

YOUTH HOMELESSNESS MATTERS

ACROSS
AUSTRALIA...

ACROSS AUSTRALIA IN 2022–23,
ALMOST

39,000

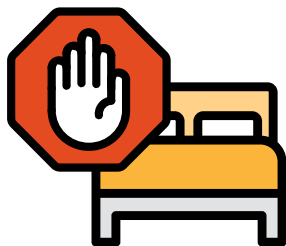
YOUNG PEOPLE (15–24 YEARS)
PRESENTED **ON THEIR OWN** TO
A SPECIALIST HOMELESSNESS
SERVICE (SHS) *



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AROUND **ONE-THIRD**
OF YOUNG PEOPLE
PRESENTING ALONE TO
SHS **IDENTIFIED AS**
INDIGENOUS *

NATIONALLY, **HALF OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE** WHO TRIED TO GET A BED IN A CRISIS REFUGE IN 2022–23 **WERE TURNED AWAY** BECAUSE SERVICES **COULDN'T** ACCOMMODATE THEM *



AROUND **A THIRD OF YOUNG PEOPLE** PRESENTING TO SHS EXPERIENCED **DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE** *



HOUSING CRISIS WAS THE MOST COMMON REASON YOUNG PEOPLE SOUGHT ASSISTANCE FROM AN SHS IN 2022–23 *

ALMOST **ONE-THIRD** OF YOUNG PEOPLE PRESENTING ALONE TO A HOMELESSNESS SERVICE WERE **COUCH SURFING** AT THE START OF THEIR SUPPORT *

COUCH SURFING LEAVES YOUNG PEOPLE VULNERABLE TO SERVITUDE, EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE



THIS YEAR, WE WILL CONTINUE OUR CALL TO THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT TO DEVELOP AND FUND A STANDALONE NATIONAL CHILD AND YOUTH HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING PLAN.

WE URGE THE FEDERAL AND STATE/TERRITORY GOVERNMENTS TO ADEQUATELY FUND THE SOLUTIONS TO END CHILD AND YOUTH HOMELESSNESS.

* Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (2023), Specialist homelessness services annual report 2022–23

Sign and share our petition calling for a standalone National Child and Youth Homelessness and Housing Plan

<https://www.yfoundations.org.au/yhmd-24-petition>

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