

Records relating to child care, Somerville Homes, Darwin

1964 – 1979

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Records Location

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Details

Records relating to child care, Somerville Homes, Darwin is a series of files concerning the administration of Somerville Cottage Homes which was run by the United Church, Northern Synod. The files mention the names and addresses of the various cottages and sometimes the names of cottage parents. Some files include information about, and names of, children in the Homes.

Access Conditions

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the NTAS Mission Records Information leaflet.

When permission has been granted, the Uniting Church will inform you and NTAS. You can then contact NTAS to arrange a time to visit the search room and view the records.

Records

The files in this series, Records relating to child care, Somerville Homes, Darwin, include minutes of meetings of the Somerville Homes Council, incoming and outgoing correspondence (particularly with the Welfare Branch), financial records, building records, reports and other documents. Some files include reports on particular children in the Homes, and/or lists of children. For example one file relates to arrangements for holiday hosting of children interstate in 1969-70. Also among the files are articles, reports, newsletters and copies of forms and information about other Homes interstate.

More info

Organisations in these records

Related Organisations

- [Somerville Homes \(1965 - 1981\)](#)
- [Somerville Cottage Homes \(1968 - 1980s\)](#)
- [Trower Road Cottage, Somerville Homes Inc \(1969 - 1976\)](#)
- [Chapman Road Cottage \(1969 - 1976\)](#)
- [Henry Street Cottage, Somerville Homes Inc \(1969 - 1981\)](#)
- [Tambling House \(1970? - 1975\)](#)
- [Luxton Street Cottage, Somerville Homes Inc \(1971 - 1981\)](#)
- [Clarke Crescent Cottage, Somerville Homes Inc \(1971 - 1981\)](#)
- [Fox Crescent Cottage \(1972 - 1974\)](#)
- [Tambling House Family Home \(1976 - 1978\)](#)
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