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Peak Body for Housing and Homelessness

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Housing and Homelessness News

Training Opportunities through Shelter Tas

Shelter Tasmania and Singleton Consulting & Training are offering nationally accredited training units which have been subsidised by Skills Tasmania (participants are only required to pay 20% of the unit fee). These units provide an opportunity to develop & upskill, and can be studied individually, or used toward a Diploma of Management. As these units are nationally accredited, a statement of attainment will be issued for those who successfully complete the course and their assessments. Units available are:

- Ensure team effectiveness
- Show leadership in the workplace
- Manage people performance
- Develop and manage performance
- Support the recruitment, selection and induction of staff
- Manage workforce planning.

For more details on course content and registration go to the [Singleton Consulting website](#).

Sleeping out for the Salvos 2014

The Salvation Army's annual fundraiser, Sleeping Out for the Salvos is fast approaching – the target for 2014 is \$100,000 and all funds raised remain in Tasmania to provide a primary homelessness care-worker in the greater Hobart area and other Salvation Army services around Tasmania that support those who are, or are at risk of becoming homeless. The [website](#) has now been launched, and all fundraising can be directed to the website, via email, Facebook or Twitter.

Sleeping out for the Salvos will be held in the forecourt of Hobart Grand Chancellor Hotel on the 14th August 7pm - 7am. For enquiries about fundraising and sleeping out, contact Peter Atkinson on 6228 8413 or 0422 230 280 or peter.atkinson@aus.salvationarmy.org. **Save the date for this worthwhile cause!**

News from Community Housing Ltd

Community Housing Ltd (CHL) has taken over tenancy management of properties in Launceston from Housing Tasmania. This transfer of housing stock comes under the Better Housing *Futures* model. As part of their management, CHL will also provide training and employment opportunities, opportunities to apply for new housing and access to community development activities such as community gardens and youth services. Tenants can call 6344 6825 to find out more about what the program means for them. Go to the *Media Releases* section of this eNews to read more.

Senate Inquiry into Affordable Housing - Update

On 12th December 2013, the Senate referred an inquiry into affordable housing to the Senate Economics References Committee for inquiry and report by 26th June 2014. The Senate inquiry into

affordable housing has since received an extension and now will not be reporting until November 2014. [Click here](#) for more information.

Factoid of the Week | Mortgages

Before 2003-4, more Australian households owned their homes outright than had a mortgage; since 2003-4, more households have had a mortgage than own their homes outright.

NATSEM (National Centre for Social and Economic Modelling 2011. The great Australian dream – just a dream? Housing affordability trends for Australia and our largest 25 cities. Canberra: NATSEM.

Media Releases

Common Ground meeting community need

Common Ground Tasmania, Tuesday 8th July 2014. [Click here](#). See also the related article 'Homeless helpers hit back at critics' printed in the July 9th edition of The Mercury.

CHL all set to manage Tasmanian social housing

Community Housing Ltd, Monday 14th July. [Click here](#).

National homelessness agreement on track

Minister for Social Services, Tuesday 8th July 2014. [Click here](#).

Research and Articles

Australian Policy Online – Eight housing affordability myths

[This report](#) argues that there are eight highly persistent myths about the nature of housing markets in Australia, and seeks to tackle them.

AHURI Positioning Paper – Cost effectiveness and tenant outcomes in social housing

[This research project](#) will explore the cost of social housing management and its effectiveness for tenants. It will inform the modernisation of the social housing national performance assessment framework and consider how different public and community housing providers compare in terms of housing management inputs, services provided and tenant outcomes.

AHURI Evidence Review #59 – Secure rental tenancies help children

In 2011–12, 34% of households renting in the private market had dependent children. Low levels of tenancy security means these children are vulnerable to having less favourable prospects than children whose parents own or are buying their home. [Click here](#) to read more.

Australian Policy Online – Progressing tenancy management reform in remote indigenous communities

Housing reforms in remote Indigenous communities have resulted in a variety of tenancy management arrangements involving state, community and private housing sectors. [This project](#) identified different models of tenancy management, considered their housing outcomes, and shared the policy and practice lessons across jurisdictions.

Conferences/Forums/Training

Housing Connect Information Forum

Housing Connect is the doorway for accessing Tasmania's housing and homelessness services. Housing Connect regional forums and lunch will be held to inform and involve local service providers and seek expressions of interest for a Regional Reference Group that will address local housing and homelessness issues.

South

Friday 1st August

July

11.00am – 1.30pm

1.30pm

Glenorchy Civic Centre, Terry Martin

Room

TBA

Burnie

RSVP 25th July

July

Lunch will be provided, please RSVP to k.fitzallen@anglicare-tas.org.au for catering purposes.

North

Tuesday 29th

Wednesday 23rd July

11.00am –

11.00am – 1.30pm

69 Mount St,

RSVP 22nd

RSVP 16th July

AHURI Event – Ageing well: housing solutions for older Australians

The Australian population is ageing and as they get older their housing needs are changing. At the same time, there is a shortage of housing and a broad expectation that older residents downsizing will help to partially resolve this issue. However, obstacles such as the impact selling-up will have on the Aged Pension is impacting the number of homes being sold. This AHURI event will shine the spotlight on the crucial issue of housing older Australians.

This event will give you the opportunity to join the discussion about how to deliver enough appropriate housing for older people that is liveable, accessible, energy efficient and in the right location close to family, friends and infrastructure. It will also look at how older people could be incentivised rather than penalised for downsizing.

When: Thursday 24th July 2014

Where: Hobart Function and Conference Centre

Time: 8.45am – 12.30pm

Cost: \$90.00 ex GST

RSVP: [Click here](#) to register for this event.

Not-for-Profit Leadership Series - Adaptive Leadership for Organisational Change

This workshop will bring together the practices of adaptive leadership and change management to assist organisations address the massive changes which are impacting on the sector. This workshop will be a hands on experience for participants who will plan and reflect on a specific change effort within their own organisations.

When

Burnie

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Monday 18th August 2014

Wellers Inn

36 Queen Street, Burnie

Registration

[Click here for Burnie](#)

When:

Launceston

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Tuesday 19th August 2014

The Tramsheds

Inveresk Rail Yards

Registration

[Click here for Launceston](#)

When:

Hobart

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Thursday 21st August 2014

Glenorchy Civic Centre

Cooper Street, Glenorchy

Registration

[Click here for Hobart](#)

For more information, contact Dale Rahmanovic on (03) 6231 0755 or dale@tascoss.org.au

Other News

Position Vacant – ATDC PPEI Project Officer

The Alcohol, Tobacco and other Drugs Council (Tas) Inc. (ATDC) is the peak body representing the interests of community sector organisations that provide services to people with substance misuse issues in Tasmania. The ATDC is looking for a suitably skilled person to fill the position of Promotion, Prevention and Early Intervention (PPEI) Project Officer. The Project Officer will support the implementation of *Everybody's Business: A Strategic Framework for Implementing Promotion, Prevention and Early Intervention*, by developing and maintaining relationships with key stakeholders, analysing key issues and trends, supporting project governance arrangements and compiling meeting documentation.

This position is part-time and located at the ATDC premises in Hobart. Remuneration is based on the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010, Level 6, with above award salary and conditions including access to salary packaging. Applications addressing the selection criteria plus your resume should be submitted by email no later than **5pm Friday 25 July 2014** to David Gardiner, A/Chief Executive Officer. Email: davidg@atdc.org.au. To obtain a copy of the position description visit the ATDC website www.atdc.org.au or telephone (03) 6231 5002.

Learning Hub Now Available

The Learning Hub is a portal designed to give users access to resources to build and enable statistical capability. The Learning Hub's categories are based on the [Statistical Capability Framework](#), which outlines the key dimensions of statistical capability. There are a range of resources within each category to cater to a variety of statistical learning needs. Resources are drawn from various sources including the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), other national statistical organisations, government agencies and education providers. The Learning Hub is located on the National Statistical Service [website](#) (follow the Learning Hub link).

TasCOSS Call for Papers

TasCOSS is holding its next state conference on **13th-14th November 2014** in Hobart. They are seeking proposals for conference presentations and panel sessions relating to this year's conference theme, "Navigating a changing environment". TasCOSS is seeking conference presentations and activities that will stimulate discussion, offer creative approaches and different perspectives, and inform understanding of the state of social equity in Tasmania and the nation.

Deadline for submissions is **COB Monday 4th August**. For inquiries, phone Gabrielle Rish on (03) 6231 0755 or email gabrielle@tascoss.org.au or go to the [TasCOSS website](#) for information and proposal submission forms.