

# **Community Housing**

ENQUIRY

### **Enquiry for Community Housing**

Shire of Donnybrook Balingup ENQCH.V.24.3



The Shire of Donnybrook Balingup (the Shire) administers tenancy arrangements and coordinates general maintenance for:

- Minninup Cottages one-bedroom cottages only
- Langley Villas one- and two-bedroom villas Both are located on the South Western Highway in Donnybrook.

Completing this form will place you on the Community Housing Waiting List. When a unit becomes available, you will be contacted and required to complete the full Application Process.

#### Eligibility

Applicants, partners and/or co-applicants must remain eligible at the time of submitting this enquiry, while on the waiting list, and before any offer of housing is made.

To be eligible for a community housing property, you must:

- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Live in Western Australia and receive your income here
- Earn no more than the current income limits
- Not own or part-own property or land
- Meet income and asset eligibility requirements
- Live independently and meet medical requirements
- Be able to prove your identity
- Be 55 years of age or above

| ENQUIRY DETAILS   |           |              |              |  |  |  |
|---|-----------|--------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Your Full Name:   |           |              |              |  |  |  |
| Current<br>Address:   | Street #: | Street Name: | Street Name: |  |  |  |
|   | Locality: | Postco       | de:          |  |  |  |
| Phone No.:  |           |              |              |  |  |  |
| Email:  |           |              |              |  |  |  |
| ALTERNATIVE CO  | ONTACT    |              |              |  |  |  |
| Family / Friend:  |           | Phone N      | o.:          |  |  |  |
| Family / Friend<br>Address:   | Street #: | Street Name: |              |  |  |  |
|   | Locality: | Postco       | de:          |  |  |  |
| Email:  |           |              |              |  |  |  |
| PROPERTY OWN  | ERSHIP    |              |              |  |  |  |
| Do you, your partner and/or co-applicant/s own, or are you in the process of, buying residential land or property? ☐ Yes ☐ No |           |              |              |  |  |  |



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| CURRENT LIVING SITUATION   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Y (yes) N (no)   |  |  |  |  |  |
| ☐ Primary Homeless (sleeping in vehicle / on the street)   |  |  |  |  |  |
| ☐ ☐ Secondary Homeless (temporary accommodation)   |  |  |  |  |  |
| □ □ Renting Privately  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ☐ Staying with family or friends   |  |  |  |  |  |
| HOUSEHOLD DETAILS  |  |  |  |  |  |
| APPLICANT:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full Name: Date of Birth:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gender: $\square$ Male $\square$ Female $\square$ Other (please advise):   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pension Type: Pension Amount:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wages / Salary: Bank Savings:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other Income <sup>1</sup> : Residency Status <sup>2</sup> :  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PARTNER: Please only complete this section if you are applying as a couple   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full Name: Date of Birth:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gender: $\square$ Male $\square$ Female $\square$ Other (please advise):   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pension Type: Pension Amount:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wages / Salary: Bank Savings:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other Income <sup>1</sup> : Residency Status:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CONSENT & DECLARATION  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I consent to the Shire of Donnybrook Balingup communicating with me/us electronically and understand that I/we can withdraw my/our consent at any time. $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No   |  |  |  |  |  |
| I/We, the applicant(s), declare that the information provided in this enquiry is true and correct.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Signature (applicant): Date:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Signature (co-applicant): Date:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| lease be aware that it is essential that the details of your enquiry are true and correct. A false declaration w<br>Esult in withdrawal of your enquiry and the loss of your place on the waiting list.<br>OFFICE USE ONLY |  |  |  |  |  |
| Date Received: Received By:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Record Reference:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ☐ Minninup Cottages ☐ Langley Villa's  |  |  |  |  |  |



#### SOCIAL HOUSING INCOME & ASSET ELIGIBILITY LIMITS

To be eligible for a community housing property, you must meet the following income and asset eligibility limits set by the Department of Communities as of Monday, 18 March 2024.

Table 2: Band A Income Eligibility Limits [1]

| Number of                         | Income Limit                 |          |             |                         | Disability Income Limit |          |             |          |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| people in                         | Single income                |          | Dual income |                         | Single income           |          | Dual income |          |
| household                         | Weekly                       | Annual   | Weekly      | Annual                  | Weekly                  | Annual   | Weekly      | Annual   |
| 1                                 | \$526                        | \$27,440 |             |                         | \$658                   | \$34,326 |             |          |
| 2                                 | \$676                        | \$35,265 | \$793       | \$41,369                | \$845                   | \$44,081 | \$992       | \$51,750 |
| 3                                 | \$791                        | \$41,264 | \$913       | \$47,629                | \$989                   | \$51,593 | \$1,142     | \$59,575 |
| 4                                 | \$911                        | \$47,524 | \$1,053     | \$54,932                | \$1,139                 | \$59,418 | \$1,317     | \$68,704 |
| North West / F                    | North West / Remote          |          |             |                         |                         |          |             |          |
| Number of people in household     | Income Limit                 |          |             |                         | Disability Income Limit |          |             |          |
|                                   | Single income                |          | Dual income |                         | Single income           |          | Dual income |          |
|                                   | Weekly                       | Annual   | Weekly      | Annual                  | Weekly                  | Annual   | Weekly      | Annual   |
| 1                                 | \$737                        | \$38,447 |             |                         | \$921                   | \$48,046 |             |          |
| 2                                 | \$947                        | \$49,402 | \$1,111     | \$57,958                | \$1,183                 | \$61,714 | \$1,388     | \$72,408 |
| 3                                 | \$1,108                      | \$57,801 | \$1,279     | \$66,722                | \$1,385                 | \$72,251 | \$1,598     | \$83,363 |
| 4                                 | \$1,276                      | \$66,565 | \$1,475     | \$76,946                | \$1,595                 | \$83,206 | \$1,843     | \$96,144 |
| Additional lim                    | Additional limits per person |          |             |                         |                         |          |             |          |
| Additional<br>household<br>member | Income Limit                 |          |             | Disability Income Limit |                         |          |             |          |
|                                   | Weekly                       |          | Annual      |                         | Weekly                  |          | Annual      |          |
|                                   | <b>\$</b> 115                |          | \$6,000     |                         | \$145                   |          | \$7,565     |          |

Table 4: Band A Asset Eligibility Limits [1]

| Household Type                             | Cash Asset Limit |  |  |
|--|------------------|--|--|
| Single                                     | \$38,400         |  |  |
| Couples                                    | \$63,800         |  |  |
| Seniors 60 years plus (singles or couples) | \$80,000         |  |  |
| People with disabilities                   | \$100,000        |  |  |

#### Social housing assessable assets [1] Definition of a cash asset:

- Deposit in a bank, credit union, building society, savings/cheque account, cash, term deposit, shares:
- Managed investments such as loans, debentures, friendly society and insurance bonds, unlisted equity and property trusts.

#### Assets excluded from assessment:

- Antique furniture.
- Stamp collection
- Life insurance policies

#### Superannuation:

Superannuation and annuities that are not accessible are not assessed, but any annual income/return/dividend received are assessed as part of the income assessment process.

- Superannuation funds for applicants under the age of 55 years: Superannuation funds that cannot be realised (e.g. superannuation roll-over fund) are not assessed as an asset.
- Superannuation funds for applicants 55 years of age and over: Where a lump sum superannuation payment is taken, it will be treated as a cash asset and any income derived will be assessed for eligibility and rent assessment purposes.

The full policy of the Income and Asset Limits can be found on the Government of Western Australia Department of Communities website. community\_housing\_income\_and\_asset\_limits\_policy.pdf (www.wa.gov.au)