

# Port Lincoln Family Home

1973 – 1980

## Details

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Port Lincoln Family Home was opened by the government at Port Lincoln in 1973. It provided emergency and short-term care for children while a family crisis was being assessed or while other placement options were being determined. Family Homes accommodated up to eight children. The Port Lincoln Family Home closed in 1980.

Port Lincoln Family Home at 52 London Street, Port Lincoln, was purchased by the Department of Social Welfare and Aboriginal Affairs during the 1971-1972 financial year. It opened in 1973.

'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 Department provided the home to the Family Home parents rent-free and paid them a subsidy for each child in care. The children attended local schools and lived as close to a 'normal family life' as possible.

The Port Lincoln Family Home closed in 1980.

## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Department for Community Welfare, South Australian Government \(1972 - 1990\)](#)  
Date: 1973 - 1980

#### Related Glossary Terms

- [Family Home \(1960s - current\)](#)

## Records

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### Records held by other organisations

- [Child Welfare Records of the Social Welfare Department and predecessors, South Australia \(1862 - 2000\)](#)
- [Government Child and Social Welfare Client Files, State Records of South Australia \(1900 - 2014\)](#)