

Summerhill Family Group Home

c. 1985 – c. 1990

Details

Summerhill Family Group Home, run by the government, opened in the 1980s. It was in West Hobart. The Home provided temporary accommodation to children who were wards of state or supervised in other ways by the Department of Community Welfare. Summerhill closed in about 1990.

A married woman managed Summerhill Family Group Home with the assistance of her husband, who was in paid employment outside the Home. In return, they received free accommodation.

The Home provided accommodation for new wards of the state or children on remand from the courts until the Department found a more permanent placement for them. It also took in children requiring temporary accommodation and in transit between homes. Some children stayed in the Home longer if they got on well with the Family Group Home Carer.

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