

FAMILY ACCESS NETWORK

Making a Difference in Young People's Lives Since 1981

HOUSING ESTABLISHMENT FUND (HEF)

WHAT IS HEF?

HEF is one off funding which can be provided to young people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness. The principal responsibility of HEF providers is to assist this group to secure crisis accommodation, longer-term accommodation or maintain current housing in the Whitehorse, Manningham, Boroondara, Monash, Maroondah, Yarra Ranges and Knox areas.

LGBTIQA+ HEF

WHAT IS LGBTIQA+ HEF?

LGBTIQA+ HEF was established to compliment FAN's existing 'alsorts' response, which provides homelessness support services specifically for LGBTIQA+ young people. It is available to cover the cost of flexible accommodation for a young person who is in a housing crisis and are working towards securing suitable, sustainable and safe housing. LGBTIQA+ HEF may also be used for full or partial provision of the following:

- crisis accommodation
- private rental in advance
- private rental arrears
- private rental bonds

- storage costs
- removal expenses
- essential furniture if needed

WHAT IS THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA?

Young people aged 15-25 years old who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and identify as LGBTIQA+.

HOW MUCH IS AVAILABLE?

The amount available is dependent on client need and can be organised in conjunction with the HEF Co-ordinator at Family Access Network.

ARE YOU YOUNG, LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, INTERSEX OR QUEER AND EXPERIENCING AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS?

The Alsorts program is a case managed transitional support initiative for LGBTIQA+ young people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness. It provides a holistic response to the needs of clients including access to transitional accomodation, linkages to FAN's Life Skills and Volunteer Programs, outreach services, brokerage for employement a/education needs and /or counselling/family reconciliation and a social support group (EDG).

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