



## SDIWC - Public Hearing Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2024

### From our Leadership Team

January has been a busy month across the sector due to the ongoing need for housing and homelessness support through the community. Encouragingly, we have also seen the new Queensland Government take action on a number of promises since they took office.

The two most recent announcements have confirmed:

- the 20% funding uplift for Specialist Homelessness Services will be included in next year's budget and reflected in contracts out to 2027-28
- commitment to eight new Youth Foyers in Queensland, with three in the new budget and five to be funded in future allocations.

Yesterday we welcomed close to 100 people from across the sector, Q Shelter members, stakeholder groups and government representatives to our **100 Days of Impact** webinar. We outlined the engagement we have had with government and our advocacy partners over the past few months, launched our [inaugural ESG Impact Report](#) as well as [a revitalised Deck website](#) with enhanced features (including a [register of grant and tender opportunities](#)), and highlighted some of our

future training and events including June's [CEO and Senior Leaders Forum](#) on the Gold Coast.

We are watching with interest for an upcoming announcement on the federal election, and are already working with national peaks and advocacy groups in anticipation of the spotlight that a national election campaign will throw across the needs represented by our sector.

Finally, we know that the Independent Review into Homelessness Response in Queensland, along with the Government's response, will soon be made available, and we will be connecting with stakeholders and service providers across the state to unpack the contents of these.

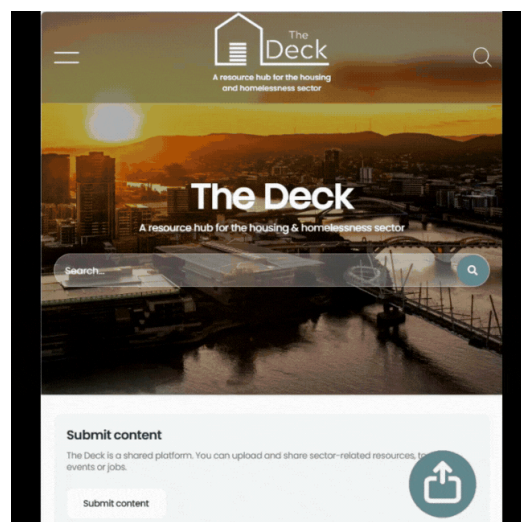
I encourage you to get in contact with me or [our Policy Team](#) if you have any questions or would like to know more about our advocacy work on behalf of the sector.

Warm regards,



*Jackson Hills*

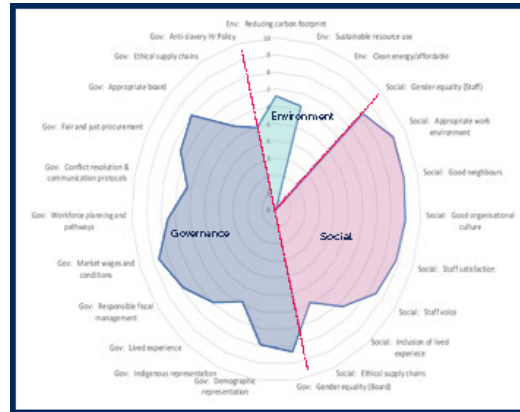
Acting Chief Executive Officer



**The Deck unveiled**

[The Deck](#) has always been a go-to hub for sector resources, such as research articles, events, job listings and regional network meetings. Now with new functionality including a [Grants Register](#), and a fresh new design, we hope you'll be a regular visitor and contributor to The Deck.

[Visit The Deck](#)



## Measuring impact

Q Shelter's inaugural Impact Report for 2023-2024 establishes a framework for ESG reporting that we hope others in the sector can use and further develop.

[Download the Report](#)



## Rocky Showcase

Some of the Q Shelter team had the privilege of visiting frontline services and centres delivering housing support in Rockhampton this week.

[See more on LinkedIn.](#)

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# CEO & Senior Leaders Forum on Gold Coast

## Tickets now available for June event

We are excited to announce that our first [CEO and Senior Leaders Forum for 2025](#) will be held on the Gold Coast on **Friday 20 June**.

With the support of the Queensland Government and other Q Shelter stakeholders including Homelessness Australia and Homelessness Queensland, we have integrated this flagship sector event into the same week as the [National Homelessness Conference](#), to be held on the Gold Coast from 17 June.

Keynote speakers and topics will be confirmed shortly, but you can [secure your tickets for the Friday lunch now](#) to help you plan your travel and accommodation well ahead of time.

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## Empowering wellbeing in your workplace

### Brisbane workshop

Join Q Shelter in [Brisbane on Thursday 6 March](#) for an informative session focused on supporting your organisation's recruitment efforts, enhancing staff wellbeing, and improving staff attraction and retention.

This will be the first of several workshops from the team behind the [WellNow resources and Wellbeing Framework](#), developed as part of the Workforce Connect project.

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## Promote your organisation on HomeNow

Get involved in the HomeNow campaign to attract more people to work in Queensland's housing and homelessness sector by listing your organisation on the [HomeNow Opportunities page](#). The Opportunities page aims to showcase the depth and diversity of organisations across our sector and encourage people to explore your organisation as a potential employer, examples of current listings are below. It's free and easy to be listed on the page and we are eager to feature as many organisations as possible to job seekers, students and volunteers – [head to the registration form on the HomeNow website for more information](#).

### Community Housing Limited

Paid Work

South-East Queensland



A leading not-for-profit organisation dedicated to making a positive impact in the housing sector. Committed to addressing housing issues and supporting vulnerable populations by offering affordable and sustainable housing solutions to individuals and families in need.

Visit Website

### Brisbane Youth Service

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SERVICE

A non-for-profit organisation supporting homeless and vulnerable young people - and their children - to secure and maintain housing, address physical and mental health issues, establish successful relationships and support networks, and access pathways to education and employment.

Visit Website



## AHURI National Housing Conference

### Abstract deadline 16 February

AHURI is now accepting proposals for the [Australian Housing Conference in Perth, 14-16 October 2025](#). This event presents a valuable opportunity to engage with the latest research, insights, and discussions shaping the housing sector.

Go to [the conference website for abstract submission details](#).

## Affordable Housing Development and Investment Summit

### 20-21 February, Sydney

CHIA's theme for this year's summit is '**Housing Everyone Well - Mission Possible**'. The summit aims to discuss solutions to the once-in-a-generation challenges facing Australian renters and homeowners.

Q Shelter and Community Housing Futures will be represented at the summit, so please drop by and say hello if you're planning to attend. Go to the [summit website](#)

[to register or to learn more.](#)

## Events and training

# Q SHELTER Events

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Learning Exchange: **Community Housing Highlight**. An opportunity for SHS teams to hear directly from Community Housing Providers.

**[4 FEB 10-11:30am - BOOK NOW »](#)**



FREE WEBINAR: **Unlocking Church and Charity-Owned Land for Community Housing**

**[12 FEB 9:00am - BOOK NOW »](#)**



In-person 2-day workshop: **Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)**. Special member pricing.

**[19 & 20 FEB - ENROL NOW »](#)**





ONLINE: **Applying Housing First Principles.** Practical training for new and experienced workers.

**[25 FEB 10am-1pm - BOOK NOW »](#)**



TOWNSVILLE: **De-escalation Training, Session 1.** Learn to manage confrontational and aggressive behaviour.

**[23 APR 9am - BOOK NOW »](#)**



## Building Resilience

Master Builders Qld have a number of online and face-to-face courses under their Better Builder program, including flood/water inundation and cyclones/storms.

[See more on their website.](#)

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## Job opportunities

Don't forget that you can find, post and share current vacancies on [The Deck](#), and on the [HomeNow website](#).

### Case workers

[UnitingCare Qld](#) has a number of vacant positions for **Case Workers** and **Youth Workers** in their Gold Coast Homelessness Services.

### Family Support Worker

[Gateway Housing](#) is seeking an experienced [Housing Worker or Family Support Worker](#) (Housing) for a part-time role in East Brisbane.

## Housing and Wellbeing Specialist

[Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service Brisbane](#) are looking to fill this full-time, heavily outreach based role.

## Women's Homelessness Caseworker

This role at [North Queensland Combined Women's Services](#) provides a range of homelessness and DFV interventions to women.

## Case workers

[Micah Projects](#) has a variety of vacant roles across Brisbane and South-East Qld.

## Support and Advocacy Worker

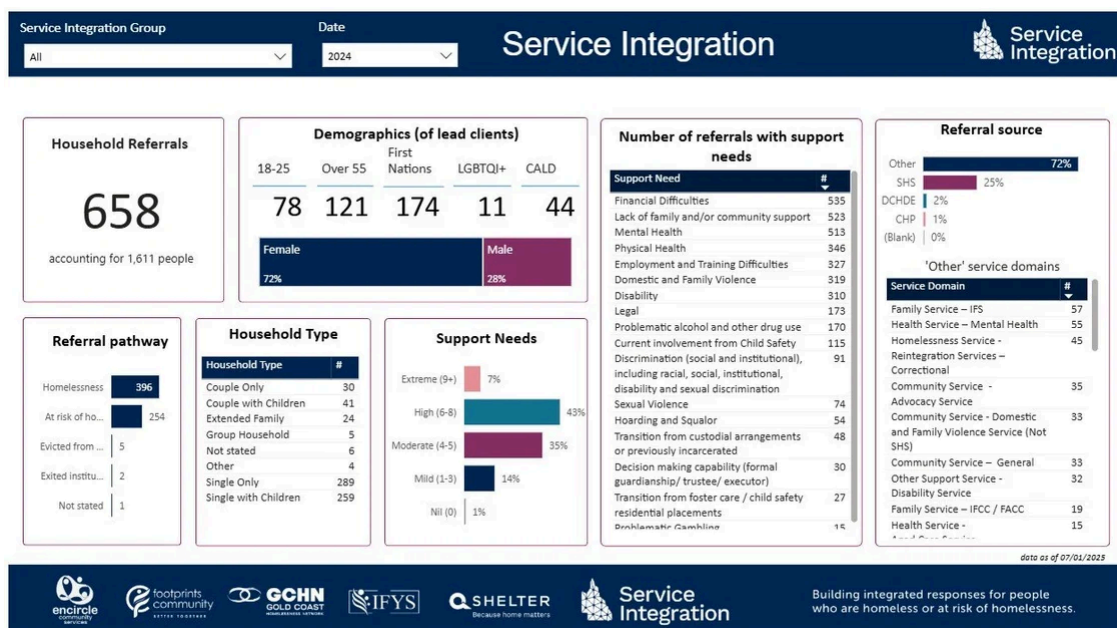
[Zig Zag](#) have a [part-time role](#) to support young people experiencing housing injustice and insecurity.

# Service Integration

## Region contact and referral information

Service Integration is currently delivered in 14 priority locations across Queensland. Its goal is to strengthen local service systems to deliver sustainable housing and comprehensive support pathways for people who are homeless, or at risk of homelessness.

You can find details of the Service Integration groups operating around Queensland, including contact details and how to access referrals [from The Deck](#).





## Closing Quote

“However you spin it, the athlete villages are a significant issue that needs to be resolved in terms of properly costing and including allocations for close to 10,000 new dwellings for four villages across Brisbane, Gold Coast and the Sunshine Coast.”

[Jackson Hills](#), Acting CEO Q Shelter.

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