

# Industrial School for Boys

20 November 1922 – 1942

## Details

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The Industrial School for Boys at Indooroopilly was opened in 1922. The facility was run by the Salvation Army and catered for State orphans, abandoned and neglected boys. It moved to Washpool and was renamed the Boys Home, Washpool in 1942.

The Industrial School for Boys, situated on Moggill Road, Indooroopilly (now called Chapel Hill), was run by the Salvation Army. Mr W R Black bought 22 acres of land for £2300 which he donated to Salvation Army. He also paid for the extension and renovation of the home, along with new furnishings. Black also provided £100 a year for maintenance of the facility.

The Industrial School for Boys could accommodate up to 50 boys and nine staff. Ensign Rogan was appointed Superintendent when the Home opened in 1922. The Home was officially opened on 20 November 1922 by the Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan. Shortly after the opening 35 boys took up residence.

The home was licensed under the *State Children Act 1911* on 27 November 1922.

## Gallery

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**Alkira Salvation Army Home for Boys at Indooroopilly**

**Description:** This image of Alkira was published by ABC news on 27 March 2014 in the article Child sex abuse royal commission: Salvation Army abuse victim recalls rape and bashing. This photo is undated, the date included is an estimate.

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## More info

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### Chronology

- **Industrial School for Boys (20 November 1922 – 1942)**
  - Boys' Home, Washpool (1942 - 1945)
  - Boys' Home, Indooroopilly (1946 - 1968)
    - Cooina Salvation Army Home for Boys (1968 - September 1969)
    - Alkira, Salvation Army Home for Boys (September 1969 - 1983)

### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [The Salvation Army Australia Eastern Territory \(1921 - 2018\)](#)

## Resources

- The Salvation Army Australia Eastern Territory, [\*Submission No. 46 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care: The Salvation Army Australia Southern Territorial Headquarters \(VIC\), Appendix B, Eastern Territory Social Centres, A list of openings, closings and function\*](#), June 2003
- [\*Southport: Holiday Camp\*](#), Courier Mail, 29 December 1939
- [\*Inspection of Salvation Army Homes\*](#), Brisbane Courier, 29 October 1931
- [\*Youths who will not go on land\*](#), Recorder, 19 February 1940
- [\*A Public Benefactor\*](#), Brisbane Courier, 21 November 1922
- Cleland, Sharon, [\*Caring for the Children: A history of institutional care provided by The Salvation Army for Australian children and youth \(1893-1995\)\*](#), August 2012

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records

- [Salvation Army Australia, Records of Homes in the former Eastern Territory \(c. 1891 - 1990s\)](#)
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