Klemzig Family Home

1973 – 1980
Other Names:
- Klemzig Home

Details

Klemzig Family Home was opened by the government at Klemzig in 1973. It provided emergency and short-term care for State children. From 1975 the Klemzig Family Home operated as a shelter for Aboriginal women and children from the Far North and West visiting Adelaide for medical treatment. Klemzig Family Home closed in 1980.

Klemzig Family Home at 29 Second Avenue, Klemzig, was purchased by the Department for Community Welfare during the 1971-1972 financial year and opened in 1973. The Department aimed to establish a number of Family Homes in the metropolitan area.

'Family homes' generally accommodated eight children or less in a family style setting. They provided emergency and short-term care for children while a family crisis was being assessed or while other placement options were being determined. The family home parents were not paid a salary by the Department but were provided with rent-free accommodation at the home and received a subsidy for each child in residence.

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Gallery

29 Second Avenue, Klemzig

Description: This is a copy of a photograph of the former site of the Klemzig Family Home (1973-1980), published on a real estate website when the property was on the market in 2013.

More info

Related Entries

Run by
- [Department for Community Welfare, South Australian Government (1972 - 1990)](link)
  Date: 1973 - 1980

Related Organisations

- [Aboriginal Women's Home, North Adelaide (1926 - c. 1975)](#)
  Klemzig Family Home took over the function previously provided by the Aboriginal Women's Home, North Adelaide
  Date: 1975 -

Resources

- O'Neill, Cate, *More photographs unearthed*, Find & Connect web resource blog, 19 January 2016

Records

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

Records

- [Records of the Social Welfare Department and predecessors (1849 - c. 1987)](#)

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