

# Endeavour Training Farm

1969 – 1973

**Other Names:** • Riverview

## Details

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The Endeavour Training Farm, situated at Riverview was operated by the Salvation Army. It was previously known as the Training Farm for Boys. Due to a move towards cottage home models of care, Endeavour Training Farm ceased to operate in 1973. The boys were moved to Hillsdale Village for Boys at Mulgowie.

In 1998, former residents of Endeavour Training Farm made submissions to the Commission of Inquiry into Abuse of Children in Queensland Institutions (widely known as the Forde Inquiry). The Committee reported on incidents of unsafe, improper and illegal treatment of children in Queensland institutions, including cases of sexual, physical, emotional and systems abuse. Its findings were detailed and explicit.

In January 2014, the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse commenced a public hearing into response of the Salvation Army (Eastern Territory) to child sexual abuse in children's Homes in Queensland and New South Wales, including the Endeavour Training Farm (Riverview). The evidence to be heard was to have a particular focus to the years 1966-1977.

## Gallery

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**Canaan Training Room, Riverview**



**Entrance to Riverview Farm**

**Description:** The Salvation Army has occupied this site since 1897. The avenue of pines was planted c.1920s.



**Front entrance to original home, Riverview**

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Original buildings, Riverview

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Salvation Army Hall, Riverview

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Bethany, farm manager cottage Riverview

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Entrance drive Riverview

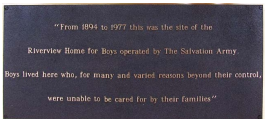
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Plaque on memorial plinth at Riverview

**Description:** This is an image of a memorial plaque at Riverview. The inscription reads: "This monument commemorates the residents of Riverview Girls Home April 1897 to June 1898 and Riverview Boys Home July 1898 to January 1977 'Never to be forgotten' Funded by The Salvation Army Australia and Mayor Paul Pisasale City of Ipswich 14th January 2012"

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Plaque unveiled at Riverview on 21st April 2007

**Description:** The inscription reads: "From 1894 to 1977 this was the site of the Riverview Home for Boys operated by the Salvation Army. Boys lived here who, for many and varied reasons beyond their control, were unable to be cared for by their families."

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# More info

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## Chronology

- Training Farm for Boys (1966 - 1969)
  - Endeavour Training Farm (1969 – 1973)
    - Hillsdale Village for Boys (c. 1973 - c. 1977)

## Related Entries

Run by

- [The Salvation Army Australia Eastern Territory \(1921 - 2018\)](#)

## Resources

- The Salvation Army Australia Eastern Territory, [Submission No. 46 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care: The Salvation Army Australia Southern Territorial Headquarters \(VIC\), Appendix B, Eastern Territory Social Centres, A list of openings, closings and function](#), June 2003
- [Boys home apology is a comfort](#), Queensland Times, 1 September 2009
- Blayse, Lewis, [Riverview Salvation Army Boys' Home \(Or: Unfinished Business\)](#), 14 June 2013
- [Opening Submissions of Counsel Assisting: Case Study 05: The Salvation Army boys' homes, Australian Eastern Territory, January 2014](#), 28 January 2014
- Blayse, Lewis, [Some More Salvation Army Children's Homes \(Or: Ve Gaf Vays Of Making You Afraid\)](#), lewisblayse.net, 12 January 2014
- Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, [Report of Case Study No. 5: Response of The Salvation Army to child sexual abuse at its boys homes in New South Wales and Queensland](#), January 2015

## Records

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For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

### Records held by other organisations

- [Salvation Army Australia, Records of Homes in the former Eastern Territory \(c. 1891 - 1990s\)](#)
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