

Church of England Homes

c. 1884 – 1984

Details

Church of England Homes was an agency of the Sydney Anglican Diocese that ran children's homes in Sydney and the Blue Mountains. It was created around 1884 by Reverend TB Tress and Reverend Dr Manning, in Woolloomooloo, and grew to take in several committees that had operated in the Sydney area.

Church of England Homes is not to be confused with Church of England Homes Burwood, which ran the Bishop Wigg Memorial Home.

In 1884 Reverend TB Tress and Reverend Dr Manning established a children's home in Woolloomooloo, which grew rapidly. New premises were acquired at Paddington, followed by four homes at Glebe Point.

In 1914 'Minden' at Carlingford was purchased as a country home for girls. However, there was a high demand for places for boys, so the home, later called 'Strathmore', was converted for that purpose. In 1920 the Tress-Manning Home was built to house boys. Girls were sent to Glebe.

At the beginning of 1925 a 'Big Forward Movement' was launched, with the aim of establishing boys' homes and transferring the girls to Carlingford. On 14 April 1928 boys went into residence on the new site at Carlingford. Girls were then sent to Strathmore and Tress-Manning. In September 1929 McGarvey Home, for girls, was officially opened. Carlingford was now the base for the homes.

The following year, 1930, the Homes and Hostels Committee of the Church of England and the Church of England Homes Committee merged, with the result that Havilah Homes for Little Children became part of Church of England Homes. In 1950 Havilah moved to Carlingford. On 21 June 1958 Lady Woodward opened additions to Havilah.

By 1959, the 75th anniversary of Church of England Homes, 288 children were in the care of the committee. Havilah held 32 children aged from two to six. At that time, there were 134 boys and 72 girls in care with Church of England Homes.

The girls' homes were:

- McGarvey Home
- Tress-Manning Home
- Molly Trigg Home
- TA Field Home
- 220 Pennant Hills Road

The boys' homes were:

- Buckland Home
- Trigg Home
- Vickery Home

- Broad Home
- Spurway Home

Children attended the local primary, secondary and agricultural schools at Carlingford: girls at Macquarie High and boys at Macarthur. Toc H, the Boys' Brigade and the Life Boy Movement were all part of life in the homes.

Church of England Homes was replaced by Care Force in 1984, becoming part of the Anglican Home Mission Society.

More info

Chronology

- **Church of England Homes (c. 1884 – 1984)**
 - Care Force (1984 - 1997)
 - Anglicare Child and Family Services (1997 - 2008)
 - Anglicare Out-of-Home Care Services (2008 - current)

Related Entries

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- [Quipolli Children's Home \(1926 - 1936\)](#)
- [Tress-Manning Home \(1920 - c. 1970\)](#)
- [Church Rescue Home \(1885 - 1923\)](#)
- [Church of England Boys' Home \(1918 - 1976\)](#)
- [Church of England Girls' Home, Carlingford \(1928 - 1976\)](#)
- [Havilah Little Children's Home \(1918 - 1976\)](#)

Church of England Homes took over the management of Havilah Little Children's Home from the Home Mission Society in 1930.

Date: 1930 - 1980

- [Cornwell Group Home \(1980s - 1990s\)](#)
- [Orana Group Home \(1970 - 1977\)](#)
- [Kingsleigh Group Home - Blacktown \(1978 - 2000\)](#)
- [Crecy Group Home \(1969 - 1978\)](#)
- [Buckland Group Home \(1978 - 1992\)](#)
- [Tress Manning Temporary Care \(c. 1970 - c. 1990\)](#)
- [Field Cottage \(c. 1970 - c. 1990\)](#)
- [Marella Aboriginal Temporary Care \(1979 - 2000\)](#)
- [Carlingford Children's Home \(1914 - 1920\)](#)
- [Warravillah Seaside Holiday Home for Girls \(1965 - 1968\)](#)
- [Terrigal Holiday Home \(1942 - current\)](#)
- [Church of England Training Home for Girls \(1909 - 1929\)](#)
- [Church of England Home for Girls \(1904 - 1929\)](#)
- [Strathmore Girls' Home \(1923 - 1929\)](#)

Related Organisations

- [Home Mission Society of the Anglican Diocese of Sydney \(1857 - 1997\)](#)
- [Anglican Diocese of Sydney \(1788 - current\)](#)

Church of England Homes were financially supported by the Anglican Diocese of Sydney

- [New South Wales Protestant Federation Children's Home \(1921 - 1980\)](#)

In 1980, at the closure of the Protestant Federation Children's Home, Church of England Homes relocated the girls and took custody of the home's records.

Date: 1980 - 1980

- [Trigg Hostel \(1979 - 1997\)](#)

- [Cooinoo Home for Destitute Children \(1924 - 1971\)](#)

After Cooinoo Home for Destitute Children closed, its assets were transferred to the Church of England Homes.

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Records

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- [Correspondence files, single number series with 'B' \[Child Endowment\] prefix \(1904 - 1974\)](#)
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