Youth Homelessness

What does it look like and what to do if someone presents?

Young people who are experiencing homelessness are:



Couch Surfing



Living in 'severely' crowded dwellings



Live in supported accommodation

26%

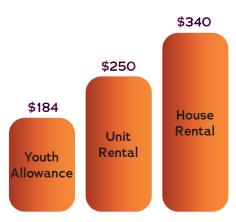
of people experiencing homelessness in Victoria are aged between 12 and 24 years

Family violence is the most commonly cited experience by young people seeking homelessness support.

Please turn over for useful contacts

- People moving to the area post COVID has created an increased demand on available housing and housing prices, young people have little chance in getting into the market.
- Wangaratta has no Youth Refuge. There are only Refuges in Wodonga, Albury or Shepparton for 16 – 17 year olds.
- Wangaratta has
 little supported
 accommodation while
 young people study –
 Youth Foyers exist in
 Shepparton or Melbourne.
- Wangaratta has no supported accommodation for young parents.

Rentals in Wangaratta are at their lowest vacancy ever.



Youth allowance = \$184 a week for rent. Wangaratta weekly advertised median rent is \$340 a week for a house and \$250 for a unit *sourced from CoreLogic RP Data

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Statistics used from https://www.yacvic.org.au/get-involved/youth-homelessness/





WHO TO CALL

Homeless or at risk of homelessness

Material Aid

Beyond Housing: (03) 5722 8000

Monday - Friday | 9am - 5pm

St Kilda After Hours Crisis Line: 1800 825 955

After 5pm, 7 days a week

NESAY: (03) 5720 2201

Monday - Friday | 9am - 5pm

Anglicare: (03) 5723 7900

Monday - Friday | 9am - 5pm

St Vincents: (03) 5722 4959

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If you are experiencing family violence call 1800 015 188 for the 24 hour State-wide Support and Intervention service. If you are unable to call the crisis line, you can email wdvcs@wdvcs.org.au.

For emotional support 24 hours a day, call lifeline on 13 11 14.





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