

Older People & Housing



THE FACTS:

Housing affordability doesn't just affect young people. Our population is ageing, and many people are in housing stress. Not everyone owns their own home, and the cost of living is skyrocketing...



\$ 437 AGED PENSION*

- \$ 329 AVERAGE RENT
\$ 30 ENERGY COSTS*
\$ 70 FOOD SHOPPING

THAT LEAVES \$8 FOR EVERYTHING ELSE

44%

**INCREASE* IN
>55'S RENTING**

75%

**OF AGE PENSION
SPENT ON RENT***

PRIVATE RENTAL IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE CHOICE



Inappropriate - Properties not designed or modifiable to suit ageing needs

Insecure - Eviction can occur with as little as only 2 weeks notice

Unaffordable - 89% of older renters* pay over 30% of income on rent

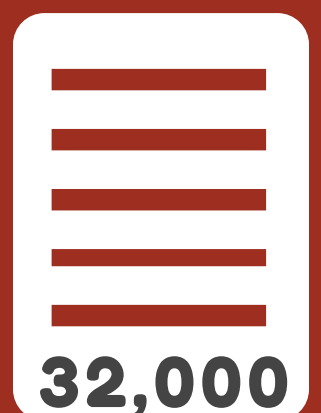
PUBLIC HOUSING IS THE APPROPRIATE CHOICE

Appropriate - Specifically designed for older people to help them to age in place

Secure - Rental agreements are ongoing and no surprise evictions

Affordable - Rent is 25% of the tenants income, always

**PUBLIC
HOUSING
WAIT LIST**



32,000

*Max Single Aged Pension. Source: www.humanservices.gov.au

*Energy costs low income households 7% of household income.

Source: Dept of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources

*From 2006-2011 Source: ABS Census Data (2011)

*1Bed Private Rental in Melbourne Metro. Source: <http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au>

*Home at Last clients in Private Rental. Source: Home at Last report 2014-2015