

# Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project

1983 –

**Other Names:**

- Rockingham Child and Youth Care
- Chesterfield House
- RYEAP

**URL:** <https://www.anglicarewa.org.au/youth/housing-support-accommodation/y-shac.aspx>

## Details

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Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project was established in 1983 and over the years has provided emergency accommodation and other support services for six to ten young people aged 13-20 years. Chesterfield House was established and run as a community initiative, supported by the Shire of Rockingham and the departments responsible for child welfare. Since 1997, it has been administered by Anglicare. In 2014, Chesterfield House continued as part of Anglicare's Y-Shac emergency accommodation program.

Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project was established in 1983, funded through the Youth Supported Accommodation Program, which was a sub-program of the Commonwealth/State funded Supported Accommodation Assistance Program. At that time, it was described as a youth shelter, providing accommodation, welfare support and counselling services to up to 10 young people aged 13-18 years who were in crisis, with the length of stay dependent on individual need. In 1989, Chesterfield was a 24-hour emergency accommodation service for 14-19 year olds. By 2001, it seems that young people aged 14-20 years were being accommodated not only in the Chesterfield property, but in other 'external' accommodation in the Rockingham/Kwinana area.

Chesterfield began as a joint initiative of the department responsible for child welfare, the Shire of Rockingham, and a community group known as Youth Care Trust to address youth homelessness and crisis in the Rockingham/Kwinana area. In 1997, Anglicare took the lead role in managing Chesterfield programs and it was eventually absorbed into Anglicare's Fostering Futures program. Since 2009, the program at Chesterfield has received funding through the National Affordable Housing Agreement (NAHA).

## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Run by

- [Anglicare WA \(2003 - current\)](#)
- [Anglican Health and Welfare Services \(1974 - 2003\)](#)

Date: 1997 -

- [Department for Community Development, State of Western Australia \(1 October 1992 - 1 July 1995\)](#)  
The Department for Community Development was responsible for overseeing the programs run at Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project.  
Date: 1992 - 1995
- [Department for Community Welfare, State of Western Australia \(1972 - 1985\)](#)  
The Department for Community Welfare established and ran Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project, in partnership with the local community  
Date: 1983 - 1985
- [Department for Family and Children's Services, State of Western Australia \(1 July 1995 - 1 July 2001\)](#)  
The Department for Family and Children's Services was responsible for overseeing the programs run at Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project.  
Date: 1995 - 1997
- [Department for Community Services, State of Western Australia \(1 January 1985 - 1 October 1992\)](#)  
The Department for Community Services was responsible for overseeing the programs run at Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project.  
Date: 1985 - 1992

## Resources

- Western Australia. Department for Community Welfare, [Annual Report: Department for Community Welfare](#), 1973 - 1984

## Records

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

## Records

- [Anglicare WA, records \(1976 - current\)](#)
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