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June Home Matters

From our Leadership Team

Prevention put first

Q Shelter congratulates the Queensland State Government on [Putting Queensland Kids First](#). This is a \$500 million Plan geared towards prevention. [Q Shelter has been advocating](#) for these types of measures for a long time and we welcome the focus on prevention and early intervention. Helping children, young people, and their families get early, high-quality support to prevent exposure to adverse childhood experiences will ensure significant positive impacts, such as reduced complex homelessness, reduced crime, and reduced exposure to child protection systems. Housing assistance is in the mix.

The most important thing now is to achieve adequate system integration to ensure success. It is also vital that the plan's implementation is measured and monitored.

Homelessness review

Q Shelter is at the table with the State Government and other peak and industry bodies to give input to [the Homelessness System Review](#). We await the interim report and will be providing further advice and input to assist. This is a genuine opportunity to achieve better system design along with a greater focus on prevention and system integration.

Q Shelter prepares new policy statements

Q Shelter is developing a new policy statement inclusive of input from three policy advisory groups spanning community housing, homelessness, and the voices of people with lived expertise of homelessness and housing insecurity. Our

engagement across the Queensland State Government continues and we will be focused on presenting credible policy and investment solutions for all parties and key stakeholders to consider.

We are calling on everyone to maintain momentum and commit to implementing the [Queensland Housing Summit Report](#) recommendations, [Homes for Queenslanders](#), [Our Place](#), [Towards Ending Homelessness for Young Queenslanders](#) and [Putting Queensland Kids First](#). We need genuine momentum and to converge around the best ideas for solutions and success.

Join me for the [CEO and Leaders' Forum](#): Post-budget wrap-up and a focus on workforce

We will be hearing the Hon. Meaghan Scanlon, Tom Alves (from AHURI), Annemaree Callander (CHIA Qld) and Neil Willmet (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing Queensland). I am also very pleased to say that the Hon. Lance McCallum, Minister for Employment, Small Business and Training will be on-hand to launch HomeNow and the Workforce Connect Project. This work has involved a partnership between Q Shelter and Homelessness Queensland.

Warm regards,



Fiona Cariglieri

Executive Director

**Australian
Homelessness
Conference 2024**

Adelaide Convention Centre
13 - 14 August 2024

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Australian Homelessness Conference 2024

Registrations are open for [this year's Australian Homelessness Conference, 13-14 August 2024](#), at the Adelaide Conference Centre. Discounted registration options are available for groups and for not-for-profit organisations. Mission Australia have again provided a number of sponsored delegate places for people who are engaged in contributing lived experience perspectives within the homelessness sector. Details are on the conference website.

The [draft program is also now available on the conference website](#), and includes Q Shelter's own Dr Fiona Oates, and many others from the sector in Queensland.

Exciting opportunities await

We're thrilled to announce the launch of our new [Opportunities page as part of the HomeNow campaign](#). HomeNow is dedicated to spotlighting career and educational pathways within our sector. With a surge of interest in joining the housing and homelessness sector, we invite you to explore the opportunities available. The HomeNow Opportunities page provides students, job hunters, and the career curious a place to explore current openings for paid employment, work placements and volunteer work.

Spread the word to anyone keen on embarking on this rewarding journey alongside us, or [add your organisation's current offerings](#) to be featured on the page.



[Find career opportunities in your region](#)

Empowering wellness initiatives

The Workforce Connect project team have been hard at work implementing a comprehensive Wellbeing Framework across the sector. Designed to enhance workplace attraction and retention, this initiative stems from extensive consultations held statewide. We're excited to announce that these essential documents will be

going live soon! Stay tuned for our up-coming launch event. Together, let's nurture a culture of wellness and fulfilment within our community.

Thriving at career expos

The team has been buzzing with activity this month.

As part of their ongoing sector promotion, they have been on the road, making stops at various career expos across Queensland. From Rockhampton to Gladstone, Brisbane to the Gold Coast, and visits to universities and TAFEs, they have been spreading the word far and wide. In May alone, they engaged with an impressive 700 job seekers and students. It is truly inspiring to witness the growing interest in our sector.



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Wed 19 June - CEO & Senior Leaders' Forum and Lunch 1pm - 4pm

- **The Hon. Meaghan Scanlon, MP**, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Planning, and Minister for Public Works.
- **Annemaree Callander**, Executive Officer CHIA QLD, update on Community Housing Futures
- **Neil Willmott**, CEO, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing Queensland (ATSIHQ)
- **Tom Alves**, Head of Development, AHURI. Briefing on research into housing market impacts and displacement in the lead-up to the 2032 Games
- **The Hon. Lance McCallum, MP**, Minister for Employment, Small Business and Training. Overview and launch of HomeNow campaign and Workforce Connect Report

Tue 18 June - Sector Networking 5pm - 6:30pm

Join colleagues who are working hard to achieve a healthy housing system and an end to homelessness for informal refreshments and networking, sponsored by [The Forgotten Women](#) project. This event is where we welcome Q Shelter's regional representatives, and is a genuine opportunity to mix with housing and homelessness representatives from around our state.

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We are grateful to our sponsors for this event, including our new [Gold Sponsor, Bluebird Property](#). We're excited for you to hear from them on the day, and to learn more about all our sponsors and the services they can offer. Our Silver Sponsors include [Grey Space +](#), [Mangrove Housing](#), and [Wolter Consulting Group](#).

Community Housing Futures

Community Housing Futures held their first full-day, in-person training 'Finance & Feasibility', hosted by the Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) last month. They received excellent feedback from participants.

There was a mix of participants in the room from diverse areas of the housing sector, and from across Queensland. The presenters navigated the complexities of understanding a development's feasibility, and what community housing providers should consider when financing the growth of their housing stock.

We are also looking forward to hosting the three-day Property Development Master Class for Community Housing in July.

Submissions for Parity's 'Homeless Single Men' edition

[Parity Magazine is calling for contributions to its July 2024 edition](#), with the theme "Homeless Single Men: The Forgotten Homeless?" The edition will attempt to re-focus on the understanding of and response to single men's homelessness in the

context of today's cultural, social and economic issues, and to see if the policy and service settings can be improved to meet 21st century realities with 21st century responses.

Contributions of up to 1,600 words can be sent to parity@chp.org.au. The deadline for submissions is COB Friday 12 July.

Citizen-Led Housing discussions

Starting in August, the [Housing Older Women Movement will be facilitating discussions in SE Queensland on citizen-led housing](#), as part of their [My Home Your Home Our Homes \(MYO Homes\) Project](#).

They will host Zola Rose from Common Ground New Zealand to facilitate these discussions. Not to be confused with the 'Common Ground' models here in Australia, Common Ground NZ is an organisation that aims to build the capacity of community leaders, planners, and developers to enable innovative and regenerative design in housing developments, including cohousing models.

Latest research on The Deck

Here are just a couple of the latest research titles that your colleagues are posting and reading on the Deck each week.

[*European Journal of Business, Economics and Accountancy: Innovative financing strategies for affordable build-to-rent housing in Australian cities.*](#)

[*AHURI: House price dynamics and internal migration across Australia.*](#)

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See the [full calendar of up-coming events, training and workshops on the Q Shetler website.](#)

Responding to Vicarious Trauma Cairns



Responding to Vicarious Trauma, Cairns

Cairns 6 June

There are still a few places left for the morning and afternoon Vicarious Trauma training sessions in Cairns this Thursday. Don't miss out.

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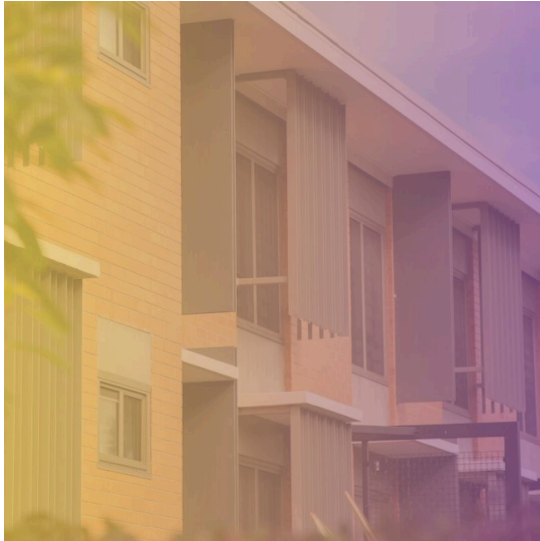
RTA networking, information and Q&A for community services

Toowoomba 20 June

Presented by the Residential Tenancies Authority and featuring Q Shelter Executive Director, Fiona Caniglia, this session presents latest information on residential tenancy rights and responsibilities.

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Working with people affected by hoarding and squalor

Online 27 June

Explore the complexities of working with hoarding and squalor. Learn tools for screening and assessment in outreach and non-outreach settings.

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Feeling the Pulse

Online 27 June 2pm

Community Housing Futures regular Feeling the Pulse online discussion and learning exchange, specially designed for community housing providers who are working on growth projects.

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Job opportunities in the sector

Don't forget that you can now see who is offering employment, volunteer or work placement opportunities on the [Home Now Opportunities page](#).

[Project Lead, SHS Practice Framework. Hybrid - Homelessness QLD](#)

[Support and Advocacy Worker, Brisbane - Micah Projects](#)

[Safe Relationships Manager, Brisbane - Brisbane Youth Service](#)



Regional Care Coordination

You can now find all the latest information, contact details and data on the regional care coordination activities and networks on The Deck.

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Closing quote

“While Australia remains in a housing and homelessness crisis, we urgently need to see a significant uplift in a re-negotiated agreement that includes new funding to increase homelessness services, as well as further investment in housing.”

*Emma Greenhalgh,
Chief Executive Officer, National Shelter, 20 May letter to the Housing and
Homelessness Ministerial Council on the new National Agreement Social Housing
and Homelessness.*

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