Family Group Homes run by St John's Homes for Boys and Girls, Victoria

1950s - 2000s

Details

From the mid 1950s St John's Homes for Boys and Girls, and later Anglicare Victoria, ran a number of family group homes across Melbourne. In around 1955, St John's opened its first four family group homes, or cottage homes, on the main St John's site in Canterbury. Initially St John's housed only boys, however the move away from the institutionalised system to family group homes allowed girls to also be accommodated, leading to the Home changing its name in 1958 to St John's Homes for Boys and Girls. Over the following decades St John's Homes opened many family group homes, hostels, and residential units across Melbourne's outer suburbs. The exact opening and closing dates of many of these homes are not yet known.

Gallery



The new Family Care group home situated at Pascoe Vale

Description: This is a photograph showing a new Family Group Home opened by St John's Homes for Boys and Girls at 20 Longview Street, Pascoe Vale. It shows three people in front of a brick house with tile roof and a long curved driveway. This image was published in the Church Scene magazine of the Anglican Church (Vol 2, No 78) dated June 5 1980 alongside the following caption: "The new Family Care Group Home situated in Pascoe Vale. Just as any other suburban home, it provides the opportunity for a family to live happily together." The article that accompanies this article also includes a photograph of and short interview with the house parents who would be living at this Home.



The Doncaster Family Unit ... our second cottage for boys & girls

Description: This is an excerpt from the Annual Report of St John's Homes for Boys and Girls from 1960. It shows an architect's sketch and floor plan for a "cottage" in Doncaster

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