

SOUTHERN HOMELESSNESS SERVICES NETWORK

Regional Overview



HOMELESSNESS IN THE SOUTHERN REGION ¹

22,411

Households supported by Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS)
(LASN data 2021-2022)



Of those supported by SHSN member services:

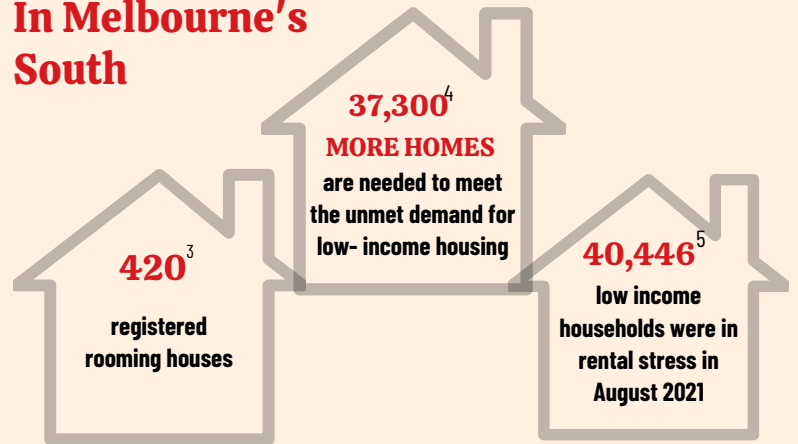
- 40%** experienced family violence
- 11%** were young people alone
- 8%** were Aboriginal
- 26%** exited support to social housing
- 31%** exited support to private rental

On Census night 2021 ² 8,548 were counted as homeless.

Of those:

- 1,335** were under 18
- 158** were sleeping rough
- 1,756** were in supported accommodation
- 578** were couch surfing
- 2,895** were in rooming houses
- 2,869** were in "severely" crowded accommodation

In Melbourne's South



ABOUT THE SHSN

The Southern Homelessness Services Network (SHSN) comprises all funded Specialist Homelessness Services in the Southern Region including services providing crisis, transitional, long term, family violence and youth support and accommodation. The SHSN seeks to work collaboratively to end homelessness in the Southern region.



SHSN MEMBER AGENCIES

- Better Health Network
- Emerge
- Ermha 365
- Fusion
- Good Shepherd
- Launch Housing
- Melbourne City Mission
- Moira
- NEAMI National
- Ngwala Willumbong
- Sacred Heart Mission
- South East Community Links
- South Port Community Housing
- The Salvation Army
- Thorne Harbour Health
- VincentCare
- WAYSS
- Whitelion
- Windermere
- Wintringham
- YWCA

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Southern Homelessness Services Network

www.shsnetwork.online

Covering the local government areas of :

**Bayside - Cardinia - Casey - Frankston - Glen Eira
Greater Dandenong - Kingston - Mornington Peninsula
Port Phillip - Stonnington**