

# Oodnadatta Hostel

1971 – c.1986

**Other Names:** • Kanyini Hostel

## Details

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The Oodnadatta Hostel, also known as the Kanyini Hostel, opened in Oodnadatta in 1970. It had capacity for up to 24 primary-school aged children. It was funded by the Commonwealth Government via Aboriginal Hostels Limited, and run by the Save the Children Fund in consultation with the Department of Aboriginal Affairs. The former superintendent of the United Aborigines Mission (UAM) Oodnadatta Children's Home became the superintendent of the new hostel. The majority of children in the Hostel were transferred from the UAM Children's Home at Oodnadatta. In 1985 Aboriginal Hostels Limited took over management of the Hostel from the Save the Children Fund. The Hostel closed around 1986.

## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Save the Children Fund, Australia \(1922 - current\)](#)
- [Aboriginal Hostels Limited \(1973 - current\)](#)

Aboriginal Hostels Limited provided funding for the operation of the Oodnadatta Hostel, and ran it for its last year of operation from 1985.

#### Related Organisations

- [Oodnadatta Children's Home \(1924 - 1974\)](#)

The superintendent and most of the children from the Oodnadatta Children's Home moved to the Oodnadatta Hostel when it opened.

#### Related Concepts

- [Stolen Generations](#)

## Records

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

### Records held by other organisations

- [Records of the Aborigines' Office and Successor Agencies \(1866 - 2003\)](#)
- [Correspondence files, single number series with 'B' \[Child Endowment\] prefix \(1904 - 1974\)](#)  
Item B872 of the Child Endowment correspondence files relates to Oodnadatta Hostel

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