[Tenants Advice Line \(Scales\)](#)

[Australian Policy Online](#)

[Make My City Work Campaign](#)

[COAG Housing & Homelessness](#)

[Australasian Housing Institute](#)

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[Property Council of Australia](#)

[Centre for Housing, Urban & Regional Planning](#)

Shelter WA Newsletters

Shelter WA publishes a monthly newsletter and welcomes your input. We accept articles, reports, new housing related and support services updates and information; and are happy to promote events, training etc.

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