

MISSION TO THE STREETS & LANES



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As requested.

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OUTLINE HISTORY

- 1885
March Bishop Moorhouse called meeting of city clergy,
Canon Handfield (St Peter's) Canon Bromby
(St Paul's), Canon Chase (St James'), to consider
formation of diocesan Mission to minister to those
in need within the City of Melbourne.
- At a public meeting soon after, an influential
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- 1911 "Ellerslie" the grand home of Mrs Hughes of Cotham Rd, Kew, gifted to Mission as a rest home for the sisters.
- 1912 Archbishop Clarke granted charter to "Community of Holy Name".
- 1912 "Ellerslie" modified to become St Georges Hospital.
- 1912 St Georges Hospital opened.
- 1913 Mission house - Spring Street opened.
- 1917 Brighton Babies home opened.
- 1917 St Ives Private Hospital, Val St, East Melbourne leased from Dr Morton.
- 1921 St Johns School closed.
- 1922 Lease of St Ives transferred to Emma Silcock following criticism that the Mission should not be nursing the 'well to do'
- 1925 New Midwifery block opened at St Georges Hospital.
- 1927 Babies Home, Darling St, Malvern opened.
- 1927 Babies Home at Brighton converted to a hostel for the employed girls at the childrens home.
- 1936 Community House, Cheltenham opened.
- 1937 Rebuilt St George's Hospital opened.
- 1940 Community House Chapel, Cheltenham opened.
- 1946 House of Mercy property made available as Retreat House.
- 1949 St George's Hospital sold to the Victorian Government.
- 1950 Ellerslie, a home for the elderly, opened in Harcourt St, Hawthorn.
- 1954 New Buildings at Darling Babies Home completed.
- 1954 St Ives' Hospital closed, sold to the Alfred Hospital for use as nurses quarters.
- 1957 Mission House, Fitzroy St, opened.
- 1957 Completion of renovations to Brighton Childrens Home complex.

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- 1967 Family Centre experiement commenced at Brighton.
- 1967 Brighton Family Centre opened.
- 1967 Darling Babies Home closed, transfer of young children to Brighton Childrens Home.
- 1969 Report by Catherine King on:
 - a) Structure and Policy
 - b) Existing and proposed services.
- 1970 Appointment of Chief Executive Officer.
- 1970 Mission took over auspice of Moira.
- 1972 Present Mission House opened.
- 1973 Glenroy Family Support Work commenced.
- 1974 Opening of Unit 64, Brighton.
- 1978 Opening of North East Foster Care.
- 1982 Commencement of North West Foster Care.
- 1985 Southbridge Program commenced.
- 1986 Ellerslie residence transferred to Anglican Homes - Ellerslie sold.
- 1986 Sale of Brighton Children's Home.
- 1987 Broadmeadow's Youth Support Programme commenced.
- 1987 New premises at Bentleigh opened for Southbridge Adolescent Services.
- 1988 Relocation of Broadmeadows Family Services.
- 1988 Moira transferred to independent auspice.
- 1989 Launch of Napier Project.
- 1990 Transfer of South East Foster Care to Mission to Streets and Lanes.
- 1990 Transfer of Brighton Family Services to Oakleigh, re named Atherton Family Centre.
- 1991 North East Foster Care transfer of auspice to Sutherland Homes.