# Destitute Poor Department, South Australian Government

1849 - 1910

## **Details**

The Destitute Poor Department was responsible for providing relief and care for destitute persons, including children, throughout South Australia, under the direction of the Destitute Board. As a result of the passing of the Destitute Persons Act Amendment Act in 1886 responsibility for state children was passed from the Destitute Poor Department to the new State Children's Department. In 1910, the Destitute Poor Department changed its name to the Destitute Persons' Department, with responsibility for destitute adults only.

### More info

### Chronology

- Destitute Poor Department, South Australian Government (1849 1910)
  - Destitute Persons' Department, South Australian Government (1910 1927)
  - State Children's Department, South Australian Government (1886 1927)

#### Related Entries

#### **Related Organisations**

• Destitute Board, South Australian Government (1849 - 1927)

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