

# General Administration Files, Annual Single number series with “N” prefix, Department of Community Development

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**Records Location**

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## Details

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This series of administration files includes files related to a number of Homes run by the Department of Community Development. The ‘N’ prefix identified this series as relating to the Northern Region. Files deal with many subjects such as general welfare, foster care, adoption, emergency care, child care and residential care. Some relate to specific organisations or institutions including Somerville Homes, the Darwin Youth Refuge, Harney Family Home, Malak House Juvenile Detention Centre and Giles House Juvenile Detention and Training Centre.

## Access Conditions

Most government records in the Northern Territory are open for research 30 years after the end of the year in which the records were created. Some records, however, are subject to restrictions due to their sensitive or confidential nature. This is the case with many records related to children under the care of the government. These records are restricted for 100 years from the date of their creation.

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is done on a case by case basis. Please contact the Archives for assistance and further information about how to apply for access to closed records. A number of Fact Sheets for researchers are also available on the Archives website.

## Finding Aids

The files in this series were indexed during 2011-2014. The kind of information collected in each index includes: client name (including aliases and nicknames), date of birth, birth parent names, names of foster and/or adoptive parents, sibling names, names and locations of other institutions (Northern Territory or interstate – non government or church organisation, and other state welfare institutions or hospitals), other file numbers or references, and whether there are photographs on file.

## More info

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### Organisations in these records

#### Related Organisations

- [Somerville Cottage Homes \(1968 - 1980s\)](#)
- [Harney Family Home \(1968 - 1985\)](#)
- [Giles House Juvenile Detention and Training Centre \(1978 - 1991\)](#)
- [Darwin Youth Refuge \(1978 - 1980s\)](#)
- [Bunyip House \(1981 - 1984?\)](#)
- [Malak House Juvenile Detention Centre \(1987 - 1991\)](#)

## Records

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### Related Contact Details

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