Facts about <u>Homelessness</u> in CITY OF CASEY

HOMELESS ON CENSUS NIGHT 2021¹

- There were **1,852** people counted as homeless in **Casey**
- This is a **45%** increase since 2016 (**572** more people).
- Casey had 6% of all Victorians experiencing homelessness and the second highest number of people experiencing homelessness in Victoria.
- In **Casey**, on Census night, there were:
 - 251 people in homeless accommodation
 - 113 people staying with family/friends
 - 364 people in rooming houses
 - 28 people in temporary accommodation such as hotels
 - 1,104 people in severely crowded dwellings

- Of the people counted as homeless
- in **Casey** on Census night:
 - **519** were children (under 18)
- **200** were over 55
- 961 were male
- 887 were female
- 475 people were employed
- 689 were born overseas, with 324 born
- in Afghanistan
- 13 were Indigenous

PEOPLE USING HOMELESSNESS SERVICES²

3,587 people from Casey used Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS) in 2021-22. SHS services include entry points, crisis accommodation, transitional support and housing, and youth and family violence refuges.

Of those supported by SHS services across the Southern region:

- 40% experienced family violence
- 11% were young people alone
- 8% were Aboriginal
- 26% exited support to social housing
- 31% exited support to private rental

HOUSING STRESS IN CASEY

In March 2023 there was:

- 144 private rental listings affordable ³
- only **176** private rental listings affordable to households on the minimum wage⁴

There were **6,720** low income households living in rental stress (2021 Census)⁵ There are **61** registered rooming houses in **Casey** (July 2023)⁶













are needed to meet the unmet demand for

6,800

low-income housing in

Casev⁷

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