

# Department for Community Services, State of Western Australia

1 January 1985 – 1 October 1992

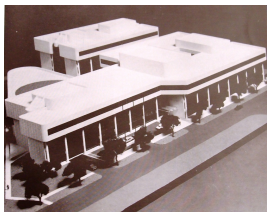
## Details

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The Department for Community Services (DCS) was the new name given on 1 January 1985 to the previous Department for Community Welfare. The DCS continued as the key government organisation responsible for child welfare in Western Australia until 1 October 1992, when it was replaced by the Department for Community Development.

## Gallery

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**Departmental offices, Royal Street, East Perth**

**Description:** 'Departmental offices, Royal Street, East Perth' is a digital copy of an image included (p.7) in the *Annual Report 1987* of the Department for Community Services. The caption reads, 'A model of the Department's new Head Office in East Perth, which will be ready for occupation in July'.

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**Department for Community Services, logo**

**Description:** 'Department for Community Services, logo' is a digital copy of an image included on the front cover of the *Annual Report 1986* and reports from other years.

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## More info

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### Chronology

- Department for Community Welfare, State of Western Australia (1972 - 1985)
  - **Department for Community Services, State of Western Australia (1 January 1985 – 1 October 1992)**
    - Department for Community Development, State of Western Australia (1 October 1992 - 1 July 1995)

### Related Entries

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- [Tudor Lodge \(1952 - 2003\)](#)

- [Derby Hostel \(1956 - 1994\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Riverbank \(1960 - 1996\)](#)
- [Gilliamia Hostel \(1961 - 1990\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1990
- [Charles Perkins Hostel \(1962 - 2000?\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Stuart House \(1963 - 1988?\)](#)
- [Weeriana Hostel \(1964 - current\)](#)
- [Longmore Remand and Assessment Centre \(1965 - 1993?\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Cooinda \(1966 - current\)](#)  
Date: 1987 - 1992
- [Kyewong Hostel \(1967? - 2002?\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Moorgunyah Hostel \(1967 - 1996?\)](#)
- [Nabberu Hostel \(1967? - 1988\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1988
- [Bamburra Hostel \(1970 - current\)](#)
- [Millen Street Hostel \(1970? - 1995?\)](#)
- [Gwynne Lea \(1970 - 1997?\)](#)
- [Nyandi \(1970 - 1997\)](#)
- [Oceanview \(1970 - 1995?\)](#)
- [Oolanyah Hostel \(1970? - 1993?\)](#)
- [Ardross House \(1971 - 2004?\)](#)  
Date: 1987 - 1992
- [Bedford Hostel \(1971 - 27 February 2009\)](#)
- [McCall Centre \(1971 - 2005?\)](#)
- [Innaminka Hostel, Greenmount \(1972? - 2004?\)](#)  
Date: 1987 - 1992
- [Warramia Group Home \(1972 - 2004?\)](#)
- [Myera House \(1973 - 2005?\)](#)
- [Warralea \(1973 - 1986\)](#)
- [Wollaston \(1973 - 1995?\)](#)
- [Canowindra \(1974? - 2013?\)](#)
- [Fitzroy Crossing Group Homes \(1976 - 1987?\)](#)
- [Kalgoorlie Hostel \(1976 - 1993?\)](#)
- [Karingal \(Nyandi Annexe\) \(1976 - 1989?\)](#)
- [Kewdale House \(1976? - 2011?\)](#)
- [Albany Group Home \(1978? - current\)](#)
- [South Hedland Group Home \(1979 - 2000?\)](#)
- [Goldfields Group Home \(1980? - 1987?\)](#)
- [Northam Group Home \(1980 - 2005?\)](#)
- [Westview \(1981 - current\)](#)
- [Darlot Street Hostel, Meekatharra \(1981? - 1987?\)](#)
- [Doubleview Group Home \(1983 - 1990s\)](#)
- [Longmore Training Centre \(1983 - 1993\)](#)
- [Meekatharra Hostel \(1983? - 2005?\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project \(1983 - current\)](#)  
The Department for Community Services was responsible for overseeing the programs run at Chesterfield House, Rockingham Youth External Accommodation Project.  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Medina Hostel \(1983 - 1990?\)](#)
- [Laverton Hostel \(1984 - 1994\)](#)
- [Warminda \(1984 - 1993?\)](#)

- [Collier House \(1985 - 1993?\)](#)  
Date: 1985 - 1992?
- [Kalgoorlie Group Home \(1987 - current\)](#)
- [Gilmore House Group Home \(1988 - 2005?\)](#)

### Related Events

- [Child Abuse Review Panel, Western Australia \(May 1984 - July 1985\)](#)  
The Department for Community Services was represented on the Child Abuse Review Panel.
- [Child Sexual Abuse Task Force, Western Australia \(June 1986 - December 1987\)](#)  
The Department for Community Services was represented on the Child Sexual Abuse Task Force.

### Related Organisations

- [Ngal-a Mothercraft Home and Training Centre Inc \(1956 - 1989\)](#)  
The Department for Community Services placed young children under the age of six years at Ngal-a Mothercraft Home and Training Centre Inc.  
Date: 1985 - 1989
- [Fairhaven Hostel \(1965 - 1987\)](#)  
The Chief Executive Officer of the Department for Community Services was the guardian of any children at Fairhaven Hostel who were deemed to be 'wards of the State'.  
Date: 1985 - 1987
- [Gnowangerup Agricultural College \(1966 - 2005\)](#)  
The Department for Community Services placed teenagers at the Gnowangerup Agricultural College (or School).
- [Yokine Cottage \(1972 - 1988\)](#)  
Yokine Cottage may have operated under a service agreement between the Department for Community Services and Mofflyn Child and Family Care Services.  
Date: 1985 - 1988
- [Koorana \(1974 - 1987\)](#)
- [Consultative Committee on Residential Child Care \[and Interim Committee\] \(28 January 1977 - 1993\)](#)  
The Consultative Committee on Residential Child Care reviewed and evaluated residential child care facilities that were subsidised by the Department for Community Services.  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Koolingar-Mia Group Home, Collie \(1978 - 1992\)](#)  
Department for Community Services, State of Western Australia managed Koolingar-Mia Group Home, Collie jointly with the Collie Welfare Council.  
Date: 1985 - 1992
- [Case Review Board \(1988 - 2006\)](#)  
The Case Review Board provided advice to the Director General of the Department for Community Services.
- [Adoption Services, Child Protection and Family Support \(1994? - current\)](#)  
Past Adoption Information and Services can assist people who are looking for information about adoptions arranged by the Department for Community Services.

### Related Legislation

- [Adoption of Children Amendment Act 1985, Western Australia \(1986 - 1995\)](#)

## Resources

- Western Australia. Department for Community Services, *Annual Report: Department for Community Services, Western Australia*, 1985 - 1992
- [Western Australian Government Gazette No.127](#), Western Australian Government Gazette Online Archive, 24 October 1986
- Department for Community Development, State of Western Australia, [Submission No 55 to the Senate Inquiry into Children in Institutional Care](#), July 2003

## Records

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## Records held by other organisations

- [Records of the Department of Child Protection and Family Support, and predecessors \(1894 - current\)](#)
- [Client Files, Child Protection and Family Support \[and its predecessors\] \(1921 - current\)](#)
- [Family Information Research System \(1921 - current\)](#)
- [Files - Community Welfare \("A" Series\), State Records Office of Western Australia \(25 August 1908 - 23 December 1990\)](#)

Files created by the Department for Community Services are held in this series at the State Records Office of WA.

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