

# United Aborigines Mission, Records of activities in Western Australia

1929? - 1977?

To access these records:

These are the most recent contact details provided by UAM Ministries. In February 2020, it is unknown whether this inbox is still being monitored by UAM.

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In 2022, the Find & Connect web resource was advised by Sharrock Pitman lawyers that the following address was now the only contact information for UAM Ministries:

PO Box 172 Vermont, Victoria, 3133.

**Records Location** 

These records are held by United Aborigines Mission (1929 - 2020)

## **Details**

United Aborigines Mission, Records of activities in Western Australia is a collection held by UAM Archives.

#### Update on the records of the United Aborigines Mission, July 2022

The Find & Connect web resource contains descriptions of records known to have been held by the United Aborigines Mission. These descriptions have been compiled from publicly available sources, such as the publications *Finding your own way* (2005) and *Connecting Kin* (1998). The UAM provided access to the records to researchers during the Mullighan Inquiry in South Australia (2004-2008), who recorded details about the contents of UAM's collection.

Former residents of institutions run by UAM have advised the Find & Connect web resource that since the end of 2018, it has not been possible to get access to UAM records, or to get in contact with representatives of UAM.

In October 2019, Sharrock Pitman Legal Pty Ltd, a legal firm based in Melbourne, advised the Find & Connect web resource that the United Aborigines Mission and UAM Ministries were in the process of being wound up.

As of December 2021, UAM Ministries's registration status with the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission is "voluntarily revoked", "no longer operating".

Research and consultation by the Find & Connect web resource team and other stakeholders has been unable to establish the current whereabouts of the records, which were last known to be located in Williamstown, Victoria.

This is a distressing situation for former residents of UAM institutions and for their family members. Support is available from organisations such as Link Up and the Find & Connect support services.

If you can provide any further information please contact the Find & Connect web resource. We will update this website should any new information come to light.

Please direct any inquiries about records access to Sharrock Pitman lawyers, who advised the South Australian Attorney-General in July 2021 that copies of relevant records they hold can be provided to survivors if a formal request is made in writing.

# More info

## Organisations in these records

### **Related Organisations**

- Australian Aborigines' Mission (c. 1894 1929)
- Sunday Island Mission (1899 1934)
- Mount Margaret Mission (1921 1975)
- Gnowangerup Mission (1926 1973)
- Warburton Mission (1933 1977)
- Wotjulum (1934 1937)
- Sunday Island Mission (1937 1964)
- Fitzroy Crossing Mission (1952 1987)
- Cosmo Newbery Mission (1953 1973?)
- Derby Hostel (1956 1994)
- Fitzroy Crossing Hostel (1956? 1976)
- United Aborigines Mission, Halls Creek (1957 1967)

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