

# Homelessness Australia Annual Report 2023–24



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# CEO and Chair report

## **In 2023-24, Homelessness Australia achieved significant change in policy and funding, and delivered impactful work supporting sector capacity and best practice.**

In 2024 Homelessness Australia won our long fought campaign to permanently increase federal homelessness funding, with previously temporary funding now permanently included in the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness (NASHH).

We celebrated success in advocacy for increased income support and social housing with a rise in Commonwealth Rent Assistance, and the passage of the Housing Australia Future Fund ushering in significant new investment in social housing.

Following intensive advocacy alongside the Home Time Campaign, we welcomed new resources for youth housing, addressing a major gap in the sector's response to young people without homes.

And we continued to call for stronger responses to women and children and other survivors of domestic and family violence experiencing homelessness, ensuring the links between violence and homelessness are recognised and included in the forthcoming National Housing and Homelessness Plan.

These successes reflect the willingness of our sector to be on the front foot, joining with us to advocate for the changes needed to end homelessness, alongside the important work done everyday to directly support people without homes.

The sector's energy for change was in evidence in a vibrant Homelessness Week 2023, which saw the sector put on a fantastic diversity of events, and engage in advocacy with the theme 'it's time to end homelessness'.

Homelessness Australia coordinated the week and hosted the national launch with Minister Julie Collins and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner June Oscar AO.

The year saw HA deepen our media footprint, with over 6,500 media mentions across the year. We were pleased to see journalists increasingly quoting Homelessness Australia to press Ministers on the need for stronger action to end homelessness.

Homelessness Australia also took the sector's message directly to Canberra to prosecute the need to invest in our sector, and make the changes necessary to drive down homelessness.

In 2024, we deepened our link to the Housing First Europe Hub, hosting Housing First Europe Hub trainer and head of capacity building at Homeless Link (UK) to run a three-day Housing First masterclass with Homelessness Australia's Housing First Community of Practice. Many thanks to Lord Mayors Charitable Foundation for generously supporting this program and to Council to Homeless Persons and the national trainers for providing valuable in kind support.

In 2024, we also developed a series of national conversations, initially with a focus on consulting with the sector and people with lived experience to inform the National Housing and Homelessness Plan, and subsequently with the launch of a new discussion series, 'Talking Homelessness', to explore emerging best practice and reforms to end homelessness.

We kept the sector abreast of homelessness policy news and opportunities to engage with a regular bulletin.

Many thanks to Lord Mayors Charitable Foundation for generously supporting HA's advocacy work, to the Governments of Western Australia, Victoria and NSW for contributions to the costs of our international trainer, and to Council to Homeless Persons for continuing to provide back-end support and an office space to HA.

We welcomed the strong partnership with our peak body allies, the Community Housing Industry Association, National Shelter, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Association and the Australian Council of Social Service, and with the Australian Services Union.

Heartfelt thanks to Stewart Grieve and Marc Eastmure of Johnson Winter Slattery, for the highest quality legal advice and extensive assistance this year.

And thank you the homelessness sector for the important work done everyday to support people without homes, and our members and Board for their work behind the scenes to steer the ship.



**Kate Colvin, HA CEO**



**Frances Crimmins, HA Chair**





# A huge win for homelessness funding

**HA won a hard-fought campaign to make \$70 million in homelessness sector funding permanent, significantly increasing the ongoing resourcing for homelessness.**



## We won !

Following intense campaigning, in May 2024 the Federal Government made a permanent increase to federal funding for homelessness, embedding resources that had previously been temporary into the new ongoing National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness (NASHH).

This funding win relates to \$70 million annually provided by the Federal Government since the Fair Work Commission's 2012 Equal Remuneration Order for community sector workers.



**Homelessness Australia CEO, Kate Colvin meeting with Senator David Pocock**



**OPEN LETTER TO THE HON. JULIE COLLINS, FEDERAL HOMELESSNESS MINISTER AND THE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS MINISTERIAL COUNCIL**

### Funding urgently needed to respond to Australia's homelessness emergency

Overwhelmed homelessness services across Australia are turning away 296 people per day because they don't have the resources to respond.

Instead of increasing resources to keep people off the streets, the last Federal Government revealed a \$75 million funding cliff for homelessness from 30 June 2024.

The risk and uncertainty presented by this funding cliff means homelessness services are already unable to commit to continuing staff contracts beyond June.

If the funding cut proceeds, homelessness service capacity will be slashed by more than 700 homelessness workers nationally, supercharging pressure on an already overwhelmed homelessness system.

A recent survey of 262 workers across frontline homelessness support services revealed:

- a staggering 56 per cent of respondents rated the emotional toll of having to turn people away or provide less support than needed at a maximum score of ten;
- an overwhelming majority (84%) scored 10 when asked about the impact of \$70 million worth of potential cuts to the sector proceeding.

Homelessness funding from July 2024 will be discussed in negotiations for the new five-year National Housing and Homelessness Agreement with the States and Territories at the Housing and Homelessness Ministerial Council on 23 February.

Following this meeting services need an immediate guarantee that funding will not be cut.

The Housing and Homelessness Ministers' Council should also plan to increase service capacity to meet demand from Australians facing homelessness.

Homelessness Australia led successful campaigns to save this funding in 2021 and 2023, winning extensions each time. The win in 2024 means this funding is now permanently in the base of the National Agreement, and is indexed annually.

The campaign involved significant pressure in the media, direct engagement with MPs and the Minister, a strong partnership with the Australian Services Union, and fantastic engagement from our own sector and peak body allies.



## Homeless services need \$450m to meet rising demand

Tara Cosoleto | AAP  
August 4, 2023 3:33AM

Despite the year's big win, the enormous unmet demand for services means further effort is critical to encourage Government to increase homelessness funding to meet need.

Throughout the year, HA produced a continuous stream of evidence pointing to the impact of the housing crisis on homelessness demand, and the need to resource homelessness services to respond.

From the [Overstretched and overwhelmed: the strain on homelessness services](#) report to our MYEFO statement [Housing crisis: homelessness emergency](#) to our [Pre-Budget Submission 2024](#) we made the case for an increase in homelessness investment.

These efforts will continue.

# Overstretched and overwhelmed: the strain on homelessness services



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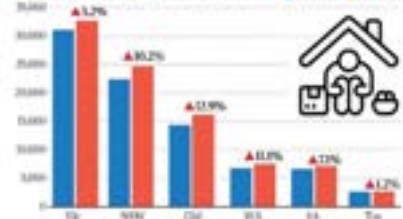
Relentless rent increases and record low vacancy rates are driving more Australians into homelessness and services are unable to keep up with demand. The latest data on use of homelessness services reveals a surge in demand for homelessness help in early 2023.

## Surge in homeless pleas for help

STEPHEN LUNN  
SENATORIAL AFFAIRS EDITOR

### RIISING TIDE

Change in homelessness, Dec 2022 to Mar 2023



Demand for homelessness services is spiking at "unheard-of" levels, with older women most affected, new data shows.

Between December and March the number of people seeking homelessness assistance jumped 7.5 per cent, climbing to almost 96,000 in March, a Homelessness Australia report says. Queensland saw the biggest increase, up by 13 per cent in those four months, followed by Western Australia (8 per cent) and NSW (8 per cent).

On present trends almost 20,000 more Australians will be looking for assistance this year, and if added to the 70,000 turned away from homelessness services each year, would leave an annual shortfall in support funding of about \$450m, the report says.

"A 7.5 per cent increase in demand in just four months is unheard of. It forces homelessness services to make extremely tough decisions about who gets assistance," Homelessness Australia CEO Kate Colvin said.

"Support services are struggling based on people's vulnerability and need, but the reality is highly vulnerable people are being turned away because services simply have too few staff and other support resources."

Women and children make up three in four Australians seeking homelessness support and 90 per cent of those turned away due to a lack of capacity, the report finds.

"The bulk of increased demand comes from women and

children, many of whom are fleeing violence. It's beyond comprehension that we have to turn people away, especially in winter," Ms Colvin said.

Women aged over 65 accounted for the steepest percentage increase in demand in the last four months, though women between the ages of 25 and 44 were the largest cohort of those using such services.

The data comes amid a debate in Canberra over new social housing policy and the passage of the Housing Australia Future Fund Bill, which includes a funding commitment for 30,000 new social and affordable homes in the first five years. A Senate inquiry into the rental crisis is also under way, with an interim report due next month.

Ms Colvin said the proposed housing legislation was "only a small part of the overall solution to homelessness". She said the government must bring "both a long- and short-term lens to the

issue, with more social and affordable housing at scale, higher income support and stronger measures to reduce family violence."

"We also need the government to be responding to the current homelessness emergency," she said. "We need the government to be investing in homelessness services and housing so that people can get the help they need when they lose their home."

A coalition of 80 organisations is to make a submission to the Senate inquiry for fair rents on rent increases, ending no-cause evictions, and improving efficiency in homes. The group is also calling on federal, state and territory governments to aim for at least 10 per cent of all dwellings to be social housing.

"The horror of the rental crisis is here to stay if governments don't act," Everybody's Home spokeswoman Mary Astor said.

"Practical measures aren't going to cut it."





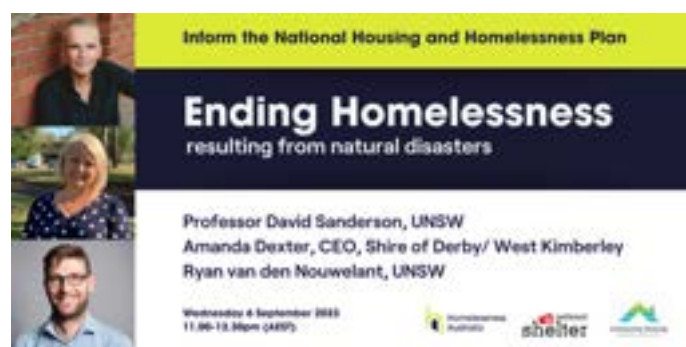
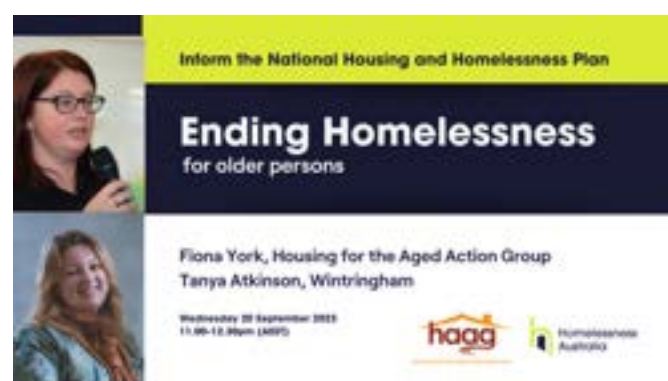
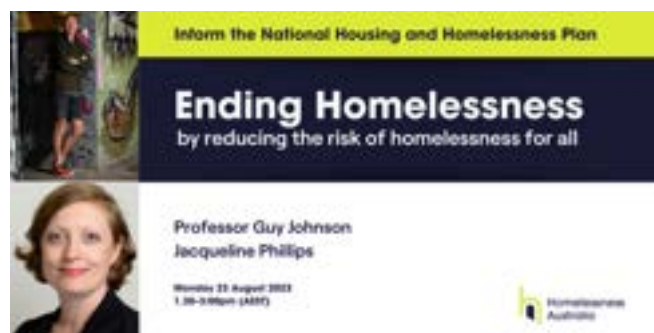
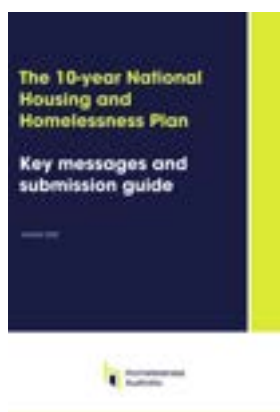
## 2 Towards a transformative National Housing and Homelessness Plan

**Advocacy to raise the ambition and potential of the Government's 10-year National Housing and Homelessness Plan was the major focus of 2023-24**

Homelessness Australia's work to influence the Government's 10-year National Housing and Homelessness Plan process involved deep engagement with the homelessness sector and people with lived experience of being without a home, policy papers to inform the process, direct engagement with Government, and media focussed on the need for an ambitious plan.

HA hosted 11 consultation forums, involving 985 people to create space for dialogue around the changes needed to end homelessness within the homelessness sector and people with lived experience. These discussions spanned the spectrum of prevention, early intervention and homelessness responses service, as well as specialist responses relevant to particular cohorts.

HA developed a policy paper to inform the early stages of Government planning for the process, a policy paper to support persuasive and consistent sector messaging, and a final submission that drew on the rich discussion in the consultations, as well as international literature on ending homelessness and our own sector's practice.



Through the year we had 29 separate discussions with the Minister, MPs and Government officials to inform the plan, and published media opinion pieces, as well as commenting publicly in reactive media on the need for an ambitious plan to drive down and better respond to homelessness.

The release of a Summary Report on the Government's Consultations highlighted some areas where the Government had taken on board messaging from the sector in relation to the need for homelessness prevention, and Housing First responses, and other areas where gaps in understanding of homelessness remained.

Following the release of the Consultation Summary, HA deepened its focus on the importance of domestic and family violence as a driver of homelessness, and the need for the National Housing and Homelessness Plan to be integrated with the National Plan to end Violence Against Women and Children.



Acceptable Level of Homelessness? | Q&A



## Bold plan to eliminate housing crisis and homelessness within a decade

Homelessness Australia has made an ambitious submission to tackle the ongoing housing crisis.

Anthony Anderson

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### More than 1,600 Australians pushed into homelessness each month as housing crisis deepens, report finds

Five major housing organisations call for increased shelter protections as homelessness services struggle with surge in demand

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Homelessness has risen sharply since the start of the year, with 1,600 people pushed into homelessness each month as demand for sheltering services rises, a report has found.

The housing crisis and rising financial stress are pushing more than 1,600 people into homelessness each month as demand for sheltering services rises, a report has found.

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### How we can fix the crisis in housing

Kate Colvin



Every day the housing crisis is driving more people into homelessness. This makes us feel we can't end this problem – but the reality is we are only an ambitious plan and a strong dose of political will away from ending it.

The federal government will soon begin crafting a 10-year national housing and homelessness plan. Other countries that have succeeded in drastically reducing homelessness began with national plans based on the principle that in a wealthy nation, every person should have a home. They exhibited honesty about the problem, and ambition with the solution.

In Finland, homelessness has been almost completely eliminated, and Scotland is making great progress. Each put prevention of homelessness and provision of housing at the core of their plan. Our housing crisis exists because the market is increasingly failing to deliver enough affordable homes.

Record low vacancy rates are driving brutal competition and supercharging inequality.

This is more than a social crisis. Economic modelling shows that meeting Australia's social and affordable housing need by 2050 will cost taxpayers \$55bn but save \$100bn by reducing crime and improving health, productivity and education. Every dollar we invest in social and affordable housing returns \$2 – a much greater return than infrastructure projects.

Fixing the housing crisis is critical to homelessness, but on its own won't be enough. One in three people becomes homeless as a result of domestic and family violence, child abuse or neglect, or other relationship issues. We can reduce abuse and violence by better supporting families to thrive, and, where it does occur, enable victims to escape violence without becoming homeless by providing the support and housing they need.

One in five people experiencing homelessness is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander. They are 10 times more likely to experience homelessness than other Australians.

Fixing this overrepresentation will take a new culture of listening and acting.

It's time for Australia to seize the day, commit to an ambition to end homelessness, and deliver access to housing, adequate incomes and the support that people need to fix the homelessness crisis.

Kate Colvin is chief executive of Homelessness Australia



## A vibrant Homelessness Week 2023

**Homelessness Week 2023 was an opportunity for sector wide action around the theme 'It's time to end homelessness' and an opportunity to focus on ending First Nations homelessness.**

# HOMELESSNESS WEEK 2023 It's time to **end** homelessness

Homelessness Australia coordinated Homelessness Week, creating a supporter pack and fresh branding to support the week's activities, and hosted the Homelessness Week launch in partnership with the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing Association (NATSIHA) and Aboriginal Housing Victoria (AHV)

The launch event focused on Ending First Nations Homelessness, with a keynote presentation from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, June Oscar AO, followed by a panel including Darren Smith, CEO AHV, Ivan Simon, CEO NATSIHA and Tina Ugle, Managing Director Noongar Mia Mia. Minister for Housing and Homelessness, The Hon. Julie Collins MP launched the week and outlined her priorities.

During Homelessness Week the sector put on a fantastic diversity of events to celebrate excellent practice and raise awareness of the need to end homelessness.

Homelessness week also enabled us to intervene in the media to advance our advocacy to end First Nations homelessness, and increase investment in homelessness services.



**June Oscar AO, Minister Julie Collins MP, Ivan Simon, Darren Smith, Kate Colvin, Tina Ugle and Josh Burns MP speaking at the launch of Homelessness Week 2023.**

# New homes for homeless young people

**Major new investment will now flow to create new housing opportunities for young people following a focused campaign in 2023-24 to fix the barriers preventing housing funding from delivering housing and support for young people without homes.**



**HomeTime delegation meeting with MPs across Parliament to discuss youth housing**

In 2022-23 Homelessness Australia played a key role in national lobbying and media as part of the HomeTime campaign to fix housing for young people.

This advocacy highlighted the impact of unmet need for housing for young people without homes, and drew attention to structural flaws in the way housing funds and tenancies are allocated that result in young people missing out on housing opportunities.

In a major win, the Federal Government dedicated the \$1 billion in the National Housing Infrastructure Fund to youth housing and women and children fleeing violence.

Further campaign effort will focus on the unmet need for support, and for continued housing investment to achieve the target of 15,000 young tenancies.

Find out more at: <https://www.hometime.org.au/>



"No pathways" for homeless teens and young adults to enter the private rental market | ABC News



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**HA has maintained a significant media profile to ensure there is pressure on Australian Governments to act to address homelessness.**

In the past year, Homelessness Australia gained 6,680 media mentions with a potential audience reach of 138 million.

Stories have focused on the worsening homelessness crisis and the need for increased homelessness funding to meet need, the needs of women and children fleeing violence into homelessness, First Nations homelessness, the urgency of social housing investment, the need for higher income support, and the need for a strong national plan to end homelessness.



## Women's safety advocate calls for increased funding in federal budget

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**abnews\_au** "When you can't afford housing, you're stuck and homeless. That's dangerous."

The CEO of Homelessness Australia Kate Colvin is calling for increased funding in the federal budget for women leaving abusive relationships.

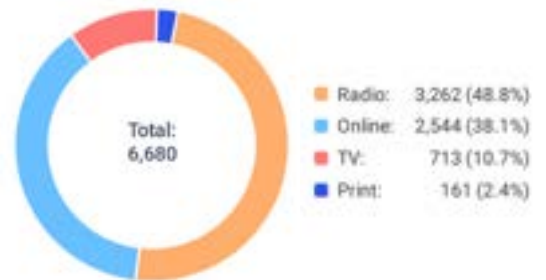
Katy Gallagher told Bridget Brennan the issue has been before the government for a long time, and promised more support is on the way in this budget.

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Each day thousands of children are born, and each day thousands of children die. Each day thousands of children are born, and each day thousands of children die.



## Harsh reality despite all the words

Domestic violence is killing women and the biggest cause of women's homelessness. The two are connected.

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The result is that women remain in violent homes or across India. In 2011, the *Twenty-first Century* *Amrita* *Amrita* in Gujarat estimated that 7000 women a year are returning to perpetrators because they lack shelter and safety. The 2011 National Safety Survey revealed that more than 20,000 women who returned to their violent partners said they were unable to go because of a lack of money or financial support.

Where women return, violence escalates: Women are also at risk of further violence while returning.

The close interaction between the township and the risk of death or serious injury for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women experiencing gestational violence and the risk of a violent act, fathers had been through too long in countless reports. The often first violence women also risk losing their children without if they cannot gain safe

These are not new figures or secret data. We, and others, have raised these problems in the media many times, and outlined the situation to various administrations and discussions with governments.

The threatening reality is that without different real action from the South way alone and the remaining calls for "more change" imposed upon the cold reality empty action plans.

In Vietnam, the communists called on the Vietnamese government to identify how many affordable business sectors could provide safety to women fleeing violence and at risk of homelessness. The government, which had promised to defend its self-reconstruction, commissioned research on housing needs. The research negatively showed that huge numbers in need (housing was required to house women only).

But the research was never publicly released. After an initial batch of three women investments, the number of women enrolled was never built, and as the past year

©2007 Victorian women and children were born into a world not so different from the one we live in today.

The 10-year National Plan to End Violence Against Women and Children recognized the critical link between safety and access to a safe home (citing research that links homelessness with higher rates of violence against women and children). But the new Action Plan simply repeated existing housing, homelessness, and healthcare and social services commitments.

The earlier 10-year National Housing and Homelessness Plan, and a new five-year National Housing and Homelessness Agreement could offer transformational change to break the link between violence and homelessness.

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By this stage, sector representatives are in a phase and more agreeable that direct or significant change, and at least less onerous economy than the previous agreement. In short, despite years of double-digit wage rises and record low vacancy rates forcing input changes, the problems remain the same.

Wages the best to the demands of women who put their voices and their pain forward in pursuit of a National Plan to End Violence that would deliver justice today.

But perhaps the core lesson is what is an old problem means that it is not unclear to change course and follow meaning.

The new National Housing and Homelessness Plan is not pre-announced. The state and the federal government remain close in negotiations for the new National Housing and Homelessness Agreement. People involved with the negotiations privately say they are sitting back, with each kind of government waiting for the other and refusing to do more.


The new National Housing and Homelessness Plan could have meaningful impacts, such as increasing multi-family construction, increasing the availability of rental and homeownership assistance, and supporting the financial stability of low-income households who can achieve stability while maintaining their homes.

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## Homelessness Australia calls on government for funding support amid national housing crisis





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**Homelessness Australia plays a critical role campaigning for reforms to drive down the number of people without homes, as well advocating for a stronger response to homelessness.**

In the lead in to the 2024 Federal Budget, HA strongly advocated to increase income support and investment in social housing. Each are enormously important to address the lack of affordability and access to housing that causes so much homelessness.

The homelessness sector got on board the campaign to raise basic payments, joining our joint letter to the Prime Minister. We were pleased to see a positive outcome in the Budget, with an increase in Commonwealth Rent Assistance to low income households.

In 2023, we worked closely with peak body allies to support the passage of the Housing Australia Future Fund (HAFF), and in September 2023, welcomed the successful passage of the HAFF legislation, and the additional commitments to social housing accompanying the passage of the Bill.



Homelessness Australia also actively supports the Everybody's Home campaign to fix Australia's housing crisis, and HA CEO Kate Colvin chairs the campaign reference group. Everybody's Home was a powerful force throughout the year, maintaining a continuous public profile for the urgent need to increase investment in social and affordable housing.



**Maiy Azize (Everybody's Home spokesperson), Margaret Quixley (Everybody's Home Campaign Manager), Thomas Johnson (Council to Homeless Persons - CHP) Kate Colvin (CEO, HA) Damien Patterson (CHP), Deborah Di Natale (CHP)**

# Strengthening Housing First practice

**In 2024, Homelessness Australia's Housing First Train the Trainer program trained 12 new Housing First Trainers and hosted a 3-day masterclass for Australia's Housing First trainers with UK Housing First expert, Jo Prestidge**



**Jo Prestidge, head of capacity building at Homeless Link (UK) training SHS leaders in Housing First**

The Housing First Train the Trainer project builds capacity in Australia's Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS) by upskilling lead practitioners to deliver Housing First Training in their networks. The project has been generously supported by the Lord Mayors Charitable Foundation and in kind support from Council to Homeless Persons and the HF Trainers Community of Practice.

In 2023, the project ran its third Train the Trainer training for 12 new trainers culminating in a 3-day face-to-face masterclass for all 24 active trainers with

Housing First Europe lead trainer, Jo Prestidge. The HF Trainers Community of Practice are now delivering Housing First training across the country and further developing Housing First materials.

While in Australia, Jo also led discussions with governments in Canberra, NSW, WA and Victoria in commissioning for Housing First and led sector workshops in the ACT, WA and Victoria to skill up sector leaders and front-line practitioners in key Housing First principles, and the importance of Housing First fidelity.



**Housing First Trainers Community of Practice at the Sydney Masterclass**





# New conversations about homelessness practice

In 2024, HA created a new conversation series 'Talking homelessness' to explore important issues in homelessness.

## Talking homelessness

Discussions exploring policy to end homelessness and practice approaches to strengthen homelessness responses

Creating a national dialogue around homelessness to explore issues and build knowledge is an important role for Homelessness Australia.

Following the success of our consultation dialogues for the national housing and homelessness plan process, HA created a new webinar series 'Talking homelessness' to create space to discuss evolving best practice and policy to end homelessness .

Webinar 1, hosted in partnership with Melbourne City Mission and Orygen, the National Centre of Excellence in Youth Mental Health explored Canada's Integrated Youth Services model with Dr Jo Henderson from Canada's Centre for Addiction and Mental Health.



**Professor Cameron Parsell and Peer Education and Support Program Graduates Christine Thirkell and Amanda Bingham**



Webinar 2, Dependence and autonomy: Putting dignity at the heart of homelessness was hosted in partnership with Council to Homeless Persons Peer Education and Support Program to explore client perspectives on the challenges of using homelessness services. The webinar examined the sacrifices in autonomy and dignity that can result from reliance on services, and what services can do to maximise people's agency.



# Financial report

## HOMELESSNESS AUSTRALIA LIMITED

### Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024 \$	2023 \$
<b>Income</b>		
Interest income	11,488	8,938
Donations	(46)	937
Other	<u>15,422</u>	<u>1,300</u>
Grant/Project Income	<u>197,944</u>	<u>1,810</u>
Total income	<u>224,808</u>	<u>12,985</u>
Less:		
<b>Expenses</b>		
Auditor's remuneration	2,500	2,500
Consultants	35,474	20,000
Annual Leave Provision	6,436	1,010
Depreciation	1,165	472
Employee Emoluments	207,612	105,109
Project Costs	116,468	1,810
Board expenses	4,329	1,683
Other	<u>43,205</u>	<u>16,813</u>
	<u>417,189</u>	<u>172,161</u>
Operating (deficit)/profit for the year	(192,381)	(159,176)
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive (deficit)/profit for the year	<u>\$192,381</u>	<u>(\$159,176)</u>

## HOMELESSNESS AUSTRALIA LIMITED

### Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Retained Earnings \$	Total Equity \$
At 30 June 2023	915,432	915,432
(Loss) for the year	<u>(192,381)</u>	<u>(192,381)</u>
At 30 June 2024	<u>\$915,432</u>	<u>\$915,432</u>
At 30 June 2024	<u>\$723,051</u>	<u>\$723,051</u>

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Homelessness Australia acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of all of the lands on which we meet and work. We pay our respects to First Nations peoples and elders past, present and future. Always was, always will be, Aboriginal land.

