

Adoption Records (copies)

1907 –

To access these records: Please contact the CatholicCare Victoria Adoption Information Service:

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Email: adoptions@ccam.org.au

Website: <https://www.ccam.org.au/page/120/adoption-information-service/>

Records Location

These records are held by [CatholicCare Victoria \(2011 - current\)](#)

Details

CatholicCare Victoria holds copies of records of adoptions dating back to 1907 and up to the present day. These adoptions were arranged by St Joseph's Foundling Hospital, St Joseph's Babies' Home, the Catholic Social Services Bureau, the Catholic Family Welfare Bureau, Centacare Catholic Family Services and CatholicCare.

Access Conditions

Records are held in individual client files. Access to records is governed by the Adoption Act 1984.

Records

In evidence given to the Inquiry into responses to historical forced adoption in Victoria, CatholicCare stated that it has an onsite and an offsite archive of about 20,000 records, including '10,000 adoptions in the past, in the 1960s and 1970s, before that' (Victorian Parliament, 2021, p.277).

More info

Organisations in these records

Related Organisations

- [St Joseph's Foundling Hospital \(1901 - 1975\)](#)
CatholicCare holds copies of records of adoptions arranged by the Catholic Family Welfare Bureau from St Joseph's Foundling Hospital in Broadmeadows.
 - [Catholic Family Welfare Bureau \(Archdiocese of Melbourne\) \(1956 - 1998\)](#)
Adoption records (copies) relates to adoptions arranged by the Catholic Family Welfare Bureau.
 - [St Joseph's Babies' Home \(1975 - 1985\)](#)
CatholicCare holds copies of records of adoptions arranged by the Catholic Family Welfare Bureau from St Joseph's Babies Home in Glenroy.
 - [Centacare Catholic Family Services \(1998 - 2011\)](#)
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