

# Maternity Home Brisbane

1892 – 1897

**Other Names:** • Salvation Army Maternity Home

## Details

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The Maternity Home Brisbane was run by the Salvation Army. The home provided care and accommodation for single pregnant girls and young mothers and their babies. It opened in 1892 at Upper Edward Street, Brisbane. In 1895 a gas leak caused an explosion at the home, injuring a staff member, and blowing out the door and destroying the contents of a room. In 1896 the home moved to a newly leased property at the corner of Gregory Terrace and Brookes Street, Bowen Hills. This home was significantly larger than the Edward Street property, and allowed for an expansion of the home's operations. The new building had capacity for up to 25 mothers, as well as a six-room cottage behind the home which was intended to act as a separate home for up to 20 children. In 1897 the Home moved again to Breakfast Creek, and became known as the Salvation Army Maternity Home Breakfast Creek.

## More info

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### Chronology

- **Maternity Home Brisbane (1892 – 1897)**
  - Salvation Army Maternity Home Breakfast Creek (1897 - 1924)
    - Boothville Mothers' Hospital (24 May 1924 - 1994)

### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [The Salvation Army, Australian Territory \(1880 - 1921\)](#)

### 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
- [Institutions](#), Forced Adoptions History Project, 2014

## 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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