

Fixing older people's housing

MORE HOUSING

- **Increase public and community housing to 10% of all housing stock by 2040** with a specific allocation for 55+
- An investment stream to grow and improve the **Independent Living Unit sector 55+ housing stock**
- A **Shared Equity Scheme** for older people that recognises their unique circumstances:
 - Older people who are not eligible for public and community housing due to having low to moderate wealth, or
 - Older mortgagees on income support payments who are at risk of losing their homes
- **Make homes safe and healthy** for older people by **ensuring all public, community and private rental homes** are climate resilient, and introducing **minimum energy efficiency standards** for rental properties

HELP WHEN IT'S NEEDED

- Invest in **early intervention** to older people at risk of homelessness to navigate the complex housing system, including LGBTIQ+ and CALD communities
- Fund **specialist support services** for older people who can't access **aged care supports and services** due to homelessness or insecure housing

A FAIRER HOUSING SYSTEM

- Implement a **fairer tax system** that recognises **housing as a human right**
- **Harmonise and improve rental and retirement living laws** across Australia
- Make **'affordable housing' truly affordable** by legislating a nationally consistent definition to **cap rents at 30% of income** for people on the lowest incomes ensuring they remain affordable housing in perpetuity

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