

Home for Good



Further information:

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The many faces of home for good

Home for Good is an initiative between The NSW Dept of Corrective Services and Samaritans (Anglican Welfare, Newcastle).



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Walking people through the process of re-integration

- Support with finding accommodation
- A case worker to help with ways of sustaining accommodation
- · Helping with obtaining ID
- On site services such as Centrelink, housing providers, health workers
- Internet access
- Assistance with clothing
- Programs for drug and alcohol, alternatives to violence and grief and loss
- Access to Emergency Relief Services and financial counselling
- · Pathways to paying off state debt
- Access to TAFE and University programs
- Recreational activities such as fishing, gym, boxing, BBQs
- Help with shopping, cooking and setting up a home
- Someone to help with contacting family
- Being a dad again How do I connect with my kids?
- Connecting with job providers
- · Community Chaplaincy Program
- Someone to talk to



Home for Good is a program that assists people who are leaving Prison to re-engage with the community or for those on Community Service Orders to gain access to service and programs. It is about making the transition back into what is a very hectic and complicated world.

We approach this transition one step at a time. From assistance with finding accommodation, clothing, ID, Centrelink and a bank account. To access to TAFE and University courses, recreational programs such as fishing, surfing, gym, boxing as well as programs that comply with Parole requirements such as the SMART Program, Men on the Edge and Seasons for Growth.

The program is built on the success that Samaritans has had with its Friendship House Program. It offers the opportunity to work with a case worker and volunteers to gain the stability and community connection to remain out of the correctional system.

How to get into Home for Good?

Referrals through Chaplains, Community Offender Services (COS), Welfare Officers, Throughcare Officers, Justice Health, Centrelink and Housing NSW.

Referral forms are available through the Home for Good office on (02)4922 1500.

To ensure pre-release connection, referrals need to be at least three months prior to release. This will ensure that the case worker can make contact at least three times before release. Referral can be made up to 12 months before release.

For those on Community Orders referrals can be made through COS, Legal Aid or the court.

It is for those who want to be 'Home for Good'!