

George Town City Council
16-18 Anne Street
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Attention: Honourable Greg Kieser

26 April 2021

Honourable Greg Kieser,

RE: Community Housing Growth Program – Additional Funding

I refer to the attached letter from the Tasmanian Government relating the Community Housing Growth Program and an invitation to submit project proposals to deliver up to 85 additional new social housing dwellings, in areas of unmet demand.

As a region identified as having unmet demand, Centacare Evolve Housing would welcome the opportunity to work with you under this program to find ways to develop under utilised council owned land into properties that deliver a benefit for those in your community who are unable to access safe and secure accommodation. As the attached letter would suggest, the Director has currently exhausted developable land holdings and is unable to supply vacant land resources which means that partnership between Community Housing Providers and Councils are paramount in achieving social housing outcomes.

Centacare Evolve Housing is the leading provider among the Community Housing Providers (CHPs) in Tasmania, we have approximately 200 dwellings under construction and over 700 dwellings in the pipeline. In addition to this, we also own and/or manage over 2000 dwellings throughout Tasmania. We have a highly competent management team focused solely on the provision of affordable housing which is supported by Tasmania's leading building companies and related specialists.

We would be very pleased to meet with you to discuss your interest in partnering with Centacare Evolve Housing in relation to this, with a view to achieving a mutually acceptable arrangement that is transparent, socially and commercially responsible, and capable of increasing the supply of affordable housing within your community.

We look forward to your response in due course.

Yours Sincerely,



Ben Wilson
CEO
Centacare Evolve Housing

